# Stakeholder Briefing

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**Update: Shrewsbury Health and Wellbeing Hub preferred location now identified**

This briefing has been provided by NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin to provide an important update on progress for the Shrewsbury Health and Wellbeing Hub. Please contact: [mlcsu.involvement@nhs.net](mailto:mlcsu.involvement@nhs.net) to be added to our mailing list.

**Update Summary**

* Plans have taken a step forward as a preferred location for the Shrewsbury Health and Wellbeing Hub has been identified.
* The potential site location is next to the Shrewsbury Town Football Club and Lidl supermarket, on the Oteley Road, in Meole Brace, Shrewsbury.
* The site is currently owned by Lands Improvement who will be submitting an outline planning application shortly to seek approval for development.
* As a key piece of work, NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin is working closely with Shropshire Council to explore transport solutions, ensuring the hub would be linked into the transport system and easily accessible to patients.

**Engagement Update**

* We are currently concluding the second phase of engagement for the programme, which involved six focus groups with patients and the public to discuss the case for change and evaluation criteria.
* Having identified the need for further engagement with specific groups, we have four more focus groups planned and anticipate that these will be completed by the end of July.
* Following this, a report of our findings will be produced which will feed into the work of the programme team but will also allow us to begin work with our Reference Group. This report will be shared publicly on the ICB website:

[www.shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk](http://www.shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk).

* The Reference Group for the programme will comprise key representatives from our stakeholder groups. They will be asked to agree the desirable criteria, as highlighted in our focus groups, and will then decide on the weighting for each criterion to aid the evaluation of the programme scenarios.
* Reference Group members will also co-produce plans for consultation with the public later in the year.

**Background**

* NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin, alongside partners across the local health and care system, have joined forces to develop plans for a new, purpose-built hub aimed to bring a bigger and better range of health and social care services to local communities.
* The Shrewsbury Health and Wellbeing Hub would provide joined-up health and social care along with voluntary and community services, in a state-of-the-art building. The hub would include six GP practices and would be designed around the needs of the local population.
* The GP practices involved in the Shrewsbury Health and Wellbeing Hub are:
* The Beeches Medical Practice
* Belvidere Medical Practice
* Claremont Bank Surgery
* Marden Medical Practice
* Marysville Medical Practice
* South Hermitage Surgery
* Mytton Oak Surgery and Radbrook Green Surgery will continue to deliver their services from their existing locations but may choose to deliver some extended services from the hub.
* An Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) is being developed to determine the impact the hub’s location could have on patients, residents, and particularly vulnerable groups, with the aim of mitigating any negative impact.
* Details of the potential services that could be included within the hub are currently in development. Feedback from our engagement exercises has and

continues to feed into this work.

* The service model will aim to address the current issues faced in general practice, including rising patient demand, an ageing population with more needs, increasing patient numbers, and the recruitment and retention of staff.
* We will also ensure that the service model is co-designed with our patients and residents and meets their health and wellbeing needs.
* Some of the practices listed above have expressed their need to relocate due to outdated premises, the increasingly complex needs of a growing population and an increased demand for their services.
* Moving to a bright, modern, eco-friendly and purpose-built facility would help secure the long-term future of many of our practices, as existing sites don’t have enough space to accommodate services for the rising number of patients.
* We will be conducting a public consultation towards the end of 2022, information of which will be shared widely to allow people to have their say.
* For more details about the Shrewsbury Health and Wellbeing Hub, please visit: [www.shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk](http://www.shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk/).

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