



Neighbourhood News

A newsletter from The Christie

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Welcome to Neighbourhood News

Welcome to the latest edition of Neighbourhood News produced by The Christie NHS Foundation Trust. This newsletter will keep our neighbours up to date with the latest developments and news from the hospital.

The newsletter is distributed to around 4,000 households and businesses in the local community and is issued every two months.

We hope you find Neighbourhood News informative and helpful.

If you have any feedback or views you would like to share about Neighbourhood News, then please email communications.team@ christie.nhs.uk

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Proton Beam Therapy Open Day



Proton beam therapy patients and neighbours of The Christie were among those who attended a special open day at the hospital on September 10th.

Visitors were given a tour of the site, and heard how development of the cutting edge treatment centre is coming along.

The Christie's proton beam therapy unit is due to open in 2018. It will be the first of its kind in the UK and means suitable patients will no longer have to travel abroad for this kind of treatment.

News from around The Christie



The construction of the proton beam therapy centre is progressing well.

Electricity North West has now installed its equipment in the new substation and has completed key cable pulls along Oak Road. In October the new substation will be ready to provide power to the proton centre building and treatment equipment in line with the project programme.

The treatment building is now constructed to first floor level with many sections of the second floor being completed at the rear of the building. The steel framed tower to the rear of the site is nearing completion and internal areas are being fitted out with key building and equipment plant. Construction of the steel framed building on the side of the building closest to Palatine Road will take place in the coming weeks.

Following agreement from Manchester City Council's planning and environmental health departments, our construction partner Interserve has extended its working hours to 7.30pm on a 'two weeks on, one week off' basis from 22nd August. This increases the working day by one hour on these occasions.

Occasionally, there will still be some noise later on in the day for those concrete pours requiring special finishes but we will continue to fully inform our neighbours about these as usual.

As always, we would like to thank our neighbours and the local community for their patience and support during this work.



Integrated Procedures Unit

The Integrated Procedures Unit is really moving apace and the erection of the whole steel frame to the building is now complete.

The shape and mass of the building can be clearly seen from outside the site and adds a neat curved shape to the face of the building. Work on the roof and walls will be progressing over the next month to allow the fit out of the space inside to commence.

The site team is working hard to keep Oak Road clear and coordinate all deliveries with the proton beam therapy centre project next door. The patient drop off and disabled parking area is working successfully and our car park team is keeping traffic flowing well.

The winning entries in the hoarding painting competition held with local schools are now on display down the walkway to the new temporary entrance number three.

Please come along and have a look, it provides a much improved view for our patients and visitors.







Paterson roof refurbishment

As part of our ongoing asset replacement programme, the roof to the Paterson Institute is to be replaced and this work is due to commence in October until March 2017. There will be scaffolding erected on parts of the building and for access and safety most site deliveries will be via our service roads.

MCRC News

Research goes public for Science in the City

Manchester celebrated being Europe's City of Science for 2016 in style with a packed programme of public activities at the end of July.

MCRC scientists did a fantastic job of raising awareness about the groundbreaking cancer research taking place across the city.

MCRC had fun activities about its work at Manchester Museum and the Museum of Science and Industry, brought conversations about science to the public in Piccadilly Gardens through Soapbox Science and even worked with fashion designers to create a unique exhibition at the Craft and Design Centre that celebrated Manchester's rich textiles heritage and cancer research expertise.

The festival was a great opportunity to showcase Manchester's research excellence and MCRC was delighted to be involved.



Green Travel



Tiered Car Parking

The Christie continues to work with neighbours, the council and its planning department to ease the impact of staff and patients working at and visiting The Christie. We have been working on many fronts over the last few years to improve the situation including park and ride, green travel plans, section 106 parking restrictions on local roads and improved car parking.

The Trust recently presented some concept designs to the Neighbourhood Forum and received a positive response to proposals increasing the parking spaces on site, by providing tiered parking for staff on some of our our existing car parks.

As part of The Christie's travel strategy, the Trust is considering the development of additional car

parking on the Golden Lion site on Wilmslow Road and the main staff car park off Cotton Lane. We are currently discussing outline proposals with our consultants to ensure that they minimise any impact on our neighbours and provide an effective solution to the Trust's existing and future parking needs. It is essential that these proposals are developed in line with public consultation and this will be starting towards the end of the year. The plans will then reflect the consultation prior to any planning applications being made.

The presentation given recently at the Neighbourhood Forum can be seen on The Christie website at christie.nhs.uk/about-us/our-future/our-developments/neighbourhood-forum/

Cycling to The Christie

It is great to see more and more members of staff cycling to The Christie and our improved facilities keep growing in line with demand.

A new cycle hub is being developed in Nathan House Courtyard, off Wilmslow Road, and it will eventually have space for more than 80 cycles.

There are also new shower facilities being provided at Nathan House, and they will be opening in October 2016. Work on additional showers is also in progress near the Palatine Road entrance to the hospital to complement the showers and cycle storage already in place.

The Christie supports all staff in having a healthy lifestyle and the growth in facilities for cycling to work is an example of this in action.



Christie Fields park and ride is now open

In July the new park and ride car park opened off Barlow Moor Road at the rear of the Christie Fields Premier Inn and has steadily grown in usage. The 100-space facility is popular with the staff using it, as the minibus now runs weekdays from 6.30am to 9pm.

User Rozalia Lubiatowskaof, from the lymphoma research team, said: "I think that park and ride is the perfect alternative to on-site parking. It's free and safe."

Annie Dewberry, divisional nurse manager, added: "Before the park and ride was available I spent every morning searching the streets for parking. Since I began using the park and ride service all the stress around parking has been removed as the service provided by the park and ride team is excellent."

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