



Public Information Event

29 November 2017

The Rufus Centre, Flitwick

Agenda

6:00pm **The proposal to merge Bedford Hospital and L&D University Hospital**

David Carter, Acting CEO, L&D Hospital
Stephen Conroy, CEO, Bedford Hospital



6.20pm **Working better together to provide the best patient care**

Mr Paul Tisi, Medical Director, Bedford Hospital
Consultant Vascular Surgeon, Bedford and L&D



6.30pm **Question and Answers**

7.00pm **Event ends**

The purpose of today's event

- Update you on ***proposals*** to merge Bedford Hospital Trust and Luton & Dunstable University Hospital FT
- An opportunity for **you to ask questions** to understand what is planned and how this might affect you and your family, staff and patients

What is the proposal?

- To merge Bedford Hospital and Luton & Dunstable University Hospital to create a **single organisation** with a **single management team**
- A **full range of services** will continue to be **provided for patients on both sites**. This includes retaining key services such as A&E, maternity and paediatrics at Bedford Hospital
- Existing arrangements with other **specialist networks will remain** eg. Cancer/ coronary at Papworth/ Harefield

Why is this being proposed?

- **Strong partnerships** already exist between our hospitals – a merger will strengthen and build on these
- By operating as a **single team** across the whole of Bedfordshire we can:
 - **provide the best hospital services for patients**
 - **create better opportunities for staff**
- As part of the STP, we have been looking at opportunities for creating a **more sustainable way of delivering quality hospital services** for the local population

The proposed expanded catchment area and surrounding hospitals



A more detailed look at the two hospitals

Key information for 2016/ 2017	L&D	Bedford
Number of acute and critical care beds	724	427
A&E attendances	101,027	73,082
Emergency Admissions	37,947	26,743
Births (<i>deliveries attended by hospital Drs or midwives</i>)	5,278	2,861
Total staff employed (<i>average</i>)	4,145	2,672
Staff Survey score on recommending hospital as a place to work (<i>compared to national average score 3.76</i>)	3.88	3.82
Turnover £m	308.8	192.5
Productivity analysis (<i>position in national quartiles</i>)	Top 25%	Top 25-50%
Current performance rating (<i>1 is maximum autonomy, 4 is special measures</i>)	Segment 1	Segment 2

Financial context for the hospitals	L&D	Bedford
15/16 Outturn position £m	0.1	(18.4)
16/17 Outturn position £m	12.9	(8.3)



Existing overlap between the two hospital partners

Main Partners	Bedford Hospital	Both	L&D Hospital
Councils	Bedford Borough Council	Central Beds Council	Luton Borough Council
Commissioners	Bedfordshire Clinical commissioning Group		Luton Clinical Commissioning Group
Ambulance Provider	East of England Ambulance Service (EEAST)		
Trauma Network	East of England Trauma Network		
Neonatal Intensive Care Network	East of England (EOE) Neonatal Operational Delivery Network (ODN)		
Critical Care Network	East of England Critical Care Operational Delivery Network		
Education & Training	Health Education East		
Workforce Partnership	BLMK Local Workforce Action Board		
Community Provider	Essex Partnership University Trust <i>*ELFT from 1/04/18</i>		Cambridgeshire Community Services <i>*ELFT from 1/04/18</i>
Mental Health Provider	East London Foundation Trust		

Proposed timeline



*Subject to NHSI approvals process

Working better together to provide the best patient care



Mr Paul Tisi

Medical Director, Bedford Hospital

Consultant Vascular Surgeon
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How do we work together now?

- **Successful partnership for some clinical services**
 - Vascular Surgery
 - Head and Neck Cancer Services
 - Oral and Maxillo-Facial surgery
 - Neonatal Intensive Care (NICU)
 - Stroke Services
- **Screening services** for breast, cervical and bowel cancer

How could we work better together?

- **Better support to emergency departments** on both sites eg. Ambulance routing
- On-call rota **operating across all of Bedfordshire** for specialist services including emergency surgery and cardiology
- Better support for primary and community services – **a more integrated service**
- **Cover across 7 days** eg. Early Pregnancy Service

Having your say in your local hospital

- We are suggesting the name for the new integrated Trust is **Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**. Share your views via an [online survey](#).
- Are you a **Foundation Trust member** or if not, would you like to be? It's free to join and will help ensure we have the right representation of Governors.

Speak to the recruiting team or one of the L&D Governors if you are interested.

How to get involved

- Information is being shared with staff and other stakeholders – sign up for future updates
- Check the hospital websites for the latest updates
- Attend future briefings to stay up to date with progress
- If you have any queries about the proposal, please email merger@ldh.nhs.uk
- Share this information with your friend and family



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Questions

