

## **All Hallows Meeting Brief**

### **Meeting: Friday March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**The following statement and Q&A have been jointly written by the All Hallows Healthcare Trust and the health and social care commissioners, Norfolk County Council, Suffolk County Council, Great Yarmouth and Waveney CCG and South Norfolk CCG.**

#### Statement:

This is a statement made on behalf of All Hallows Healthcare Trust and the health and social care commissioners. We hope it will clarify the current position, explain what will happen now and hopefully address any concerns you may have.

Firstly, it may be useful to outline the situation about the possible closure and transfer of services of All Hallows Healthcare Trust.

The All Hallows Healthcare Trust is an independent trust and operates services under a board of trustees. Health and care commissioners are responsible for buying services that meet the needs of the community. In respect of All Hallows, the Great Yarmouth and Waveney Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and the South Norfolk CCG buy the health care services and Norfolk and Suffolk county councils buy the social care elements. All Hallows also provides services to those who pay for their own care.

Following the announcement of the likely closure of All Hallows, we are working hard to ensure that those currently receiving care will continue to do so with another provider.

The decision to close the trust will be solely made by the board of trustees. There is currently a 45-day staff consultation period, but no date at this stage when the transfer of care will happen.

We understand that this is a worrying time for everyone involved but want to offer our reassurance that the current level of care will continue, wherever possible, until alternative care provision is found.

The likely closure of the trust has come about because of its financial position and the fact that current reserves were running out.

As we would expect, there have been lots of questions in the community about what happens now. These questions include what will happen to those who currently receive care and also the impact on staff who are affected. We will do our best to answer these in full here.

Since the announcement made by All Hallows on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, more than 10 providers have expressed an interest in providing services.

This interest ranges from a desire to take on the entire health and care package currently provided by All Hallows, or a selection of services. All Hallows are moving swiftly to facilitate each of these interested parties in order to find the right provider as quickly as possible.

It our intention, that wherever possible, services will transfer to another provider with little or no disruption to those who currently receive care.

It is also our desire that staff will continue to work in the care sector. The impact on staff will be a key factor in any discussions with new providers as we work to ensure continuity of care.

We will continue to update everyone regularly. We thank you for your patience at this time – we appreciate that it is an unsettling period. Please be assured that we are working at pace to find the best solution.