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### PROJECT UPDATE

By Jackie Bremner, Project Director

During recent months, work to develop a design that meets our clinical brief (requirements) and is deliverable within the available funds has been ongoing in partnership with the Principal Supply Chain Partner (PSCP), design team, the NHS Grampian Project Team and clinical colleagues. This work took longer than originally planned due to a number of challenges, common with large complex developments, especially on a busy acute hospital campus. This work is now complete, however, and as a result the Outline Business Case is currently going through the approval process within NHS Grampian and thereafter the Scottish

Government. We hope approval will be achieved during March 2018 when we will be able to start the detailed design process in earnest.

Assuming approval of the Outline Business Case in March, construction of The Baird Family Hospital and The ANCHOR Centre is scheduled to commence in the spring of 2019. Before that we hope to undertake a series of enabling works, including the demolition of the Breast Screening Centre, Foresterhill Health Centre and the Eye Clinic, road realignment works and service diversions. The services in the buildings to be demolished are all moving to new

accommodation during the first half of this year to allow the sites to be cleared in advance of construction commencement. We plan to cover each of these service moves in articles in this and future editions of our Newsletter.

Over the coming months the focus of the project team, involving clinical staff, managers, Third Sector representatives and public representatives, will be to work with the design team and the PSCP to develop the detailed designs for both buildings and to put together detailed plans

for the construction phase of this major development. In the meantime, I have included below a few artist's impressions of the emerging plans for both buildings to give you a feel for how they will look and their impact on the ever-changing Foresterhill Health Campus.

Work to make sure that we keep our stakeholders (public and staff) up to date with progress continues. A series of about 90 staff and public awareness sessions is now nearing completion with another series being planned for later in 2018.

The Baird Family Hospital from Foresterhill Road (top) and Westburn Road junction (bottom)



The ANCHOR Centre attached to the Radiotherapy Centre (top) and from Westburn Road site entrance



## FORESTERHILL HEALTH CENTRE BUILD NEARS COMPLETION

By Clare Houston, Project Manager

As reported in the June 2017 edition of this newsletter, construction work is progressing well on the new Foresterhill Health Centre. Construction commenced in December 2016 on this £7.6 million hubCo-funded facility. It is due for completion around March 2018.

Regular meetings are being held with the Construction Site Team in order to enable us to communicate with patients in the next

few weeks with the opening date of the new Foresterhill Health Centre.

Significant work is being carried out with the service users around the procurement of equipment and getting the services ready to move into their new building.

The photos below detail the significant process that has taken place both internally and externally.



Regular updates are for are available both on the NHS Grampian Website and our dedicated Facebook Page:

<http://www.nhsgrampian.co.uk/nhsgrampian/InvolvingYou>

<https://www.facebook.com/ForesterhillHealthCentre/>

## THE BREAST SCREENING CENTRE MOVE INTO ARI PURPLE ZONE By Gerald Lip, Clinical Director



Some of the long-serving members of the Breast Screening Team

Staff old and new of the North East of Scotland Breast Screening Centre gathered to say goodbye to the current centre as they prepared for their move to the Interim Breast Screening Centre located in the former ward 407/408 in the Purple Zone in the main Aberdeen Royal Infirmary building. This is to make way for the development of The Baird Family Hospital which will be the ultimate home, once built, for all Breast Screening, Symptomatic and Surgical

services.

Screening Services will restart at the beginning of February at the Interim Centre and patients will receive maps and directions in their invitation letters. Signposting in the main hospital will also be updated to reflect the location of the Interim Centre. Screening on the mobile units continues during the period of this move.

We have great memories of our time in the centre and of staff, colleagues and patients who have stepped through these doors over the years but we look forward to moving back to this site in future in the our integrated breast imaging services centre in The Baird Family Hospital.

## PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

By Anna Rist, Public Involvement Officer

The Project Team has continued their engagement with Third Sector organisations with a stake in the project.



On 6 October 2017, the team attended the Friends of ANCHOR Appreciation Afternoon with an ANCHOR Centre information stand. On 18 November 2017, we attended the Friends of the Special Nursery World Prematurity Day Family Meet-up with a Baird Family Hospital display. Both events gave us opportunities to engage with service users, give them information about the project and get their views on the emerging designs.



A Communication and Involvement stocktake and future vision workshop using the Appreciative Inquiry method was held for The Baird Family Hospital on 30 November 2017. As the project enters its fourth year, it was felt timely to go back to staff, Third Sector and public representatives to find out where the project's communication and involvement successes are, and what could be improved. The workshop generated many great ideas that the Project Team will pursue further. However, we also felt reassured that the approach we have taken so far is being supported by stakeholders and will continue to be built upon going forwards. A similar workshop is planned for The ANCHOR Centre in spring 2018.

## Other News

### Coming up

#### **Project Update to Shetland via Video Conferencing**

We are delighted to have been asked to present a project update to our Shetland stakeholders via VC, kindly hosted by the Scottish Health Council local office. This free presentation precedes our team's visit to Shetland later in the spring and is open to anyone with an interest in the project. A similar presentation is also being planned for Orkney.

**Date: Thursday 1 March 2018**

**Time: 1:30-2:30pm**

**Venue: Bressay Room, NHS Shetland Headquarters, Montfield**

Please contact the Scottish Health Council local office in Shetland ([shetland@scottishhealthcouncil.org](mailto:shetland@scottishhealthcouncil.org)) for more information and to book a place.

#### **Staff Drop-in Session at Summerfield House**

Please come along to a drop-in session for all NHS staff held at Summerfield House canteen to view the emerging plans for Baird and ANCHOR and to speak to our team!

**Date: Thursday 8 March 2018**

**Time: 9:30am – 12noon**

**Venue: Summerfield House Canteen**

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**Dedicated project website also available at [www.bairdanchor.org](http://www.bairdanchor.org)**

## RUMOUR HAS IT!

In all big projects, there can sometimes be misinformation about project facts. Some of these rumours take on a life of their own. This section in our newsletter tries to respond to the rumour mill, at least the ones the Project Team hears about!

### Heard on the grapevine...

- **The new Foresterhill Health Centre is actually The Baird Family Hospital.**

The Project Team have heard that there is confusion about building work currently underway on the Foresterhill Health Campus and forthcoming construction related to the Baird and ANCHOR Project. The building nearing completion on the link road around the main car park to the west of the site is the **new Foresterhill Health Centre** (for more information, please refer to the article on page 3 of this newsletter). This building will be finished and operational by around March this year and will allow the existing Health Centre (adjacent to the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital) to be demolished. Construction of the Baird and ANCHOR buildings are not programmed to start until spring 2019.

- **Rumours abound that some core clinical services will no longer be accommodated in the new buildings!**

The project can confirm that there are no changes to the services planned to be in The Baird Family Hospital (Maternity, Reproductive, Neonatal, Breast and Gynaecology services). In relation to The ANCHOR Centre (Oncology and Haematology out-patient and day-patient services and aseptic pharmacy), with the exception of the removal of CT scanning department, no other clinical service changes are planned.

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