



Royal United Hospitals Bath

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RUH welcomes government funding

The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust has welcomed the announcement that it is to receive Government funding to plan for future building projects.

Trust Chief Executive James Scott said: “We are delighted to have been chosen as one of 21 trusts to receive Health Infrastructure Plan 2 seed funding to put together a long-term plan for building and refurbishment projects at the RUH.

“Being part of this programme allows us to continue to look forward with our ambition to radically transform aging facilities and support our amazing teams in the provision of highest quality services

“We’ll be working up plans over the next 18 months. The first step is for us to work with our clinicians, stakeholders and patients on proposals to create a hospital that will guarantee a positive patient and staff experience into the future, with use of low carbon design, digital technology and sustainable travel at its core.

“We remain committed to redeveloping the RUH with the continued help of our hospital charity, The Forever Friends Appeal, and our many supporters and fundraisers.”

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Notes to Editor:

The World Health Organization has announced that 2020 will be the Year of the Nurse and Midwife to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale. Our nurses and midwives are a big part of the RUH family and throughout the year we will be celebrating the work they do, going above and beyond every day to give our patients compassionate care.

Chair:
Alison Ryan

Chief Executive:
James Scott



The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of around 500,000 people in Bath, and the surrounding towns and villages in North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. The hospital provides healthcare to the population served by four Clinical Commissioning Groups: Bath & North East Somerset CCG, Wiltshire CCG, Somerset CCG and South Gloucestershire CCG.

The Trust provides 759 beds and a comprehensive range of acute services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.

In 2015 The Royal United Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust acquired the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases (RNHRD) NHS Foundation Trust. The RNHRD treats patients from across the country offering services in rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME, cancer related fatigue and fatigue linked to other long term conditions such as multiple sclerosis.

The RUH is changing - we have an exciting programme of redevelopment underway transforming our site and further improving the services we provide. The Trust has opened the purpose-built RNHRD and Brownsword Therapies Centre and is now working towards the new Dyson Cancer Centre. For more details visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/fit_for_the_future

For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk