

THE JOURNEY TO OUR NEW HOSPITAL

Newsletter

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Welcome to the Airedale New Hospital newsletter

We hope you find this update useful and informative. More information is available at www.airedale-trust.nhs.uk on our [dedicated new hospital pages](#), or on our Securing the Future app available on the App Store or Google Play.

Delivering services in the local community

For the past few months, we have held a series of workshops to help us develop plans for our Target Operating Model (TOM), which is how we will deliver care and services in our new hospital.

In May, dozens of staff, health and care partners and patients came together for our Out of Hospital workshop, looking at community services and opportunities to provide more care from community settings. This is a key area of focus as we develop plans for our new hospital, in line with the NHS 10-year plan and the Bradford District and Craven Health, Care and Wellbeing Strategy.

We will continue to work with our partners to develop our plans and make sure we are providing the right healthcare for people, in the right locations across our communities.

Update at a glance:

- We are looking at how we could deliver more services in community settings, working with our health and care partners, staff and members of the public.
- Your feedback on plans for key work needed before we can build the new hospital, has been collated into a report which you can read on our website.
- Minister of State for Health, Karin Smyth visits Airedale.
- We are entering the design stage of our journey to our new hospital. This is an exciting step forward and we need your help to shape our plans.

Hundreds share support for key work needed for new hospital

At the end of 2024 we shared initial plans for key work needed before we can build our new hospital, with patients, local communities and staff. The plans include a new multi-storey car park, access road into the hospital and substation. They also included plans to move the nursery to a new location on site.

We are very grateful to everyone who took the time to share their views, we had a great response with hundreds of people showing their support for our plans. All the feedback received was independently analysed. A full report is now available [on the Trust website here](#). To find out more [read our news article on our website here](#).

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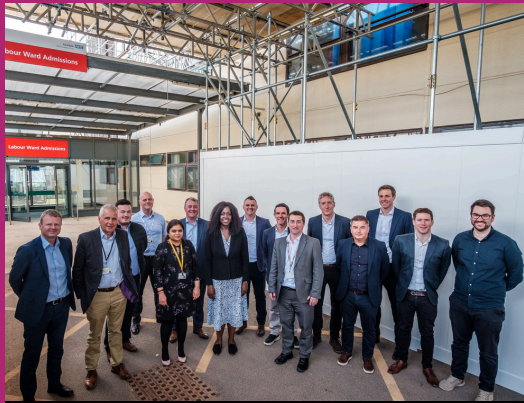


We were delighted to welcome the Minister of State for Health, Karin Smyth, to Airedale in May. The Minister had a tour of the site where she was shown structural support work being carried out and was also taken to see where our new hospital will be, and hear about our progress.

The visit comes on the back of the government's commitment to prioritising wave 1 schemes, including Airedale, so they are delivered at pace.



Exciting step towards new Airedale Hospital as Trust prepares to start design process



Photograph shows Airedale Hospital management with members of the design team

We are excited to be a step closer to bringing the vision for a new Airedale General Hospital to life as we begin working on the design for our new hospital.

As you can imagine building a new hospital requires a lot of expertise, and we have just appointed a team of architect and engineering companies who will be working on the design.

The design will be based on a national template called 'Hospital 2.0', which is currently being finalised by the New Hospital Programme.

The team will be supporting the Trust to deliver this in a way that supports the delivery of the Bradford District and Craven Health, Care and Wellbeing Strategy and ensure it best meets the needs of the communities Airedale serves. This will also be underpinned by the work to develop our Target Operating Model, as mentioned earlier.

How you can get involved

Views from patients and local people will also be essential shape the design of the hospital and the Trust is planning a wide range of activities over the summer to involve the public in this work. To kick start this, we're inviting local residents, patients, carers, and community members to take part in two special engagement events on Thursday 3 July 2025.

These events will be your chance to:

- Hear the latest updates on the new hospital and the national design guidelines we will be working to
- Share your views and priorities for the new Airedale hospital
- Find out how to get involved in a community panel to work with us throughout the journey to our new hospital.

Workshop 1 takes place at Keighley College, 11:30am - 2pm. Workshop 2 takes place at Silsden Sports Centre, 6pm - 8:30pm. Light refreshments will be available.

Please [register your interest by 27 June using this link](#), which takes you to a short survey.



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Interested in finding out more about our plans and ways you can get involved? We now have a dedicated Securing the Future Facebook page where we will be sharing the latest news and updates. Click on the Facebook icon above to be directed to the page.

