



Hinchingbrooke **Next Steps** **Project Update**

Stakeholder panel meeting

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Progress: The ITPD process

- ITPD1 deadline was 15 February 2010. Five responses received.
- Three organisations invited to ITPD2 stage. Closing deadline 20 June.
- Deadline extended to accommodate three bidders, rather than anticipated two.
- Stakeholder panel subgroup now interviewing bidders on 15 July as part of evaluation.



Current challenges

- NHS Cambridgeshire likely to have an overall budget gap of nearly £100 million in five years, if no corrective action taken.
- One of NHS Cambridgeshire's goal is to begin to reduce activity in secondary care.
- It's strategic plan for the region suggests a 'sea change' in both commissioning and provision to do this.
- The dialogue process allows bidders to sight these challenges and share their views with NHS Cambridgeshire.
- The focus remains in securing a partner for Hinchingsbrooke's long term future and the challenges ahead.



Progress:

Public involvement

- Third wave of public involvement started 19 May, lasting 12 weeks. Focus shaped by public requests to know more about the bidders and understand the process more, therefore:
- Next Steps News 3 contains
 - articles from each of the bidders
 - ‘top ten facts’
- New public meeting in St Neots, 19 July

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Top ten facts about Hinchingbrooke Next Steps (1 of 2)

1. Hinchingbrooke hospital is not being closed; there were no plans to close it in 2006, and there are no plans to close it now.
2. Hinchingbrooke is not being privatised. What is being offered is a franchise to operate the hospital.
3. Patients will continue to receive NHS services, free at the point of delivery.
4. Staff will continue to be employed by the NHS, retaining their NHS terms and conditions.
5. Hinchingbrooke's buildings and assets will remain within the NHS, as will any benefit derived from them.

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Top ten facts about Hinchingbrooke Next Steps (2 of 2)

6. The public is being involved in the process. There are three waves of public engagement, spanning the entire HNS project, and numerous ways in which people can feed in their ideas and practical suggestions.
7. A&E and maternity are not earmarked for closure.
8. Treatment for NHS patients is the priority. This is about NHS patients.
9. The successful franchisee will not be making a profit at the expense of patient care. They will be subject to the same clinical and operational scrutiny as every NHS hospital.
10. The franchisee will operate as if it is the Trust. All accountabilities and governance will remain as they are now, without change.



Progress:

Public liaison since last meeting

- Stakeholder panel sub group met 13 April. Julie Farrow to report on the meeting.
- First public meeting, 4 March in Cambourne. Extensive media coverage.
- SPT presentations given to Medical Advisory Committee, LINK, Social Partnership Forum, Huntingdon Patient Congress and others
- Met with HOSC sub group, 17 March, to discuss ITPD2.
- Much of the period covered by 'purdah'.

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What's next?

Public engagement

- Encourage responses to current question in Next Steps News, so we can address any outstanding concerns
- Meeting with HOSC sub group, 3 June
- Evaluate ITPD2 submissions (30 June to 4 August)
- Next stakeholder panel meeting (Mon 5 July, 2pm, Hinchbrooke House Assembly Rooms)
- Next public meeting (Wed 7 July, 6pm) Fenland Hall, March
- Looking to appoint a preferred franchisee in October.

Timeline summary

Phase 4 – ITPD2 (invitation to participate in dialogue 2)	
ITPD2 issued	12/04/10
ITPD2 submission deadline	29/06/10
ITPD2 evaluation	30/06/10 - 04/08/10
Confirmation of bidders recommended to proceed to ITT	11/08/10
Phase 5 – ITT (invitation to tender)	
ITT issued	16/08/10
ITT submission deadline	31/08/10
ITT evaluation	31/08/10 – 27/09/10
Preferred franchisee appointed	04/10/10
Phase 6 – Approvals (subject to approvals & public involvement process)	
Full business case / approvals	04/10/10 – 31/12/10
Contract award & signature	03/01/11
Service commencement	02/05/11
Staff and public involvement	Ongoing

Any questions? Any ideas? Get in touch!

Thank you.

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