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Dear Resident

The new children's hospital on a shared campus with St. James's Hospital will bring together the three existing children's hospital's (Temple Street Children's University Hospital, Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin and the National Children's Hospital, Tallaght) in a modern building that is custom built to deliver the best treatments that are now available. St. James's Hospital is Ireland's largest and leading teaching and research intensive hospitals. It has the greatest number of clinical specialties and national services in the acute adult hospital system. It also has the widest range of adult sub specialties that can support paediatric services. The completion of the new children's hospital will result in better clinical outcomes and increased operational efficiency, as well as significantly enhancing the experience of service for children, young people and their families; and staff.

The new children's hospital will provide specialist care for Ireland's sickest children. It will also replace the hospitals of Crumlin and Temple Street as the local hospital for children who live within the M50. Day to day (secondary paediatric care) hospital needs of children from the Great Dublin Area (County Dublin, Meath, Kildare, and Wicklow) will be catered for in the new Paediatric Outpatient Department & Urgent Care Centres (at Tallaght Hospital and Connolly Hospital in Blanchardstown) where consultant led emergency care will be delivered. Find out more about the Paediatric Outpatient Department & Urgent Care Centres on page 3.

## new children's hospital to positively transform Dublin 8

An independent report by EY, has outlined the opportunities that will be created for residents and businesses in Dublin 8 as a result of the decision to locate the new children's hospital on a campus shared with St. James's Hospital. The National Paediatric Hospital Development Board (NPHDB) together with the Children's Hospital Group (CHG), established a Community Benefits Oversight Committee to ensure that the impact of the €650m investment could be maximised in the short, medium and long term for the Dublin 8 community. The Oversight Committee is chaired by Gordon Jeyes.

The Community Benefits Oversight Group commissioned the 'Harnessing the Potential' report which found that there are a wide range of areas where the local community will benefit. It also sets out a series of recommendations which will ensure that the benefits are maximised. Key findings include:

- 2,000 construction jobs and 300 jobs in services will be created during the construction phase
- 3,700 nch employees will join 4,000 St. James's Hospital employees on the growing medical campus – bringing more employment and expenditure into the area
- Visitors and patients will also create local demand
- Education and training supports will be tailored and made increasingly available to people in the area to help them acquire skills that will be in demand from the hospital and the supporting businesses once the nch is operational
- Social clauses in the construction contracts and in procurement for services
- Residents will benefit from a focused approach to create a 'Healthy Community' in Dublin 8

The hospital and campus development presents a once in a lifetime opportunity for the local community. Putting

in place a programme to ensure that the full benefit of having a world-class hospital in the community is a priority objective for the NPHDB and CHG.

The Community Benefits Oversight Group brings together all of the relevant stakeholder groups in the community to ensure that all opportunities are fully leveraged. Oversight Committee members include; St. James's Hospital, Tusla, Dublin City Council; Department of Social Protection; CDETB; HSE; An Garda Síochána; Community Groups and local Regeneration Boards.

The overarching objective of the Oversight Group is to promote active engagement between local community interests and the hospital project so that the community benefit in terms of health, employment, training, career opportunities and local business development.

At the outset, the report's authors conducted research to identify the type of employment, education and enterprise opportunities that would arise during the design and build phase of the project and again when the

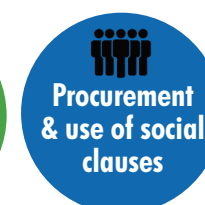
“ EY Report sets out a roadmap for 'Harnessing the Potential' from the new children's hospital ”

hospital is fully operational. In addition, a full skills audit of the community was undertaken to identify the education and employment supports that are available or required to assist unemployed people secure employment with the project – through both construction and operational stages. Consideration on how social clauses could be used following the conclusion of construction was also done. Following the extensive research, a series of recommendations on how community benefit could be maximised during construction and operational phases were set out.

The Oversight Committee has set out a roadmap structured across four pillars, Employment and education programmes, Enterprise Support, Procurement and use of social clauses & Community and awareness raising.

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Ardmhéara Bhaile Átha Cliath / Lord Mayor of Dublin Criona Ní Dhálaigh said: “The new children’s hospital will be a significant investment for the children of Ireland, but it is also – as we learned today – a significant opportunity for the people of Dublin. I wish to commend the NPHDB and CHG on their foresight in forming the Community Benefits Oversight Group in order to ensure that Dublin will realise the full benefit from this, the largest health infrastructure investment in the history of the state. This first report, by EY, is a hugely promising demonstration of what can be achieved by this wide cohort of stakeholders. I look forward to supporting the implementation of this plan.”

Gordon Jeyes, Chairman of Community Benefits Oversight Group said: “We have looked at best practice across the globe to identify the positive impact that an investment of this size can have on a community. The impact can be transformative. By bringing all of the community groups together, we will ensure that the people living and working in the surrounding area benefit in a meaningful manner from this project. Through employment, improved access to alternative education opportunities and through health and wellbeing initiatives the new children’s hospital and the broader health campus can help change lives for generations to come.”

A first step in ensuring that this strategy becomes a reality has already been taken with the appointment of a Community Benefits Champion who will support the implementation of the recommendations. The identification of future employment opportunities and the skills profile required to fill those roles has commenced. Work is underway with local training providers to respond to the skills gap with existing databases being used as a source to identify potential candidates. All stakeholders will continue to work in partnership to monitor the types of opportunities and business development needs that might arise to ensure that the potential of this project is harnessed for the community within which it is based.

The full press release and copy of the report can be accessed at <http://www.newchildrenshospital.ie/publications/>

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## Visit the new children's hospital Information Cen

The National Paediatric Hospital Development Board (NPHDB) has opened a dedicated information centre in Rialto where members of the public can view a physical 3D model of the proposed new children’s hospital, the OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centres proposed for Tallaght and Blanchardstown, the hospital’s Family Accommodation Unit, and the Children’s Research and Innovation Centre.

Members of the public will be able to see a 3D model as well as view information boards which detail the various aspects of the new children’s hospital project at the new dedicated information centre. An Bord Pleanála are to commence an oral hearing for the new children’s hospital on Monday 30th November at the Hilton Hotel in Kilmainham.

The centre is located at 568 South Circular Road, Rialto, Dublin 8 (beside Rialto Credit Union) and is open at the following times:

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| Monday    | 11am - 2pm |
| Tuesday   | 11am - 2pm |
| Wednesday | 11am - 2pm |
| Thursday  | 4pm - 7pm  |
| Friday    | 2pm - 5pm  |



▲ MODEL OF THE NEW CHILDRENS HOSPITAL CAN BE SEEN AT THE NEW INFORMATION CENTRE [www.nchplanning.ie](http://www.nchplanning.ie)

▲ NEW CHILDRENS HOSPITAL INFORMATION CENTRE



# Patients Department & Urgent Care for Tallaght & Blanchardstown



▲ TALLAGHT PAEDIATRIC  
OPD & URGENT CARE  
CENTRE

▶ CONNOLLY PAEDIATRIC OPD  
& URGENT CARE CENTRE

The plans submitted to An Bord Pleanála for the new children's hospital included those for the new children's hospital as well as for the two Paediatric OPD and Urgent Care Satellite Centres planned at Tallaght Hospital and Connolly Hospital.

Ireland is transitioning to a new model of care for paediatric services. The new children's hospital is at the heart of this change but is only one element.

The accepted best practice in the medical community involves treating the vast majority of children as close to home as is medically appropriate – and in the majority of instances, treatment is delivered on the same day. The new model of care will ensure that patients will receive consistent care regardless of whether they are being treated in a regional centre, an OPD & Urgent Care Satellite Centre, in their local hospital or in the new children's hospital.

The new children's hospital's specialist staff will hold shared clinics in regional hospitals as part of the National Model of Care Programme. This will ensure excellent communication between units throughout the country which will guarantee that children and young people are cared for in a shared care arrangement between the specialist services in Dublin, and by their own local paediatrician close to home.



## ? What is the role of the Paediatric Outpatient Department & Urgent Care services?

Paediatricians and child health professionals fully accept that best practice involves treating the vast majority of children and young people as close to home as is medically appropriate – and in the majority of instances, this local treatment is delivered on the same day either through out-patient clinics or emergency/urgent care units. At the other end of the spectrum, best practice strongly demonstrates that centralising the most complex care and treatment results in higher survival rates and better clinical outcomes. That is why we are planning a hospital and two satellite centres for local paediatric services in the greater Dublin area.

Therefore the paediatric OPD and urgent care services in the satellite centres, planned for Connolly Hospital in Blanchardstown and Tallaght Hospital, will play a central role in the delivery of this new model of care for the local child population. These centres will support the hospital in the provision of high quality, safe, accessible and secondary paediatric care to children and young people in the greater Dublin area.

These Satellites will play a critical role in the delivery of the model of care developed by the National Clinical Programme for Paediatrics and Neonatology. These ambulatory and urgent care centres will facilitate the delivery of care in centres that are as close to home as possible 'delivery of the right care, at the right time, in the right facility'

The Satellite Centres will provide high quality, safe, accessible and secondary general care to children in the greater Dublin area. Each centre will provide consultant-delivered emergency care, with observation beds (up to 6 hours) and appropriate diagnostics. It is anticipated that the centres will open from 07.30 to 22.00.

Care will be delivered to children as close to their home as is medically appropriate – this can be at one of the satellites, in a regional centre or in a local hospital. They will be treated in the nch if medically necessary. It is estimated that about 10% of children will be seen at the nch.

## ? What are the timelines on this project, opening dates for the OPD and Urgent Care services?

A decision from An Bord Pleanála, on the main new children's hospital and the two satellite centres, is expected within the first quarter of 2016. Subject to planning, construction for the main children's hospital at St James's campus will commence in the first half of 2016 and services will start to transition in 2019 moving toward full operations in 2020. The OPD and Urgent Care Satellite are expected to be completed in late 2017.





# Sharing the Vision



OVERVIEW ▲



RAINBOW GARDEN



## Mobility Management Update from St. James's Hospital Campus

Dear Resident

I would like to take this opportunity to highlight the availability of our Mobility Manager, Barry McKenna to discuss parking controls in the environs of St. James's Campus. Barry, having engaged with the local residents at various meetings, is keenly aware of the concerns expressed regards existing and potential problems with parking in residential areas. We at St. James's are committed to working with residents and our Mobility Manager will liaise with the residents and Dublin City Council to address your concerns in a proactive manner.

There have been a number of meetings with Dublin City Council's Traffic and Parking Enforcement Departments to discuss parking controls, parking overspill and commuter parking in residential areas adjacent to the Hospital. Subject to the agreement of the residents an effective solution would be the introduction of permit parking in residential streets currently not subject to controls and extending the hours of permit parking from 7.00am to 12.00pm on residential street where it currently exists.

An Engineer from Dublin City Council has surveyed the streets currently not subject to parking controls. A review of the area indicates that the introduction of permit parking will not result in any significant reduction in parking capacity, minimal in most cases. This information has been mapped, providing a clear indication of where permit parking can be introduced, available parking and double yellow lines. The information is available to local residents from our Mobility Manager, Barry McKenna.

You can contact our Barry via email at [bmckenna@stjames.ie](mailto:bmckenna@stjames.ie) or tel. 4285254.

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## A New 'Smarter travel' Brand for our Campus Travel Plan

**The staff of St. James's Hospital have been getting familiar with the new campus plan.**

St. James's Hospital is centrally located in Dublin and has more public transport links than any other hospital in the country. The Luas currently stops directly at St. James's hospital and there are planned pedestrian access points to the hospital at the Fatima and Rialto Luas stops. Heuston Station is within close proximity and the Luas also links directly to Connolly Station, there are also many bus routes that pass directly by. In addition there is park and ride facilities at the Red Cow, the journey from the Red Cow to St. James's via the Luas take 14 minutes. There are many Dublin Bike stations plotted around St. James's Hospital and those who choose to cycle will be offered secure bicycle parking, lockers and showering facilities.

Central to the plan is the creation and communication of travel options available to all those commuting to the hospital. This will enable informed choices to be made on using alternatives mode of travel. The on campus Smartertravel Commuter Centre will open shortly, providing information and services to staff on public transport, cycling, walking and carsharing. A newly created convenient pocket guide provides staff with a wide range of information on all aspect of commuting, including the Taxsaver Ticket Scheme, the Cycle to Work Scheme, cycling and walking times, useful apps, Park & Ride facilities and a map outlining bus, train and Luas options and Dublinbikes stations.



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