



# ACCOUNTABLE OFFICER'S UPDATE

## November 2021

**Welcome to the Accountable Officer's Update for November 2021 with information on NHS programmes and service improvement across the city.**

### Next Steps for Integrated Care Systems

Work continues at pace as we transition towards the Integrated Care System. As I write, the constitution of the Integrated Care Boards (ICBs) is out for consultation across the country and the CCG Board is in the process of feeding back comments on the draft. The constitution of the Board is fundamental in how we are going to operate as an ICS, and the recent work to develop the Humber operating model will feed into that. As I have outlined previously, we have now identified the executive leads for the four Places, which includes Hull. From a Provider Collaborative and Place perspective we need to be focusing on our populations and the current executive leadership at local authorities will help us do this, in the interim.

I know that many CCG staff members are working on the due diligence and transfer of statutory responsibilities necessary for our Readiness to Operate Framework. We've made good progress in recent months and this is due to the hard work of the members on the five strategic partnership boards and CCG staff teams.

### Winter and service recovery

As we approach the Christmas period, this is going to be one of the hardest winters we are going to have to deal with, and I recognise NHS staff, as always, for their efforts with day-to-day system pressures. We need to do all we can as a health and care system to ensure people access the right places for help.

I was pleased to see the new city centre vaccination centre open this month in



Princes Quay, adding to the sessions that have continued to be provided by our primary care network teams, supported by volunteers.

The centre offers booster appointments seven days a week from 8am to 7.20pm. It's not too late to get your first jab – or even your second or booster jab and information is available at [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) help you book your appointment.

Our NHS primary care and community workforce, is still in the middle of delivering the largest vaccination programme the UK has ever known. We have both COVID-19 and flu circulating now, so it is important to get the right jabs to protect you, your family, and the people you meet. The flu vaccine is available now. It is safe, effective and protects millions of people each year. If you are eligible, you can make an appointment through your GP or pharmacy – whichever is more convenient.

### West Hull Health Hub construction complete

I was delighted to get to look around the brand new West Hull Health Hub which will soon be the new home for Springhead Medical Centre, replacing the outdated premises they have operated from for over 60 years.



We know that this building is an asset of strategic importance for the West of the city and it looks wonderful. When we bear in mind that the CCG has been in place for



only eight and a half years, I start to reflect that we have achieved more than we thought was possible. I'm proud to be able to deliver these kind of projects that make such a difference to our workforce and our patients' lives. It shows the skills and determination of our commissioning, executive and clinical teams pulling together and finding the resource.

Board member and Springhead Practice partner Dr Bushra Ali gave an emotional speech about what it means for Practice. This is a such a long-awaited development, which will integrate services under one roof. Everyone is looking forward to the next few weeks when the first patients use the building. Well done to the practice and CityCare, our development and construction partners. This is a fantastic new building to add to Hull's other outstanding healthcare facilities. You can read more at [www.hullccg.nhs.uk](http://www.hullccg.nhs.uk)



### Integrated Care Centre recognised in UK Parkinson's award

Since our last Board we have had the very sad news of the death of Jean Bishop. Jean Bishop was such an amazing woman who devoted much of her life to helping others. She didn't see herself as being elderly or frail, and certainly didn't let it hold her back with fundraising in the later years of her life.



Hull's Jean Bishop Integrated Care Centre has been in the news for more happier reasons as the Parkinson's team gained an award for outstanding care from the UK Parkinson's Excellence Network in late October.



Hull's "Parkinson's hub" was commissioned by the CCG. Members of Parkinson's UK were consulted and listed education, quick access to specialists, expertise from healthcare professionals and quicker medication changes as priorities for a new community-based, multi-disciplinary service offering comprehensive

assessments. The Hub, led by Consultant Geriatrician Dr Tom Mace now provides vital support to people with Parkinson's, their carers and their families in one place, preventing multiple visits to different clinical teams at different locations around the city. I know that Jean would be proud to see that the ICC has gone from strength to strength, offering the best experience of care for people with Parkinson's in Hull.

### Next generation

Away from work I attended the Hull and East Riding Business awards recently. It was great to see the Hull Children's University as nominated charity getting some well-deserved additional funding and recognition for the work they do. It was amazing to see a range of young entrepreneurs, proving that, even through the pandemic the entrepreneurial spirit is alive and well in Hull, generating good business and helping the recovery.

Also, I'd like to say well done to Chloe, Archie and Charlie (right) - the winners of our Neurodiversity



logo design competition in October, by popular vote. The new Neurodiversity service is due to launch across Hull and the East Riding early next year.

I had some quiet time for reflection last weekend as I went to pay my respects for the last time as Hull CCG Accountable Officer at the Remembrance Day parade. It was a lovely service with crowds lining the streets in Hull near the cenotaph. I was proud to represent NHS colleagues in Hull as we remembered the many people who have lost their lives in conflict over the last 103 years. They will not be forgotten.

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