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Media Release

Join our virtual event in June to hear the latest updates on the Dyson Cancer Centre at the RUH

The Royal United Hospitals (RUH) Bath NHS Foundation Trust is hosting a virtual event this summer to share an update on construction of the Dyson Cancer Centre and answer any questions people may have about the new centre.

Those attending the session on Tuesday 13 June at 3.30pm will be able to hear from clinicians who will be moving to the new centre as well as Macmillan Cancer Support, the team managing the project, construction partner Kier and the RUH's Art at the Heart team.

The new centre is scheduled to open at the end of 2023. Once complete, it will provide a home for the majority of the RUH's cancer services, including oncology, chemotherapy and radiotherapy services and research teams, as well as a 22-bed inpatient ward.

Ros Helps, RUH Lead Cancer Nurse, said: "The Dyson Cancer Centre will really help us transform the way we are able to care for patients. Every effort has been made to design the best possible environment in conjunction with the highest quality equipment. Whether it's the bright and welcoming atrium, the spacious chemotherapy suite or the sensitively designed inpatient ward we've listened to those who use or work in these services to make sure the Dyson Cancer Centre can continue to support high quality cancer care for our community.

"But equally important are the skilled and dedicated staff who will be caring for patients in the new centre. Our teams are busy preparing for their new environment and new ways of working and we're so excited to be at this point, just a few months away from welcoming patients and their loved ones into this wonderful new facility."

"We know there is lots of interest in our new centre so this is a great opportunity for our community to catch up on our progress and have any questions answered."

The Macmillan Wellbeing Hub will be a significant feature of the new centre. This will be a non-clinical, calming space where patients, families and carers can receive practical and emotional support. Tracy Langton, Macmillan Cancer Information and Personalised Care and Support Clinical Nurse Specialist, will be on hand to outline what the hub will provide and answer any questions.

The new centre has been specially designed to provide a nurturing and therapeutic environment so interior design, the use of natural light, artworks and art installations all have an important role to play. The RUH's Art at the Heart Art and Design Manager Hetty Dupays will be sharing an update on some of the interior design work and specially commissioned art that will feature in the Dyson Cancer Centre.

Anyone with an interest in the new Dyson Cancer Centre is invited to join the virtual event taking place online on Tuesday 13 June from 3.30pm – 5pm.

A link to join the session on the day can be found here <http://www.ruh.nhs.uk/DysonLive> or book a free ticket and add the event to your calendar via the [Eventbrite site](#). Contact ruh-tr.capitalprojects@nhs.net if you'd like to raise any questions in advance.

The event will be recorded so those who are not able to attend the live session will be able to watch later at a convenient time. More information is available on the RUH website ruh.nhs.uk/DysonCancerCentre

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Notes to Editor:

At the RUH we're proud to put people at the heart of what we do, striving to create an environment where everyone matters. Everyone means the people we care for, the people we work with and the people in our community.

We provide a wide range of services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.

We also provide specialist services for rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME via the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases which we acquired in 2015.

In 2021, we acquired Sulis Hospital Bath, an independent hospital that provides care for both private and NHS patients. This has enabled us to provide more care for NHS patients, as well as continuing to provide private care to those who choose it. Any additional income earned through private care is reinvested in services for the benefit of the people we care for at both Sulis and the RUH.



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We're currently building a new Cancer Centre at the RUH. The Dyson Cancer Centre, which is set to open in autumn 2023, will help transform the care we provide for patients, families and carers.

We work closely with other health and care organisations as members of the Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board. We strive to improve the health and wellbeing of the people in our community by working together build one of the healthiest places to live and work.

We are rated 'Good' by the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk