

News Release

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Dorset County Hospital Welcomes CSR Decisions

Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group's Governing Body today (20 Sept) approved the Clinical Services Review recommendations.

Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust has issued the following statement in response:

"We are delighted that the Clinical Commissioning Group's comprehensive review has recognised the importance of DCH continuing to provide planned and emergency services to people in the west of Dorset.

"We are looking forward to building on the collaboration work with our partners in health and social care to ensure we can provide high quality emergency and district general hospital services for our patients now and into the future.

"The CSR outcome reflects and supports our drive to deliver outstanding care for people in ways which matter to them. It provides the foundation for a bright future for DCH, with some exciting developments on the horizon, including the new radiotherapy centre and integrated community services hub.

"We are committed to building high quality services across Dorset, and ensuring that the needs of people in the west are fully taken into account, with investment throughout the county to support improvements.

"We welcome the CCG's preferred option for paediatric and maternity services in the west, with DCH working with Yeovil District Hospital (YDH) to provide a sustainable and safe service for women and children. Our consultant paediatricians and obstetricians will continue to work with their colleagues in Yeovil on the best possible solution for the local population.

"Any proposed changes to services in either hospital would be subject to further local public consultation by both Dorset and Somerset CCGs as appropriate."

You can find out more on the CCG's website at: www.dorsetccg.nhs.uk

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