

Whitchurch Development

Progress Report for Health and Wellbeing Board - February 2019

The Pauls Moss Project in Whitchurch is an innovative health and care development that seeks to support the community of Whitchurch by enabling people to live independently for longer, support people with long term conditions, create an environment where there is a much greater focus on prevention, provide a setting for the delivery of modern primary care services, enable enhanced primary care services to be delivered along with extended hours and integrated pharmacy services.

The project includes specialist housing accommodation, modern health care facilities that are fully integrated with other community services along with a community hub and state of the art assistive technologies has been progressing well. The areas of progress are identified within the sections below.

1. Summary of Progress

- Outline Business Case approved by the Primary Care Committee 2nd May 2018
- Shropshire Council approved the funding of the Medical Centre 25th July Cabinet and 26th July Full Council, subject to the Final Business Case
- The project continues to be a collaboration between partners
- An OJEU Notice was sent out during September 2018 to begin the procurement process for the building contractor, 26 responses were received
- A Standard Selection Questionnaire was sent out in December and 11 responses to this were received in January
- The Planning Application was submitted on the 31st December.
- Currently working through the planning process
- Currently preparing the tender documentation for the construction works

2. Design

The design has been progressed over the past year. This included two public engagement events where the public were invited to comment on the designs and account was taken of the feedback in progressing to the point of submitting for planning permission. Stakeholder events were also held to take into account the views of the stakeholders who are involved with the project.

The design now includes the following:

- Medical Centre with 21 consulting rooms
- Pharmacy
- 74 Extra Care apartments, for over 55's, (1 and 2 bedroom) all for affordable rent
- Private lounge, activity room and garden spaces for the residents
- Staffing facilities to accommodate the care staff to provide 24/7 on-site care
- Community rooms
- Restaurant/café



3. Next Stages

The next stages of the project are:

- Planning application determination – End of April 2019
- Tenders due out for construction works – End of March 2019
- Tenders returned – Mid June 2019
- Award tender – Early July 2019
- Start on site – August 2019
- Completion of construction works – July 2021

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