

ADULT CARE AND HEALTH OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**19 NOVEMBER 2019**

REPORT TITLE	Update on The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre
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REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide a progress update on the building of Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Liverpool and plans for developing the Wirral site.

The new 11-floor specialist cancer centre in the heart of Liverpool will open in May 2020.

This state of the art hospital is based on the same site as the current and new Royal and the University of Liverpool collocating oncology with acute services and clinical research expertise to streamline care, avoid the need for patient transfer and expand cancer research in the region.

It will be part of the unique network of Clatterbridge cancer care delivered from 18 sites across Cheshire and Merseyside, including the existing sites in Wirral and Aintree.

As part of the plans Clatterbridge will be redeveloping the Wirral site which will continue to provide current treatment and outpatient services to local patients.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That Members of the Adult Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee note the report.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

To ensure Members of the Adult Care and Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee are aware of current developments being undertaken by The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Not applicable

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 The 2008 Baker Cannon Report recommended that The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre's services should be expanded and its main site be located on the new Liverpool health campus, alongside The Royal Liverpool University Hospital, the University of Liverpool, and other key partners.

3.2 The case for change included:

- Access to intensive care or medical and surgical specialties not available on current site in Wirral.
- The Wirral site isn't centrally located for the Merseyside and Cheshire population it serves. Around 63% of The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre's current patients live closer to central Liverpool than to Wirral.
- To increase access to cutting edge research and clinical trials for patients across Merseyside and Cheshire currently only accessible to hospitals with intensive care and other key specialties on site.

3.3 Building work on the new hospital began in July 2017.

The Haemato-Oncology department, previously part of the Royal Liverpool Hospital also became part of The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust in July 2017 in order to:

- Be able to work more closely with other cancer teams and improve services for all patients with cancer
- Improve the speed and accuracy of diagnosis of blood cancers
- Improve the care of patients with non-cancerous blood disorders under our care
- Provide access to a range of services currently available to patients with other cancers, through The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre

3.4 Work on The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre - Liverpool is making good progress and with the completion of the exterior building now complete work is well underway on fitting out the interior of the building. The building is due to be handed over by our construction partner Laing O'Rourke in February 2020; extremely positive news for cancer care in Cheshire and Merseyside. A twelve week commissioning period will then begin before the hospital opens its doors to the public in May 2020.

3.5 The new specialist hospital has been developed alongside patients, their families and staff to ensure the best possible patient environment and will provide:

- 4 wards with 110 beds.
- All rooms will be single-occupancy with en-suite facilities.
- In-patient care for teenagers and adults with all cancers.
- Diagnostics, outpatient chemotherapy, radiotherapy, and a range of other cancer treatments and services.
- Significant outside space for patients including rooftop courtyards which lead out from treatment areas.

- 3.6 The project team has been working closely with staff at the Royal Liverpool University Hospital Trust to ensure that any impacts for Clatterbridge as a result of the delay to the New Royal have been identified and the necessary measures taken to ensure the construction of Clatterbridge Cancer Centre - Liverpool remains on track.

There are three link bridges being constructed between Clatterbridge Cancer Centre-Liverpool and the new Royal. There are also some services links e.g. to the Royal steam supply. Any impact on these connections arising from the delays to the new Royal have been addressed as they arose without any impact on the planned handover date.

- 3.7 The project team have been working with Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust to ensure any impact on their services will be addressed in advance of the move of the inpatient service.

- 3.8 The new hospital is part of a £162 million project to transform cancer care that will also include improvements to the Wirral site.

When the new hospital opens in Liverpool in May 2020, it is estimated that 90% of Wirral and West Cheshire patients will continue to be treated at Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Wirral.

To ensure patients are confident they will continue to receive the same high standard of care and facilities at Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Wirral, a redevelopment programme will be undertaken on the Wirral site which will start after completion of Clatterbridge Cancer Centre - Liverpool.

All outpatient chemotherapy will continue to be available at Clatterbridge Cancer Centre - Wirral, as well as radiotherapy for common cancers including breast, prostate and lung.

Wirral and West Cheshire patients will only need to travel to Clatterbridge Cancer Centre - Liverpool for inpatient care, more complex treatments or treatment as part of an early-stage clinical trial.

- 3.9 The first element of the redevelopment of the Wirral site will begin in November as Maggie's Merseyside begin building their new permanent site in the grounds of Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Wirral. Maggie's Merseyside provides free practical, emotional and social support for people living with cancer, enhancing the care they receive at The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre. The new centre will continue this important work in new and improved surroundings.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

5 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

Not applicable

7 RELEVANT RISKS

Not applicable

8 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

Public consultation on the proposals took place from 28th July 2014 to 19th October 2014 and found that 91% of participants supported the vision and 88.5% felt the plans would improve cancer care in the region.

9 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

This report is for information to Members and there are no direct equality implications.

10 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

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APPENDICES

BACKGROUND PAPERS

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date