

# Update on New Maryhill Health Centre

The new Maryhill Health Centre is being built on land on Gairbraird Avenue, not far from the present Health Centre, and will provide the local community with a modern building able to provide healthcare in the 21st century. Construction for the £12 million project will begin towards the end of 2013 and the new centre is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2015.

The new centre will incorporate four GP Practices, physiotherapy, podiatry, community dental services, district nursing, health visitors, community mental health services, youth health service and health improvement teams offering services such as smoking cessation support.



Pictured : artist impression of the new Maryhill Health Centre

Other services may also utilise the community consulting rooms offering local access to addiction services, specialist children's clinics and money advice.

## Creating a Vibrant and Welcoming Health Centre

The innovative design of the new Health Centre will deliver a modern, spacious, healthy environment with an inspiring and inviting civic space. This therapeutic environment is responsive to the needs of patient's, staff and visitors, by creating a calm and uplifting building, able to respond and adapt to changing needs.

In addition to providing improved and modern healthcare facilities, the proposed Health Centre could potentially open up the barracks wall surrounding the Wyndford Estate, by creating a notional and physical link to the canal network.

The internal street / atrium that runs through the heart of the building, linking Gairbraird Avenue and Kelvindale Road, encourages this journey.



Pictured : artist impression of the new Maryhill Health Centre

The full height atria, creates views to waiting areas and reception points on level 1 which will assist with way-finding in the centre. The skylights flood 'the street' with natural light, offering views to the sky, enhancing individual experience of the building by the positive use of space and natural light.

The building opens up and faces Maryhill Road and the local community through the projecting 'TV screen' to the upper two levels. Approaching the health centre from both Gairbraird Avenue and Kelvindale Road is via landscaped external plaza spaces with a mix of ramps and steps to improve access to the facility.

# Therapeutic Design and Art is at the Heart of the new Maryhill Health Centre

A well designed building can improve the mental, emotional and spiritual wellbeing of patients, visitors and staff. Its contributes to improving patient care, enhancing the quality of service, increasing job satisfaction for staff and reducing violence in the workplace and locality. Art initiatives also provide opportunities to local artists, service users, patients and volunteers to contribute to their community. Art and environmental initiatives are now routinely integrated into new and refurbished health buildings to ensure a therapeutic and welcoming environment.



Pictured : New Victoria Hospital Thresholds and Prospects, sculpture park with artist Calum Stirling

In order to integrate therapeutic design and art into the new Health Centre we will work with service providers, service users, existing arts and regeneration programmes in the local area to promote an 'art, archi-

itecture, health and wellbeing' dialogue. This will provide a focus for local arts and health professionals committed to inclusion of the arts in health and wellbeing initiatives to be involved in an arts strategy for the Centre.

## NHS Investment in new Health Centres in North West Glasgow

The West of Scotland Hub is a partnership between the public and private sector and has been introduced by the Scottish Government as the main vehicle for the funding of capital projects.

In March 2012 NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde made a successful application to the West of Scotland Hub for funding to replace the existing Health Centre in Maryhill. Every NHS capital project is required to progress through a three stage approval process - the Initial Agreement, the Outline Business Case then the Full Business Case.

Any funding agreed will be on the basis that the new facility would be built and ready for operation by April 2015. The Outline Business case to replace Maryhill Health Centre will be submitted at the end of May 2013.

## Keeping you up to date

We have involved patients, service users and targeted community groups in the design of the new Maryhill Health Centre by questionnaires, focus groups, and the option appraisal process to identify the best location for the new centre. As part of the planning process we will discuss the proposal with local Community Councils. The North West Public Partnership Forum is on the Maryhill Health Centre Project Board.

There will be a display about the new health centre design in Maryhill Health Centre, Maryhill Burgh Hall and an Open 'Drop In' Public Meeting on Wed 8 May 2013 in Maryhill Burgh Hall.

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