



Health & Social Care Moray

Keith and East Locality Project

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What is the current position?

There is no change on this position in that there is currently **no funding identified** for the Keith Health centre facility.

The current commitment from NHS Grampian is to support the completion of the Initial Agreement stage of the business case only. Once the Initial Agreement document has been completed, this will then be considered by NHS Grampian's Asset Management Group as part of the health board's longer-term planning and prioritisation of capital projects for Grampian region.

What stage is the project at?

We are obligated to follow the Scottish Government's approach to business cases for health and care developments. This means there are a number of stages that have to be developed. Each of these stages will require endorsement from both HSC Moray and NHS Grampian, before submitting to the Scottish Government for approval.

There is a sequential process where each stage of the business case focusses on different aspects of the development and becomes increasingly detailed as the project moves on. The first stage is called the Initial Agreement, which is followed by an Outline Business Case, a Full Business Case, a Construction Phase, and finally the facility opening. This journey generally takes several years to complete, and is dependent on the right approvals **and** funding being made available.

We have started on the first steps of a long journey. Our focus is on delivering the Initial Assessment stage of the Business Case for a Health and Care Hub to replace the existing Keith Health Centre. This will focus principally on primary care, community-based and ambulatory services that are accessible locally and what is necessitated for the future.

What happens next?

A second and independent project is being planned. The focus of the second project is to review inpatient services across Moray, including Keith and Speyside. The projects will run in parallel, although they will be separately managed. There are interdependencies with the two projects and these will be closely monitored until such time as the outcome of each is defined.

More information will be made available on the inpatient services project as the project scope and approach is fully developed, including how and when you can get involved.

What is to happen next?

The purpose and objectives of the Health Centre and Community/Ambulatory Services project is to:

- Identify the ambulatory care services that patients access in the Keith Locality and the wider Moray area;
- Reflect on and integrate relevant findings from the Speyside review that take account of the needs of the Keith and Speyside population in terms of health and social care;

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<https://hscmoray.co.uk/keith-and-east-locality-project.html>

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- Consider the wider context within which any planning should take place and seek to bring together the broader vision for the health and social care system locally;
- Reflect on learning from the changes made to service delivery during the Covid 19 pandemic which has changed both national and local perspectives concerning models of patient care, and include these insights as part of the planning for the new Keith development;
- Identify the optimal model of care, by ensuring that it:
 - will deal with future surge and demand on services;
 - will provide better outcomes for patients and the needs of our vulnerable populations, and
 - services will be delivered in, or close to, patients' homes

To identify and scope the ambulatory care services that patient's access in the Keith Locality and the wider Moray area we have invited stakeholders from Keith patient participation group, TSI, Quarrier's, Scottish Ambulance, The Moray Council, Keith Health centre as well as a range of staff from Community Services, Health & Social Care Moray and NHS Grampian to the following workshops:

- Workshop 1: Need for Change & identification of investment objectives
- Workshop 2: Identify Benefits, Risk, Constraints & Dependencies
- Workshop 3: Developing the long list of options
- Workshop 4: Developing shortlist and preferred service option
- Workshop 5 & 6: AEDET Assessment & Design Statement

Engagement

Officers and advisors from Health Improvement Scotland & NHS Grampian will support the work of the Keith and East Locality Project Board in working together with a range of stakeholders to ensure active participation and communication as the project continues to develop.

Both projects, detailed in this newsletter, will work together with the Moray Integration Joint Board, NHS Grampian and the Scottish Government to find a funding solution for a comprehensive health and care model which meets the needs of patients and staff.

Project updates will be published on the HSC Moray website, or you can follow us on **@hscmoray** on Facebook.

In the intervening period, officers from Health & Social Care Moray will continue to provide support to Keith Health Centre and the Keith Locality as the projects progress.

Working together for change

If you would like to keep connected as a partner in the future of your own and your community's health and wellbeing, why not become a member of Health & Social Care Moray?

You'll be kept updated on our plans and service developments, the latest news on volunteering and recruitment, and opportunities to be actively involved in our work.

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