

Partners reaffirm commitment to Whipps Cross vision

The organisations who are working together on the Whipps Cross Redevelopment Programme have agreed a new 'concordat' which reaffirms how they will work together to deliver their shared vision. Alwen Williams, Group Chief Executive of Barts Health said: Whipps Cross is such a valued asset for our community, and the agreement we've signed shows that we are all committed to delivering a shared plan to make the best use of the site for generations to come.

Whipps Cross Redevelopment Programme Partnership Concordat

The redevelopment of Whipps Cross Hospital offers an unprecedented opportunity to regenerate a unique site and create an integrated health, care and wellbeing campus. This has the potential to bring together a wide range of services designed around the needs of the local population, including housing, leisure and culture. Through the Redevelopment Programme we can develop new clinical pathways and realise operational efficiencies within an integrated care system, whilst also supporting economic regeneration and growth in North East London. Achieving such an ambition requires a genuine partnership between local authorities, clinical commissioners, healthcare providers and others in the wider healthcare system.

This Concordat sets out our mutual commitment to collaborate for the benefit of the patients and communities we each serve, in accordance with agreed principles. We will:

- participate fully in the Programme by sharing ideas and options at all stages, and ensuring that all views within each organisation are gathered and represented;
- identify and agree ways of co-producing development work with staff and local communities, so existing and future service users are fully engaged in the process;
- regularly feedback insight from stakeholder involvement, so that proposals set out in the business case come as no surprise to those with an interest in the outcome;

- take an active role in decision making, and proactively assess the impact of any proposals either on existing services or the people most likely to be affected;
- inform each other of any issues or other work programmes that might affect the delivery of the Redevelopment Programme at the earliest possible stage;
- act as ambassadors for the Programme, by raising its profile, promoting wider understanding of its benefits, and encouraging the sharing of lessons learned.

Between us we have agreed areas where each partner is best qualified to lead. We will review this Concordat annually.

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