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STP funding secured for the Outwoods Health Village



Plans to create a Healthcare Village on surplus land at Queen's Hospital in Burton have been boosted by a Government grant from the Department of Health and Social care.

The Outwoods Health Village development led by STRIDE, a joint venture between University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (UHDB) and Health Innovation Partners has been successful in securing an allocation of £21.88 million from the latest wave of STP funding.

A nursery, GP surgery, step down facility and key worker accommodation are all set to be built as part of the Healthcare Village plans, which also include privately funded Extracare accommodation and a nursing home. At the heart of the development there will be a community hub providing space for residents, patients and visitors to interact, whilst the development will also integrate and make use of existing buildings, including the Medical Education Centre and newly-built dementia centre of excellence.

Peter Cox, Director of Health Innovations Partners and Head of Strategic Health Partnerships at Morgan Sindall Investments commented, 'not only is this a catalyst for a real change in the way local people will be cared for but a success for the multiple stakeholders across both the public and private sector on what can be achieved by working collaboratively. The final £55m Outwoods Care Village will be a legacy for how Public Private Partnerships can make a real difference to the community.'

Paul Styler, Director of Health Innovations Partners and Arcadis "HIP and its parent organisations, Arcadis and Morgan Sindall, are delighted that the Outwoods development is viewed by central government as a robust and deliverable proposition to underpin the delivery of improved healthcare outcomes for East Staffordshire. It is testament to all the organisations who have worked on this transformative development to this point and we hope other health and care organisations across the country will look upon Outwoods as a means to deliver improved quality of life"

Duncan Bedford, Managing Director for the Burton site, said: "This is excellent news for our patients and local population. The Healthcare Village is an adventurous proposal, using an innovative approach to provide care in the community. It will be so much more than a set of buildings; we aim to nurture a community that brings together people of all ages, addressing some of the current issues that society faces, such as social isolation."

Gavin Boyle, Chief Executive at University Hospitals of Derby and Burton, said: "The Healthcare Village will operate as an integrated care facility, bringing health and social services together to provide the people of Burton and surrounding areas with the best care. We are very pleased that funding has been allocated to our proposals and look forward to working with the Staffordshire STP and our partners to deliver this new model of care."

Andrew Griffiths, MP for Burton and Uttoxeter, said: “This was a well put together proposal and following lots of hard lobbying, has delivered funding for a scheme that will dramatically improve the health of local people. I would like to thank the Health Secretary Matt Hancock for listening to our arguments and backing a plan which I think will set the future direction for similar schemes across the country. Well done to everyone involved at the hospital on this brilliant result.”

Simon Whitehouse, Director of Staffordshire STP ‘Together We’re Better Together’, said: “The announcement of this funding is very welcome in our area and will enable us to transform the way that care is delivered to local people. The Health and Care Campus at Outwoods will realise a key priority for Together We’re Better; utilising NHS estate to its fullest potential, whilst integrating health and care services to benefit the population we serve. This is an approach that we want to see developed across Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent. There is a responsibility on all of us to ensure that we are being innovative about how we use and develop estates (land and buildings) that are owned by public sector partners. Being able to attract this level of external capital funding is a great credit to the hard work of the team that have developed and worked up these proposals.”

The STRIDE joint venture delivers priority Strategic Estates Services over the short and medium term, with the aim of achieving maximum efficiency in the way the Trust operates and in how it uses its sizeable physical estate, in line with the Trust’s clinical priorities for patient care, and reflecting its strategic plan for the future.