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[Transforming Our Communities consultation - we want your views](#)



The CCG is consulting on three options to provide care for the population of Hambleton and Richmondshire who are struggling to manage at home, but who do not need an acute hospital bed.

These options are based on valuable feedback from the public, clinicians, the voluntary sector, social care and other stakeholders from engagement since 2013.

We want you to give your feedback on the options via our questionnaire or in person at our consultation events. Details of the events can be found on the CCG's website and more will be added as they are confirmed.

The following documents are now available from the CCG website:

- Full consultation document
- Summary consultation document
- Consultation questionnaire (online and link to a hard copy)

To access these documents and for more information please visit:

<https://www.hambletonrichmondshireandwhitbyccg.nhs.uk/transforming-our-communities>

[Our financial challenge video](#)



Click the image to play this video in your browser

We've put together a short video to help explain the financial challenges faced by the CCG and what we are trying to do to help. This video is also now available on our [website](#) - please help us share it.

Decision taken to restrict NHS prescription of Gluten Free foods



Our Governing Body has made the decision to restrict prescribing of gluten free

September 2016.

This is mainly due to a significant increase in their availability in the community, both in store and via home delivery services.

We would like to thank everyone who took part in our engagement over the last few weeks. It has been a valuable way of gathering patient, public and clinical opinion, including those from the British Society of Gastroenterologists and Coeliac UK.

We would like to reassure respondents that all individual comments were considered carefully and revealed that it is likely that some patients will be considered to be 'vulnerable'. This means that there is a genuine risk that they are, or will become undernourished if they do not receive these products on prescription.

We will be supplying GPs/pharmacies and other prescribers with new guidance as soon as possible and will also ensure a patient guide to these changes is made available from 1 September 2016. [Read more](#)

[Increasing coin confidence for people with dementia](#)



A simple method of helping people with dementia handle money with confidence has been introduced by South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Posters with images of coins and their respective values have been positioned around The James Cook University Hospital and The Friarage to act as memory aids.

Beth Swanson, Lead Nurse for Dementia, said: "We know dealing with money can be a problem for people with dementia so we created this simple poster as a reminder of the value of each coin. They're displayed near till points in our hospitals and will act as a handy reference for people with memory problems when handling cash."

[Your Health campaign winner](#)

[NHSE assurance rating](#)

The logo for 'Your Health' features the word 'your' in a red, lowercase, sans-serif font, positioned above the word 'HEALTH' in a larger, blue, uppercase, sans-serif font.The NHS England logo consists of the letters 'NHS' in white, bold, sans-serif font inside a blue rectangular box, with the word 'England' in a black, italicized, sans-serif font below it.

Thank you to everyone who completed the Your Health Challenge!

The competition closed last week and Janet Probert, our Chief Officer picked the winner's name out of the hat. Congratulations to local resident, Helen Goodwin who is now the proud owner of an iPad 4!

The Your Health campaign launched

We wanted to let you know that the CCG has been given an assurance rating from NHS England as 'Requires Improvement'.

The CCG is disappointed to be rated overall as "requires improvement" but pleased that the assurance process recognises our good performance in three of the five categories; a well led organisation, delegated functions and

Alliance continues to provide helpful information on local services and seasonal tips on staying well.

Find out more by visiting the campaign website: <http://www.yourhealthvoice.org/>

Temporary maternity move

The birthing facilities at The Friarage Hospital Maternity Centre will temporary move in August while essential maintenance work – and a bit of a make-over – is carried out.

For a short period of time, the service will transfer from its current first-floor location to the ground floor next to the short-stay paediatric assessment unit. This will be for an estimated three weeks from Monday 8 August.

Antenatal and post-natal services will continue to be provided as normal in the antenatal clinic, Maternity Day Unit and the community midwives `hub` on the first floor.

If you have any queries please contact South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust on 01642 854343. [Read more](#)

For more information as to why the CCG has been given this rating, please read our [full statement on our website](#)

Transport reminder

We would like to remind residents that the bus service known as the 'Shuttle Bus' ended on 30 June 2016.

There are a number of other transport options available in this area including the X80 – X90 bus service run by Abbots of Leeming.

This bus service stops in Northallerton outside The Friarage Hospital and runs through to James Cook University Hospital in Middlesbrough.

To download a full copy of the Abbots of Leeming bus timetable or for more information on other transport options, please visit our website:

<https://www.hambletonrichmondshireandwhitbyccg.nhs.uk/transport>

New YAS helicopter

Yorkshire Air Ambulance has unveiled a new, state-of-the-art helicopter that will take to the county's skies later this Summer.

The rapid response emergency service is replacing both its current ageing aircraft with the latest generation Airbus H145 helicopter.

It will become fully operational in a couple of months following a full medical fit-out and crew training. A second H145 has been ordered from Airbus and will be in service by Spring 2017.

[Read more](#)

Free online courses

Future Learn are a website offering a diverse selection of courses from leading universities and cultural institutions from around the world. These are delivered one step at a time, and are accessible on mobile, tablet and desktop, so you can fit learning around your life.

Course examples include; 'Supporting people living with long-term conditions' and 'Ageing Well: Falls'. Visit their website to find out more: <https://www.futurelearn.com/>

Change of details

The Bedale Podiatry line has been changed from 01677 458939 to **01423 542455** as they have moved onto the Harrogate telephone exchange.

The new telephone number for Harewood Medical Practice is **01748 876090**. Patients should have received a message about the change.

Dates for your diary

- **Saturday 6 August** - Transforming Our Communities consultation event - 9am - 4pm (Osmotherley Show, Home Farm, Thimbleby DL6 3PY)
- **Wednesday 10 August** - Transforming Our Communities consultation event - 8am - 4.30pm (Danby Show, Danby, Whitby YO21 2NP)
- **Thursday 11 August** - Transforming Our Communities consultation event - 10am - 12pm (Thirsk Health Centre, The Doctor's Surgery, Chapel Street, Thirsk YO7 1LG)

For the full list of Transforming Our Communities consultation events, please [visit our website](#)

Contacting your HEN Representative

As a member, you can directly contact your Health Engagement Network representative:

- **Hambleton** – Ken Elliott – hambleton.hen@nhs.net
- **Richmondshire** – Jane Ritchie MBE – richmondshire.hen@nhs.net
- **Whitby and surrounding area** – Linda Lloyd – whitby.hen@nhs.net

Please help us to grow our network! Membership forms can be completed online or downloaded from our [website](#)



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