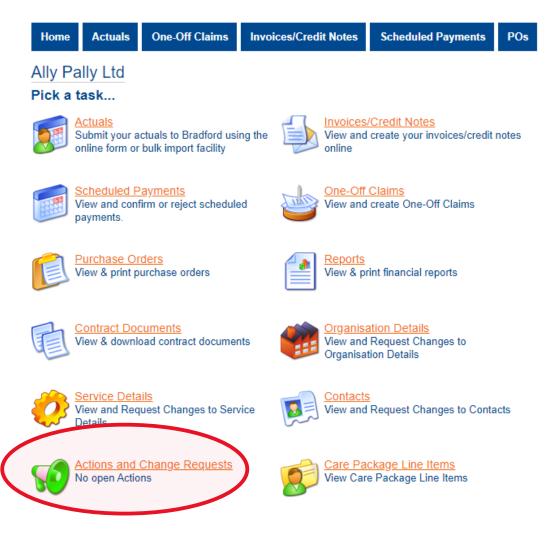
## **Communicating with Local Authority**

On the Provider Portal home page, select Actions and Change Requests



- You will be taken to the following screen. This would detail any current/pending actions.
- To create a new Action, select 'New Action'



Complete the fields accordingly. Mandatory fields are shown in bold on the Portal

Type – Drop-down options of what the action relates to e.g. Deceased, Contract Query, Service Ended

Related To – Drop-down options of the category it relates to e.g. Contract, Client, Service

**Entity** – Drop-down options of the specific name or reference of what entity this action relates to (options will change depending on what has been selected on 'Related To' field)

PLEASE NOTE - THIS WILL AUTOMATICALLY POPULATE THE FIRST RESULT ON THE DROP-DOWN LIST.
YOU MUST ENSURE THAT YOU SELECT THE CORRECT OPTION FROM THE DROP-DOWN LIST.

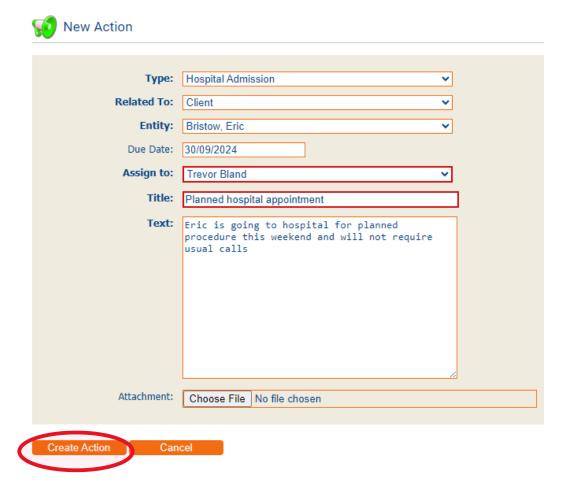
**Due Date** is an optional field. If you required a response by a particular date, you can select the date here. This would then show whether the action is overdue or not.

**Assign To** – Drop-down options allows you to select which team/person at the local authority will receive the action

Title – Free-text box where you would write the name of the action

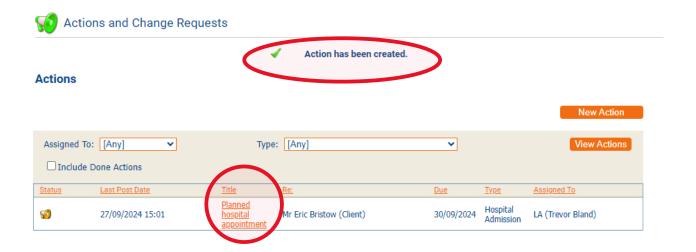
**Text** – The message that is to be sent to the local authority

**Attachment** – This is optional. Should you need to provide any supporting documents, these can be added here.



Once all of the information has been completed, select 'Create Action'

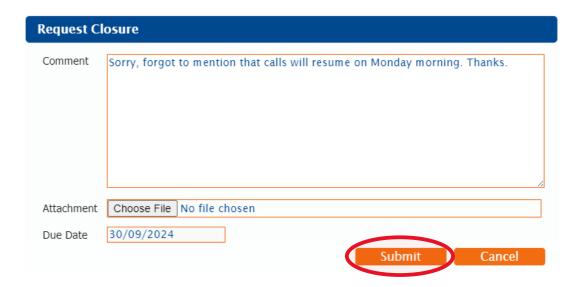
- The action has now been created and submitted to Bradford Council
- This shows the status of the action as well as details such as a due date (if set) and who it has been assigned to.



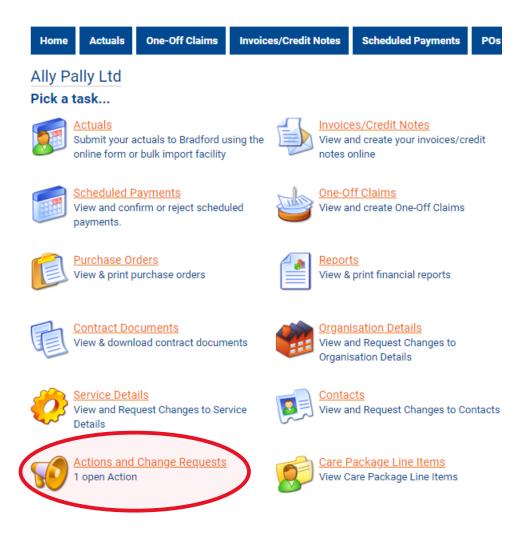
- To view the full details, click on the link with the title name
- This also allows you to view any related links
- You can also add further comments or attachments by selecting 'Comment' or if nothing further is required, you can 'Request Closure'



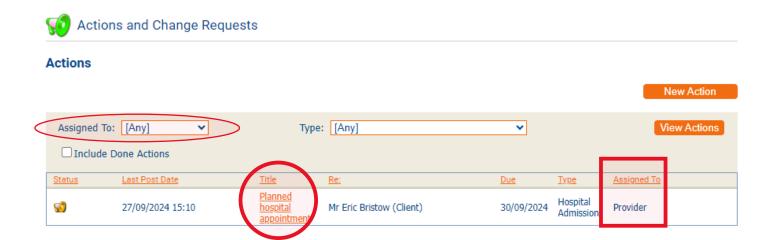
• Additional comments will be added and sent through to Bradford Council when you select 'Submit'



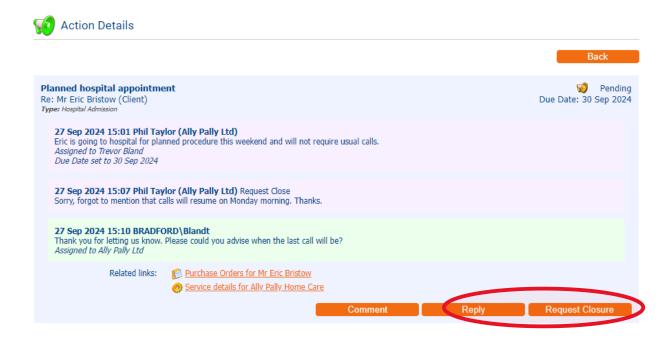
• On the home page, you will see that **Actions and Change Requests** now shows that there is '1 open Action'. The colour of the icon has also changed from green to orange as the action is pending



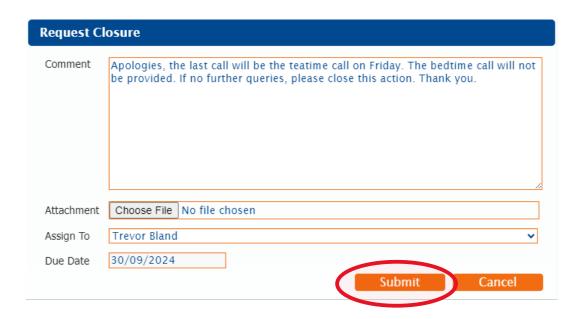
- Actions can only be closed by Bradford Council. If no further action required, the action will be closed.
- Bradford Council can reply if appropriate and this would change the 'Assigned To' status to Provider
- You can use the 'Assigned To' filter to view Actions assigned to Provider or Local Authority
- To view the details including response, click the link within the **title** name



- This will show the details including the reply from Bradford Council
- You can reply by selecting **Reply** or you can reply and request closure by selecting **Request Closure**



• Type the response and submit



Once Bradford Council have closed the action, you will see that the home page shows 'No Open Actions'



- You can view the completed actions by selecting Actions and Change Requests
- Tick the box for 'Include Done Actions' and then click the 'View Actions' button (filter 'type' and 'assigned to' if required)
- This will show all closed actions. To view the full details, click the link within the title name



• The full history of the action and conversation between provider and local authority will be shown

