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## **Media Release**

## Eating in style at the RUH

Staff and visitors can look forward to dining in brand new, vibrant surroundings at the Royal United Hospital.

From Monday 18 January, the current Lansdown restaurant will close to undergo complete redesign and refurbishment. The new restaurant will provide a more workable, attractive and up-to-date facility for everyone to enjoy.

The restaurant will close for approximately ten weeks whilst works are carried out. Interim catering arrangements will be provided in alternative venues across the hospital site and these venues will be clearly signposted to both staff and anyone visiting the RUH.

Hotel Services manager for the RUH, Mike Newport, says: "We'll still be offering hot and cold food although the menu will be slightly reduced. We'll also be selling the usual sandwiches, snacks and beverages. We have arranged for food to be served from a variety of different locations around the hospital; such as the atrium coffee bar, the Oasis café and in the Lansdown foyer, all of which will be signposted.

"We're also delighted that the Friends of the RUH have agreed a donation of £15,000 to fund a competition for an artist or illustrator to provide a set of unique murals for the restaurant. The successful artist will design five large contemporary murals to reflect the look of the new restaurant, as well as providing a signature design for menus and signage. The winner will be chosen by a panel made up of various hospital staff, Friends and patient representatives and their designs will be enjoyed for many years to come.

"We know that the Lansdown restaurant is well used - and appreciated - but it's long been in need of updating. It will be great for our staff and visitors to eat in new, modern surroundings. We're excited and really looking forward to the completion of this project."

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