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# STEPPING UP



## Welcome

One minute video from  
Adrian Belton, Chair

## NEWS



### Stroke star

Our stroke services have been rated as the best in England. We came top, out of 224 stroke centres for our quality and performance, from treatment to recovery. [More...](#)

### Hello Helen

Helen Thomson started as our new interim chief executive in January, after Ann Barnes retired following four decades of public service at the end of 2017. Helen brings over 20 years Board experience, and the appointment of a permanent chief executive is currently underway. [More...](#)

## Ready and steady for Stockport Together

A huge amount of work continues to take place, as part of the Stockport Together partnership, to provide more services closer to people's homes. A consultation has recently taken place about the plans and you can read more [here](#)

Important new services are now in place in local neighbourhoods, with **Steady in Stockport**, a falls prevention and bone health service, the latest new service. [More...](#)

Greater Manchester Mayor Andy Burnham also officially opened the new **Transfer Hub** last autumn. This new facility is helping to get patients home from hospital quickly and safely, with the support they need. [More...](#)



Hear Caroline Drysdale, the **new managing director for Stockport Neighbourhood Care** summarise the plans to help keep people at home and independent for longer.

## Brilliant bowel cancer surgery



New figures show that Stepping Hill Hospital has some of the best results in the country for bowel cancer care. Our overall 90 day mortality figure is 1.1%, well below the national average of 3.2%. [More...](#)

## 'Inner space' diagnosis



Our gastroenterology team are now going 'inner space' to help scan people for intestinal problems. The advanced technology of a tiny capsule provides better diagnosis, and is also quicker and more comfortable for the patient. [More...](#)



### Royal open

Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Gloucester officially opened our £20m medical and surgical centre. The three-storey building houses over 120 beds for patients. [More...](#)



### Dressed and moving

Staff on our short stay older people's ward launched a 'Dressed is Best' initiative by swapping their uniforms for pyjamas. This is to highlight the benefit of patients getting dressed and moving where possible on hospital wards. [More...](#)



### Celebrating good practice

It was great to acknowledge outstanding teams and individuals at the Celebrating Stockport Good Practice Awards. You can read about the winners: [Here](#).

## Keeping Up the thanks

Some famous faces have recently thanked our great care. 'Keeping Up Appearances' actress Dame Patricia Routledge, Public Image Ltd. bass player Jah Wobble and BBC North West Tonight presenter Annabel Tiffin. [More...](#)



## Our upcoming events

**LOVE HEARTS:** health talk about heart disease - 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1.00pm - 2.00pm

**AS GOOD AS NEW:** health talk about joint replacement - 24<sup>th</sup> July, 7.00pm - 8.00pm

**TAKE A LOOK INSIDE:** tour of our radiology department - 18<sup>th</sup> September, 7.00pm - 8.30pm

**EYE OPENER:** health talk about eye sight and cataracts – 20<sup>th</sup> November, 1.00pm - 2.00pm

[Find out more and/or book a place](#)



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