

Partnerships in Action

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NHS Green Plans: Six months on...

It's been six months since the creation of NHS Green Plans. **Becky Jones, gbp's Head of CSR & Sustainability, is working with a number of systems, providing dedicated expertise to support them on their Green Plan journey.**

Becky has seen first hand that whilst the new ways of working are making progress in some areas more than others, progress is still being made. Becky commented:

"As the ICBs are becoming more established and governance within the ICPs and wider ICSs is developing, the Green Plan governance is finding its place within the new ways of working. This will grow and develop as each ICB/ICS reviews its governance processes over the next 12-18 months.

The focus remains on embedding the work processes as an overarching system, with delivery at Place, and ensuring sustainability is considered within the decision making processes.

Linkages to social value, anchor institutes and reducing health inequalities are stronger in some areas than others, but as things develop, and ICBs, ICPs, and ICSs become more confident, we will see a growing focus on how the Green Plan and sustainability practices are influencing thinking and playing a part in future governance discussions."

How is your Green Plan coming to life and are you happy with progress?

If you need a little extra support, we can help. gbp's tailored Social Value, Sustainability & Carbon Reduction support services have been designed to provide you with dedicated expertise to enable you to make real progress with your Green Plan journey and exceed NHS policy requirements.

Our service is bespoke, working with you in a way that meets your needs. This could be as a series of shorter projects or as longer-term embedded role working within your system, for as long as you need us to be. For example, like we have been with Cheshire & Merseyside ICB.

Read more about about how we can help you on your journey:

<https://www.gbpartnerships.co.uk/social-value-and-sustainability>

Case Study

Client: Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board

Timescales: Two year embedded role, 2021-2023

Services provided: gbp are providing an embedded role to lead on the delivery of the Greener NHS Programme across Cheshire & Merseyside

Impact: This work has helped to create structure and purpose for the Greener NHS and Social Value work across Cheshire and Merseyside.

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Improving patient access to essential NHS diagnostic services

gbp's expert and dedicated teams have been supporting the NHS in the planning and delivery for some of the first Community Diagnostic Centres (CDC's) opening across England.

One of the first of its kind to open, the new CDC at Finchley Memorial Hospital (FMH) is already increasing NHS diagnostic capacity and making it easier for people to access services in their community.

FMH CDC has been swiftly followed by Wood Green CDC, with gbp acting as Technical Advisors to the NHS. Wood Green CDC is a key 'spoke' within the wider North Central London diagnostic network. When completed it will provide Phlebotomy, Ophthalmology, Ultrasound, X-ray, CT and MRI services to the local community in a highly accessible location.

The new CDC has been retrofitted into a busy shopping mall on the ground floor and basement – a technically challenging design and construction task.

Read more here: www.gbpartnerships.co.uk/cdcdelivery



Case Study

Client: Finchley Memorial Hospital CDC

Client: North Central London Integrated Care System

Timescales: 2021-2022

Services provided: Strategic and technical feasibility through to delivery on site.

Delivery: Partnership working, delivery capability and flexibility of this existing high quality NHS LIFT facility have been critical factors in overcoming challenges and successfully delivering significant additional diagnostic capacity at pace.

Using a blend of in-house NHS delivery capability and access to a pre-procured supply chain, the partnership was able to work to deliver the necessary adaptations in tight timescales.

Impact: FMH CDC has grown from a single mobile CT scanner to include MRI, Ultrasound, Phlebotomy, Ophthalmology, Cardiology, Respiratory and Microvascular diagnostic services. In August 2022, one year into opening, the CDC saw its 50,000th patient.

How to fund projects when you don't have the capital

In the context of the government tightening purse strings for NHS capital schemes, there are likely to be plenty of priority projects across the NHS without a capital funding allocation over coming months and years.

NHS Trusts, Systems and GPs are continuing to innovate in partnership with the private sector and other public bodies to solve this problem.

In our session at the NHS Property Conference on the 9 November, gbp's Hugh Robinson will explore current examples of the commercial models being used to deliver multi-million pound projects. Hugh will look at sources of funding, lease structures, asset interests, the key players involved, procurement, the business case and their application in the context of Integrated Care Systems.

Hugh will also reflect on feedback from NHS partners and the impact of recent volatility in the financial markets. **You can contribute to the short survey here:** www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/gbpsurvey

Places for public sector delegate spaces are free, you can find out more and register here: www.publicsectorconnect.org/nhsproperty2022