

Fit for the Future - A new hospital for the Forest of Dean

South Forest (GL15, NP)

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Inpatient care:	10.4% (20)	18.8% (36)	24.0% (46)	43.8% (84)	3.1% (6)	192
Urgent care:	11.4% (22)	15.0% (29)	20.7% (40)	50.8% (98)	2.1% (4)	193
Diagnostic services:	11.5% (22)	28.6% (55)	19.3% (37)	35.4% (68)	5.2% (10)	192
Outpatient services:	13.0% (25)	24.5% (47)	19.8% (38)	39.6% (76)	3.1% (6)	192
					answered	193
					skipped	2

Please tell us why you think this, e.g. the information you would like us to consider (156)

1	As there is going to be a huge expansion in the number of houses in the Forest we will need more beds than we now have in Lydney and Dilke together. I also think there should be provision for maternity facilities and an operating theatre.
2	The proposed hospital significantly reduces services, below those currently available at Lydney and the Dilke! We need properly equipped and appropriate local services, not centralised empires!
3	Don't agree with your assumptions regarding capacity or accessibility from other parts of the FoD, such as Lydney
4	All services in one hospital will provide a better health care service - more efficient use of resources and deployment of staff.
5	I have tried getting numerous patients into community hospitals in the forest and have been unsuccessful due to insufficient space. I agree these beds should be for forest patients only but believe we still need the same capacity as is available between the two hospitals at present. As for urgent care I believe this is great but should be made 24/7 by doing this it would relieve some of the pressures put on Gloucester Royal Hospital and would reduce travel times for some patients.
6	I do not think there are enough local beds available with the ongoing ageing population and associated illnesses. I do not think there is a decent bus service to the area for staff or patients. I think individual rooms whilst helpful to a degree with infection control do not overall aid care or recovery. Patients are at risk as they do not get checked/seen as regularly especially when staff are busy or short staffed. Falls are more likely and patients often lack social interaction and this is necessary with regards to movement, mental health and motivation. The single rooms have not been popular overall at southmead and I have often heard patients and relatives state they felt it unsafe and unwelcoming. The hospital there had several departments which were perceived as too small from the start, including library:training and laboratory space. Outpatient departments are only useful if services are regular; there needs to be more pain control management and musculoskeletal clinics. Weight and movement clinics, autism support which is totally missing in the county and staff this end are poorly trained/informed-we had a weekly trip to Cheltenham which was well run but after the group sessions finished there was no ongoing support or place to contact. The trip to Cheltenham was difficult. Autism is largely undiagnosed due to poorly educated teachers and doctors who do not know how to spot the issues with higher functioning kids.

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7	I am from Lydney, so access to Cinderford isn't as simple as is being made out - on fact, it will be easier to go to Gloucester, especially during winter, or at night, as I would likely be a lone woman with a small child - I wouldn't be willing to drive through the forest should I need to due to the risk. The services mentioned are already available - I don't see why a new hospital is necessary when we already have perfectly functioning hospitals that just require a little updating						
8	With the huge increase in housing in the Forest we need far more beds than are available at present, especially with Covid 19 causing such a need for beds. I personally think Lydney should also stay open so that Coronavirus patients could be segregated in two separate places. Things are very different now we have this virus and there should be a rethink. All the other 3 are very important as they are used a lot by the elderly who find it a trek to Gloucester for every appointment.						
9	a fairly local facility is best						
10	Previous consultation has evaluated that 24 beds are not sufficient and GCS promised more than that number. Urgent care does not need a hospital setting. Diagnostic services are available with a new x-ray facility in Lydney (waste of public finances to establish a new unit). Endoscopy suite is available but not facilitated since years; what is proposed to ensure it will be used?? Outpatients rooms are available at Dilke and Lydney Hospital but not used at all, services have been withdrawn.						
11	FOD needs a well equipped hospital due to the distance by road it will take to get to Gloucester granted by Google we aren't far but in reality we are a good hour away						
12	I am concerned that all rooms are now to be one bed en suite. You acknowledge that a lot of in-patients will be elderly. Many are lonely, stressed or suffering from dementia. In my experience with my mother, being left alone for long periods of time does nothing to help their mental health and safety. If the rooms need to be separate for ongoing Covid-19 reasons, could some way of communicating between rooms be provided? Perhaps a lockable hatch or door? When I was on a ward in hospital, we helped those who were less able with things like feeding themselves, or just included them in conversations if they didn't have visitors. Staffing levels are never going to be enough for them to provide companionship to patients, as well as medical care.						
13	This is too centred on the services for the North Forest and not enough consideration has been given to those who live in the Lydney area and elsewhere well removed from Cinderford.						
14	Retain outpatient services for long term/acute conditions and children's services. The frequency of appointments needed for some of these conditions will make regular travel to Gloucester prohibitively expensive for some patients in what is an area of high deprivation.						
15	It will cater for those in the north of the Forest only.....many people on the A48 corridor currently served by Lydney Hospital will not benefit from the new facility due to transport and access issues.....						
16	Lydney needs it's own Hospital						

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17	<p>I can get my dad who has Parkinson's to Lydney Hospital easily and quickly if necessary.</p> <p>My mum passed away last year at Lydney hospital from secondary breast cancer and was a total god send that we could be so close when we needed to be.</p> <p>If this service moves to Cinderford the people of Lydney may as well go to Gloucester for treatment considering how far away it is.</p> <p>It's impossible for my dad to get on a bus, let alone getting the continued funding for a bus service required to get people from Lydney to Cinderford and there was no mention of how you was planning to fund a bus service.</p> <p>My mum also used the mobile chemo service at the Dilke, this was also a lot easier to get to compared to Cheltenham, however, it had no or very little public transport available for people from Lydney.</p> <p>Your plans look very nice but this does not serve the needs of the residents of Lydney as we have better transport links to Gloucester.</p>						
18	The positioning of the new hospital will not be easily accessible to about 1/3rd of the population. The proposed number of in patient facilities are too small, being half of what currently exists.						
19	I seriously doubt the modelling for in patient beds. In an ideal world would be given at home but there are serious risks to this assumption and a loss of 10 days max. Staffing is a key risk - particularly in nursing.						
20	Cinderford is too far from the southern part of the Forest of Dean as the only urgent care centre						
21	I live in Lydney						
22	already provided needs to continue						
23	Keeping the number of beds to 24 in the light of a growing and aging populations will required excellent community care and home based end of life care. If this is not available more beds may be required.						
24	They need a place in Lydney Cinderford is to far fir people to travel too if they have rely on public transport						
25	There are numerous patients from the forest area in hospitals outside the area atm, with all these new houses being built throughout the forest there is no way 24 beds will cover the 'locals' needs. Same applies for urgent needs. There needs to be a second emergency care unit at Lydney, where the majority of the population live and also has far easier access for those without their own transport. Getting everyone to Cinderford with the poor public transport and near impassable roads during the winter will cause more accidents and patients! We all know that time in Ugent care is just that, needs to be urgent, including getting the patient to the facilities.						
26	With the ever growing population around the Forest Of Dean & you want to build a hospital with fewer beds is beyond me, Gloucester and Cheltenham can't cope now. I think it's absolutely ridiculous						
27	Increasing homes in Lydney and surrounding areas means that the service at cinderford would not benefit south forest. I strongly agree that Lydney should be able to keep the facility at Lydney hospital and work in partnership with the cinderford site. During winter months the road to north forest is often difficult, whereas Lydney is off a main A 48. I believe the decision was not made to include south forest and our increasing population.						
28	<p>Lydney has expanded massively over the last few years.</p> <p>Unfortunately the proposal to move amenities to Cinderford which is inaccessible from many places in bad weather and is off the main A48 is ludicrous.</p> <p>The additional time spent getting patients through forest toads to intensive care units at either Gloucester or Bristol will mean many lives will be be lost</p>						
29	The point of an urgent care unit is just that. An extra 20 minute drive to Cinderford from anywhere past Lydney is ridiculous.						
30	One hospital isn't good enough for this area						

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31	Has anyone thought about how long it takes someone who is in a dire situation to get to cinderford without the use of an ambulance. Obviously not otherwise you wouldn't even be considering doing this u would be looking at how to improve both community hospitals.						
32	No options for those living the bottom end of the forest , Lydney needs to be a minor injuries unit . There will be no coverage for us ,						
33	There is less provision than we currently have and the area is growing, with more and more new housing developments and an increasing population. Cinderford is know for very white winters so will not be accessible to everyone. The forest roads can be very dangerous due to the amount of wild animals, making Cinderford the wrong place to put it. There is no bus service in the evening so unless you have a car you will not be able to get there.. We need to keep two provisions to cover the whole area and the amount of people.						
34	Transport links from Lydney to Cinderford are not great. The roads can be hazardous during the bad weather						
35	Lydney has alot of heavy industry, getting to Cinderford with the roads in the Forest of Dean will take far too long. Having personally used Lydney when I had a myocardial infarction, I do not know where I would be without it.						
36	Open 24 hrs for urgent care						
37	The population in the south of the Forest is growing rapidly and I feel placing these services on the outskirts of Cinderford is a poor decision. There is mention of possibly providing some of these services such as Urgent care in the south of the Forest and I feel that this is really important as access to the new site will be very difficult for the residents in the south particularly during the winter months when the North of the Forest has more problems with bad weather.						
38	Number of beds						
39	We need our community hospitals as people without cars can't use non existent buses						
40	I will only truly believe you will be able to provide all of the above when the plans for Lydney health centres are agreed. I am assuming patients will be able to access many out patient services there too. The Forest of Dean and Severnside has greatly expanded and still is, you are offering less beds. What about our elderly with mental health issues that have to go to Cheltenham. Provide services across the board in our local towns. Stop staff having to travel so far and more importantly stop poorly people and their relatives having to travel. What has happened with dementia patients is inhumane. Spouses can't pop up and down to Cheltenham every day. It will be even worse if local people can't come back here to be cared for. The site chosen is no where near big enough unless you adapt one of the other hospitals for people to return to. I agree a new hospital would be cheaper to run and they lay out will be enable safer working practices. Just please take into account the growth of the local population.						
41	Sabot enough facilities to care for all of the Forest.						
42	Lydney needs minor injuries as difficult to get to Cinderford, but ok for scheduled appointments.						
43	We have 2 wonderful hospitals already all you need to do is update . Save our hospitals dont destroy more of our communities.						
44	This hospital will not provide services for all due to the rural site of the forest of dean...we need three...lydney..dilke..who are placed so that all can access one hospital fairly in time and distance and another to meet the increased population and need for more advanced services..common sense..simple! Please wake up and stop this emperor and his new clothes nonsense...use sense..we are not fools. Less beds ..one hospital makes no sense. Already crises are occurring all over the country due to boards and powers not listening and seeing sense!						
45	Saves on travelling						
46	The population of Lydney (and indeed the Forest) is expanding, and this centralisation is going to cause a disadvantage to the citizens of Lydney and the surrounding areas. Cinderford and its locality (Newent, Mitcheldean etc) are far closer to Gloucester than Lydney. This leaves the Lydney end of the Forest further away from a hospital than anywhere else in the Forest!!						

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47	Need more beds location of the proposed hospital is not going to be accessible to the majority of people						
48	Need more beds , the time for minor injuriesto be adjusted to 12pm as it a pain having to go to gloucester just for a minor injury. Mor urgent care falcities. More range of treatment facilities and caring facilites too						
49	Lydney is growing on population so it's hospital needs to stay.						
50	The planned closure of our community hospitals is an insult on the people of the Forest of Dean. The majority of respondents to the last consultation were not in favour of the closures.						
51	Road suitability. Cinderford is close to gloucester anyway. Look at how quick road time in a car is from Lydney to gloucester and cinderford to gloucester. Lydney if further and the road from parkend to cinderford is unsuitable for loads of traffic hidden dangers of animals dangerous bends not many overtake spots for emergency vehicles						
52	I do not believe that any spare capacity in terms of beds will be reserved solely for FOD residents. Therefore a reduction in bed numbers will result in less availability for residents. The removal of all services in Lydney is a disgrace. Inpatient beds are not a great concern but the removal of outpatients, minor injuries and imaging definitely is. The transport network means it would be quicker for many Lydney residents to attend GRH instead of Cinderford. I also worry that during winter months Cinderford will be inaccessible to staff and patients if it snows.						
53	Location						
54	The population of Lydney is ever increasing as a result of new housing estates. I am very worried the influx in population will not be supported by the cinderford hospital. In addition to this, lydney hospital supports and provides care for those patients in the wider area eg woolaston etc - providing an urgent service without the need to travel to Gloucester. As my nan was recently in the care of lydney hospital, i can vouch for the great accessibility and staff which work there, providing a local service where my nan knew the parents of staff etc and felt safe in her home town facility. If anything, i would vote to develop and expand the content lydney facility to be able to cope with the further need and increased usage of the services provided. It will also keep local jobs for those who may have worked at the hospital for many years.						
55	The transport provisions proposed will not support people in Lydney and reduction in the total number of beds will mean a greater reliance on Gloucester!						
56	Number of beds being only 24 for the whole area doesn't seem enough. You say that people from out of the area won't be using those beds but how can you guarantee this ? I live in St Briavels and am concerned about the lack of transport links to cinderford for people without transportation. It is much easier and cheaper to get a lift to Lydney. More diagnostics and minor surgical procedures would be welcome to save the trips to Gloucester or Cheltenham. Urgent care remaining in Lydney would be welcomed.						
57	Putting a hospital in Cinderford will add precious time for urgent care for patients in Lydney. The new hospital needs to have 24 hour cover						
58	Too far from home, nothing for Lydney. Both lydney doctors are always busy have to wait weeks for an appointment and if I'm emergency it'll be drive for help not good enough. We have lots of new houses being built by high field hill and by JD Norman and nowhere for them to get medical care as our doctors are always busy and when lydney hospital shuts no where in lydney to get emergency medical care! It's not good enough really!						
59	I am concerned that it makes it harder for people in the Lydney area to get to hospital when the require it without a long trip						
60	WE NEED LYDNEY AND DILKE AND THE NEW ONE. THE FOREST POPULATION HAS INCREASED. OLD HOSPITALS ARE EACH END OF THE FOREST FOR FAIR ACCESS TO ALL OF US AS IN A RURAL AREA THIS IS NECESSARY AND OUR RIGHTS TO ACCESS.						
61	Not enough inpatient beds						

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62	Large part of community live towards Lydney. When faced with a simple emergency (bee sting, heart attack, large cut) out only hope is to drive on slow roads - we would not stand a chance. At least a facility in Lydney is accessible to a lot of people quickly.						
63	lydney will be the biggest town in the forest and therefore needs the appropriate facilities to provide all health care which it won't have with the new proposals. This can't be right it will leave us with less than we have now. Also the forest roads are not good in the winter months. I am 70 a widow and don't drive so it really worries me. We need both hospitals they are in full use now and Lydney is growing fast!						
64	Lydney is expanding, we will be at a loss without Lydney hospital						
65	We need to keep the hospitals that we already have that care for the community quickly and with care. These are local hospitals that are on the doorstep and are used and needed and save lives.						
66	Lydney hospital is super important for people like me, I can't drive and I have 4 children. The buses to anywhere are practically impossible and I can't afford a taxi to Cinderford or Gloucester for a hospital visit. It would be detrimental to the health of myself and my children						
67	Less beds, and in one location, whereas at the moment we have more over two locations						
68	Lydney needs a hospital in its own town to continue						
69	Transport and location is the biggest issue especially for anyone without a car .						
70	I do not agree that you should close lydney hospital. We need the hospital						
71	There are two perfectly functioning hodpitals in the area already why waste millions when you can update these two well used and well loved hospitals built for the peoples of the F.O.D. area does not make sense						
72	We are in need of the new hospital plus the two existing. We have massive population explosion with thousands of new houses being built and no extra facilities to cope with them. Each of our hospitals provide great care. Replace with just one with less beds is totally unacceptable. We need all three Your new one will reduce not raise the level of care						
73	I disagree with this statement as firstly the proposed route you have announced only has one hospital in the equasion. The Forest of Dean needs at least two hospitals, because of the demographics of the district. It was stated in the citizens jury that people should be able to access health care within 20 minutes, how can people from the border areas such as Sedbury get to Cinderford in 20 minutes! The plans state the hospital as having 24 in patient beds, this is no where near enough to cover the whole district. The public transport system around the Forest is far from adequate and how will people access the new hospital, without that! The reduction in services locally because of only having one hospital will put more pressure on community nurses						
74	Nothing wrong with the two we have!!!!!!						
75	I have lived in Lydney my whole life, the amount of times I have had to goto Lydney Hospital has been quite a few times and it has been a god send, As a non driver there would be no chance I could get to Cinderford in an emergency. Lydney hospital is convenient especially with the growing population of new housing around the area, I think it would be extremely foolish to shut the hospital and also not helpful for the local residents at all. Plus it would take the pressure off the hospital at Cinderford. The hospital has been a staple to local residents since I have been a little girl, especially with the fete they had too, and I think it is a big part our the local heritage.						
76	The district needs two hospitals lydney is the forests growing town and a trip to cinderford takes too much time. This extra time could have significant impact on people's well-being and the Decision is a disgrace						
77	Weneed a hospital that can cope with emergencies Gloucester hospital is so far away. If e do get a new hospital it must be state of the art and not just a upgrade one like we have now						

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78	Elderly and disabled people do not always have access to transport. At best the public transport from Lydney to Cinderford can be described as diabolical, and that is on the assumption that they are physically stable and well enough to get to the bust station !!						
79	A very limited opportunity to comment having not seen any physical data. As I work within a NHS urgent care role I'd like to see more opportunity for SDEC conditions to be managed in the community. The transport links are also notoriously appalling in the FoD and therefore proposals need to be in conjunction with a larger transport plan.						
80	Lydney needs a hospital with all of the new houses being built and plans for further housing						
81	Won't be much use to us here in Lydney. We spent hours and hours and hours talking to the mobile vol workers before this was all done & filled in everything in sight. I will hopefully NOT use the one in Cinderford. I have to rely on a bus or my hubby to drive me. So , it's a no no from me.						
82	I am sure I am wasting my time filling in this consultation form because the majority of people in the Forest didn't want to lose either Lydney or Dilke Hospitals but the consultation was completely ignored. Forest people will not get the services we have now if we only have one hospital. People in the south of the Forest need to be able to still have the services of the hospital in Lydney. For a start they have a state of the art XRay dept. paid for by us the public which should be retained.						
83	The FOD is a rural area with very basic public transport services (and none in the later evening/overnight) - accessibility is key. Lydney is a fast growing community - we have 2 small GP practices and Lydney Hospital for peripatetic consultations/physio etc - the latter will disappear. Cinderford will have a new district hospital and already has a large GP hub. It is all a bit unbalanced!!						
84	There will not be enough beds for inpatients. The urgent care is not open late enough. 10pm would be a better closing time. Gloucester is not accessible and wait times huge						
85	Cinderford is not the "ideal" location for this hospital. It is not central and a long way from Lydney, which is the fastest growing area. I disagree that bed provision should be reduced by half. Local health services are not expanding in these distant areas and we need a health hub in Lydney.						
86	Without al local service the nearest hospital is Gloucester.						
87	The hospital is situated to far away from residences who live on the outskirts of Gloucestershire Forest of Dean area						
88	With only one hospital in the FoD you are taking away a major medical service. Travelling from Lydney to Cinderford is long and often dangerous especially during winter periods . Also, from Lydney it is quicker to get to Gloucester by public transport than it is by road and so will have a huge impact on those who are visiting patients or have an outpatient apt.						
89	It is a given that all these provisions should be available within the FOD area so as to 1) provide the best care for the FOD & 2) alleviate the workload on Gloucester & Cheltenham Hospitals.						
90	There is not enough information on how people in the South of the Forest can access urgent care swiftly. There is still an unacceptable commute to the larger hospitals for women in labour.						
91	I live in lydney and have used our a & e lots of times in my life and feel that we should have an a & e in lydney						
92	To far away from lydney and surrounding area and especially difficult to get there in winter						
93	Regarding in patient care I think you need to re think about the number of beds as 24 is lower then the two hospitals it is replacing. Urgent care you need to look at extending opening hours to 11 pm the same as the other hospitals pre covid-19						
94	I think Lydney should have more services and the hospital still there. We have the most houses being built and easy for people to get to						

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95	If the two cottage hospital are used for elderly care why not build a really good one on the bypass at Lydney with easy access to Gloucester and Bristol the forest needs a bigger unit with all new houses give us a decent quality hospital						
96	More beds needed. A maternity unit needed. Major point there needs to be a provision in the Lydney area. The road infrastructure is not good enough into cinderford especially in bad weather						
97	The new hospital is located on an isolated site which is difficult to access especially from the South Forest area. This is especially true in difficult weather conditions. This is especially true for people who cannot drive. Public transport is poor at best. I am not encouraged by promises to improve it. I doubt they will come to fruition. They never have in the past.						
98	We need two have more hospitals not less due to the population increase alone. We need fair access from both ends of the forest. This is why our forefathers put one in cinderford and one in lydney years back...its called common sense. Gloucester is already overstretched due to closures in Cheltenham...when will you wake up and act for the people..what you are proposing stinks and will leave many of us without resources nearby! How the hell do some of u sleep at night! PLEASE USE SOME COMMON SENSE..LETS HAVE ALL THREE!						
99	Transport infrastructure to Cinderford which health authorities has no control over is appalling from the south Forest at any time but particularly in the winter on top of which there has been higher increase in population in Lydney and South so reduction to these services being only provided in Cinderford would be catastrophic						
100	The population of the southern region of the Forest is growing rapidly as more homes are being built all the time. This will inevitably increase demand for access to urgent care, diagnostics and outpatient services, and as public transport links are poor in the area, people living in the south of the forest will struggle to access it. The nature of the landscape means that even people with cars will struggle at times. It leaves us in no better position than having to travel to Gloucester. It would therefore not feel very much like a 'community' hospital for people in the south of the district, where people would feel like their community facilities had simply been removed!						
101	The loss of the minor injury unit in Lydney is really significant. With a large number of sports teams the unit is frequently req on a Sat and Sun to deal with minor injuries. As was pointed out (and ignored) in the last consultation situating the new hospital in Cinderford means that the main population centre of the Forest of Dean will be without Urgent care facilities. If you have to drive to Cinderford you may as well drive to Gloucester						
102	The informaiton driving the amount of inpatient beds is based on historical data and averages rather than specifics and forward planning for an ageing population with a high level of comorbidities, higher than average level of obesity and higher level than average number of people receiving disabled benefits. I understand the need for providing other options to inpatient care, but the consultation does not put numbers onto the amount of first responders or community care staff. A lot also depends on 111 number and primary care, neither of which can currently cope - so ti appears to be jsut passing the problem. If fewer beds and services are to be supplied then the approach to this should be to build a new healthcare service for the Forest of Dean not a new hospital.						
103	Taking into consideration the distance to hospitals outside of FOD urgent care should be made available 24/7.						

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104	As a disabled person who lives in lydney it is vital for myself and others like me who do not drive, do not always have others who can take us to hospital appointments to have a hospital that is in our town and easily accessible as and when it is needed. It is vital that we have a local hospital in order to get care in an emergency that isnt further afield from where we live. Without lydney hospital and the Dilke I personally would not have been able to get the help and treatment to aid my disabilities as my only other option was gloucester hospital which wasnt practical as i have to rely on my grandad who is 79 to take me to appointments there as with my disability I am unable to drive myself and he is the closest relative I have who was able to take me most of the time but with his age I didnt want to have to rely on him to take me everywhere all of the time so I asked for appointments as often as I could at lydney hospital so I could possibly attend my appointment either on my own using my mobility scooter, on the bus or by taxi or by asking either my mum or my partner to push me up there in my wheelchair which is far more practical. Over the years I have used lydney hospital for sessions with my orthopedics, attended specialist appointments with muskap, had several courses of physio therapy and been treated with a nebuliser for my asthma. That is why it is my opinion as how important lydney hospital and the dilke are to the forest of dean community. I have spoken to dozens of people since the proposal of a new hospital on this topic and not one person has agreed about a new hospital they all want to save the hospitals we have now. Another issue is using public transport in the forest of dean to attend hospitals. Bus services on average finish around 7 - 8pm which is good if you are going to hospital in the day time but anytime after would be extremely difficult to travel to go to the hospital if you do not drive so a new hospital will not stop this issue and trains to gloucester run later than the buses so if necessary people would find it easier to go to gloucester hospital than to the new one and as you know gloucester hospital is already under a lot of pressure as it is without more people from this area heading there and also if someone caught the very last bus to go to the new hospital would end up stranded there and taxis are quite expensive. So having lydney hospital and the Dilke is far more practical. Our other concerns are the fact when built this hospital will have far less beds than lydney and the Dilke combined which again could also mean that many others will have to go to gloucester hospital and take up more of their resources and add to the pressure and finally lydney and other areas in the forest are currently growing with new housing developments which would mean a massive increase in population which in turn would mean there will be far many more people needing hospital treatment and the new hospital wouldn't have the capacity of beds and resources to cope with that amount of people so therefore a new hospital is impractical and lydney hospital and the Dilke are more practical						
105	I like the sound of more diagnostic and outpatient services but I don't understand how the current bed capacity in Lydney/Dyik sites in a growing community is going to satisfy needs. Whilst some of the current beds are occupied by non Forest people how many Forest people are accommodated in other community hospitals outside of the Forest. If our capacity is being almost halved how does this track to lost capacity throughout Gloucestershire over the last (say) 10 years? At worst I think there's should be capacity to build further accomadation at a later stage if the 25 beds is inadequate.						
106	I live in Aylburton, my neighbour does not drive, one hospital in Cinderford would not be local for us. My mother in law is at the moment an inpatient at the Dilke, I know of more than one forest resident who has been moved to Stroud community hospital. In what world do we need fewer impatient beds, especially with all the extra housing being built.						
107	I would have liked more info about COPD clinics and asthma services. The GP out of hours does not work in the forest as it nearly always requires an appointment in Glos. Travel to Cinderford is not easy within the forest - no taxis and poor public transport. More diagnostics locally would be great. What about cancer care, as currently that is mostly Cheltenham or Bristol - a long journey back after treatment.						
108	A full range of outpatient services including X-ray, scanning and endoscopy is welcome to reduce environmental effects of many patients travelling to Gloucester as opposed to few health care professionals travelling to FOD. Not happy about lack of provision for urgent care in Lydney.						
109	I live in Woolaston and without the hospital minor injury dept in Lydney hospital it would take me to long to get to A&E. Lydney hospital has been a godsend to us here in Woolaston.						
110	I feel that the amount of beds that would be available to patients will not meet the needs of the population of the area,urgent care needs will not be met						

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111	While the 24 beds may be adequate I think the public should be allowed to see more of the analysis which lies behind this calculation. I don't think the urgent care centred in Cinderford will meet the needs of the residents of Lydney especially in Winter. Diagnostic services in one place should not preclude x ray in Lydney which needs ready access and already has a state of the art facility funded by local people. Some outpatient services could be duplicated e.g physio						
112	People who have no access to transport especially those in Lydney and surrounding areas will not be able to get to the hospital, especially in the winter where there is ice/snow and Cinderford becomes unaccessible						
113	The people of Lydney deserve and need to keep our Lydney Hospital. Travelling up to the proposed hospital will be impossible for many of the ill and elderly. Lydney's population is growing and the new hospital will have fewer beds than those currently offered by Lydney and the Dilke. Care homes are already full and fewer beds in the Forest will mean that many people will end up bed blocking in Gloucester Royal Hospital as there will be nowhere else for them to go.						
114	More beds needed.						
115	I cannot agree with your argument that fewer beds are needed at the new hospital, our population is growing fast and we also have an aging population. How much will buying beds in care homes cost as compared with having a hospital bed for a patient. The care in the community proposals sound good in theory as long as they are backed up by sufficient resources ie Money and staff						
116	Easy access to urgent care services for Lydney and surrounding areas will be key. Single rooms for inpatient services, can be isolating, how will this be mitigated.						
117	Lydney is our local hospital which we have used over the years for A&E and various outpatients appointments. The Doctor surgeries also sometimes suggest visiting A&E rather than going to the surgery. If Lydney hospital was no longer used then patient care for people in the Lydney and local areas/villages would be significantly compromised and depleted as the travel time to Cinderford from Lydney and villages is comparable to that to Gloucester. I believe more pressure would be put on the Lydney/Gloucestershire ambulance provision and drs surgeries and the loss of a historic community facility making healthcare for everyone from all ages more challenging to access. Lydney and villages are developing and growing yet fundamental community, potentially life enhancing and saving provision is being lost. Particularly in this time of pandemics isn't it worth keeping communities within their own community, where possible, to stop spread and keep everyone safe?						
118	The logistics of travelling to Cinderford from the south of the county are difficult at any time but especially in winter.						
119	Cinderford is highest point n the forest and often cut off in winter by snow wehave to travel to gloucester now for urgent care we need more local hospitals not huge megoliths and token small unmits						
120	24 bed?? Only if increased funding + + + + to Community Care Teams. Single en suite rooms probably best. Blood tests to be analysed on site. Sending to Glos Labs to be analysed causes delays to diagnosis and treatment. (Obviously some more complex tests would need to go to larger Lab. X Ray - 8-8pm ok. Primary, Secondary Care and GPs ALL to have swift access to X Ray results via comparable, linked computer systems. Ortho and Neuro and Respiratory O/P appointments would be REALLY useful if the hospital was to have an effective REHAB role.						

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121	The reduction in the number of beds for inpatients, especially with the large increase in the number of new houses being built in the south of the district. The location of the hospital, making it very difficult for those that live in the south of the forest to access. Local transport services are very limited and there is no indication that this will be improved.						
122	The distance to travel to the new hospital from Lydney and its surrounding villages is too great for ""Urgent"" care One could bleed to death before arriving.						
123	24 beds is not enough. There may be some people outside the Forest in Dilke & Lydney at the moment, but discounting them does not make 24 enough. There are proposals for a huge housing development at Newent. There are 100s of houses being built NOW in the south of the Forest - Sedbury, Tutshill, Lydney. We in the south feel ignored when you have been assessing what's needed in the new hospital. For us getting to Cinderford is a nightmare. The roads are narrow and full of cyclists, tourists and heavy lorries bound for industrial sites at Coleford. There is a heavy haulage company in Tidenham using the B road on a daily basis. So we take the A48 to Lydney but still have to take the narrow Forest roads to Cinderford. Cinderford had a sprinkling of snow on Saturday. It will be an horrific journey from here to Cinderford in the darkness of winter. Buses are very rare from here to Cinderford. You plan a bus stop - the question is, will there be any buses to stop there? With what frequency and in the evenings too? My husband and I are in our 70s. We need a health provision in Lydney, where we would be happier driving to at night and in the winter if the need arises, for outpatients' appointments and treatment like physiotherapy and minor injuries. We are worried that Forest health provision is moving further way from us and will be less accessible when we are approaching an age when we might need it most.						
124	Cinderford hospital even further away than Lydney. Especially for residents of St Briavels and even more from ""The Common"" etc and down to Brockweir etc. 24 beds no where near enough for whole forest residents						
125	1) The provision of 24 beds from 47 will not be realistically sufficient 2) Urgent care will not be easily accessible to those who need it particularly in the southern part of the district 3) A purpose built and oscopy facility will surely be significantly under used and could well be catered for by a mobile facility thereby freeing up an area with a much needed facility 4) Again accessibility will be a major problem						
126	Inpatient care - Drastic reduction of beds from 47- 24 Urgent care - 8am - 10pm would be realistic						
127	There will not be enough beds in the proposed plans to meet the requirements of the people of the Forest Of Dean						
128	I am a Lydney pensioner, recently bereaved and with multiple pre- existing conditions. I am no longer able to drive and have no family near me. The loss of Lydney hospital would be a huge disadvantage to me and the growing population in this area. Travel to Cinderford is difficult at best and impossible in a harsh winter. Lydney hospital has been there my whole life even though in recent years it has been policy not to accept local patients, but to import them from the wider Gloucestershire area. .When i underwent open heart surgery in Oxford in October 2019, i requested to be transferred to Lydney hospital or the Dilke for a few days but i was told there were no beds available. I was discharged knowing i had no one at home to care for me.						
129	Proposed site of hospital not easily accessible from Lydney and other homes south of the forest. With Lydney already the largest town in the FoD and growing dramatically we should be able to rely on good services at least as near to us as they are already.						
130	As there are currently 47 beds in two hospitals, 24 in new one is a diminishment of services to me. You have given reasons based on ""modelling"" so I suppose I have to accept that. I am concerned however at the number of housing estates being built throughout district increasing population.						
131	As I haven't had the booklet and didn't know there was one just to read bits of it over the phone I can not answer this question						

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132	Accessibility of proposed hospital, particularly from the south of the region, means the needs of these people will not be met. The reduction in inpatient beds also means more patients will have to be in Gloucester Hospital.						
133	We need to keep the two local hospitals. Spend any money on improving them. More accessible to more people, which has to be important. And, as an unintended consequence, better for the environment. Which is an aspect that cannot be dismissed.						
134	Please consider Dermatology outpatient service.						
135	Oral hospitals such as Lydney and Dilke still have a place alongside the super hospital						
136	I have supported people in the Forest for 25 yrs. Every time but one they needed inpatient care in the Forest there were no beds. If the current 47 beds cannot cope with the requirements of the local population. 24 beds will be completely inadequate. Your proposal suggests that community-based care is the way forward. However, people are being left with no support in their own homes. Covid 19 has exacerbated this issue.						
137	My wife has supported people living in the Forest for 25 yrs. When they have required inpatient support in the Forest the beds were full. Urgent care needs to be local.						
138	With the increased housing around Lydney, a small Cinderford location is going to be both too small and problematic to access for many.						
139	The number of beds seems to make a lot of assumptions about availability of beds for patients from other parts of the county being accommodated elsewhere. There seems to be no provision if patients from elsewhere are occupying a Forest bed to move that patient to free it up for a local patient who needs it. Urgent care provision makes an assumption that care over and above the capacity of the hospital can be provided by other establishments, but has not yet been determined						
140	How does say a bad cut get from Lydney to Steam Mills for assistance? Even with a car it could take 30 mins, without a car it could take hours.						
141	I think there should be more in-patient beds - about 35 feels right for the size of the Forest. I definitely think more consideration should be given to urgent care. We live in Tidenham and rely on Lydney MIU a great deal. Cinderford would be too far to travel.						
142	I agree that Inpatient care can be provided in one unit with 24 single rooms, as long as the care is focused on the needs of local people who live in the area and provision is made in the new build of the hospital for extra beds should the occasion arise. Locating all MIU services in Cinderford severely disadvantages patients who live in the south of the forest. Access to GPs is becoming increasingly more difficult and being able to call in at a local 'urgent care centre' for reassurance and signposting is most important.						
143	Are there really enough beds to accommodate inpatients at all times?						
144	More information needed to answer these questions. Inpatient care will be impacted by shortage of beds.						
145	It will be better to travel to Cinderford rather than Gloucester or Cheltenham Hospitals.						
146	All the range of services are needed but not all are accessible to users in the South FOD. There are many "buts"						
147	Impossible for us in the regions of Sedbury and Tutshill to access this facility						
148	One hospital not realistic given less beds, less services, transport issues. Just keep Lydney and Dilke as they are and still may be build a 3rd hospital.						
149	Location precludes many patients from getting to the new hospital, it's easier to get to Gloucester or even into Wales						

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150	The Forest needs the two hospitals it already has. The towns are growing and Cinderford/Newport/Gloucester are just too far away for immediate care.						
151	<p>1. I am worried by the number of hospital beds being reduced from 47 to 24. The population is increasing and even though I accept that long hospital stays are undesirable and will happen less, I still think that there will be a requirement for more beds occasionally.</p> <p>I was more than a bit perturbed by references to ""a range of beds which can be used and paid for as required"" and ""buying beds nearer to peoples homes"". Does this mean that people in Cheltenham will lose the facility to have NHS beds in the Forest of Dean and the NHS will be obliged to pay Private Healthcare Facilities for use of beds?</p> <p>Given that there do not seem to be sufficient NHS resources, does this not mean that the NHS resources will be diverted to paying for beds in private hospitals at whatever cost the private hospitals decide?</p> <p>Also I am not sure that making all treatment rooms single rooms is really a good idea. For many situations 4 bed bays are better than single rooms as the patients can look out for each other and call a nurse if another patient is having problems. Also they have someone to chat to which prevents boredom. Whilst people want privacy, absolute solitude is not always helpful.</p> <p>If wards are understaffed for any reason patients in single rooms could be left unattended without anyone realising they needed assistance.</p>						
152	I would want these services in Lydney. We are being deprived of services we have enjoyed for years through our wonderful hospital. Cinderford is not easily accessible especially in winter.						
153	Local people will not use services at Cinderford as it is not a convenient location from this area. We will have to travel to Gloucester.						
154	Travel time to hospital for older patients who may not have the means of travel, eg cars because of age and health conditions.						
155	For the south of the Forest, particularly Lydney this new hospital in Cinderford is not viable. The amount of new houses being built in Lydney is growing so quickly and only continuing to grow in the future. Lack of public transport from Lydney to Cinderford is a serious issue. All 3 hospitals are required. Lydney, Dilke and new.						
156	Having read through the book, apart from the message below believe we have been covered well						

Matrix Charts

1.1. Inpatient care:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		10.4%	20
2	Agree		18.8%	36
3	Disagree		24.0%	46
4	Strongly disagree		43.8%	84
5	No opinion		3.1%	6
			answered	192

1.2. Urgent care:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		11.4%	22
2	Agree		15.0%	29
3	Disagree		20.7%	40
4	Strongly disagree		50.8%	98
5	No opinion		2.1%	4
			answered	193

1.3. Diagnostic services:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		11.5%	22
2	Agree		28.6%	55
3	Disagree		19.3%	37
4	Strongly disagree		35.4%	68
5	No opinion		5.2%	10
			answered	192

1.4. Outpatient services:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		13.0%	25
2	Agree		24.5%	47
3	Disagree		19.8%	38
4	Strongly disagree		39.6%	76
5	No opinion		3.1%	6
			answered	192

Please tell us about any impact, either positive or negative, that you think any of our proposals could have on you and/or your family?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	167
1	I think having single rooms will be nicer for people, I think people want to die at home and not in hospital if they can so I agree with this,		
2	On the negative side this hospital will be useless unless there are plenty of inpatient beds.		
3	Travel through the Forest for our ageing population is not easy. Providing the necessary infrastructure will ruin the area. Over 4000 new homes are proposed. How can a reduced service cope with this?		
4	Totally negative not enough beds or resources		
5	Reduced availability of beds, staff and resources in the Forest, leading to longer delays both logistically and internally at GRH.		
6	The only possible impact could be a slightly longer journey to reach a hospital in Cinderford rather than Lydney - but the difference is marginal.		
7	It's further for myself and my family to travel, however it is great that we will be getting a brand new modern hospital.		
8	Depends on use of clinics and available constants. Currently we both have to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham. We find there is little tie up between hospitals and GP which is a lost opportunity. After 30 years within the Nhs I can definitely say care has actually got worse!		
9	I wouldn't be able to take my little boy to minor injuries, especially at night / during winter, as I wouldn't be willing to drive alone with a small child through the forest in the dark. I would go to Gloucester instead. I can't see any positive impact it would have for me, compared to the positive aspects of Lydney hospital		
10	The most impact having only one hospital in Cinderford is that living in the south of the Forest we only ever use Lydney Hospital. In winter months with bad weather Lydney is far easier to get to.		
11	I suppose that the new facility would be a center of excellence, but for us it would mean a journey through the forest2		
12	Development is heavily/ disproportionately based in the north forest. The south forest has no new developments with only small surgeries which are likely to close, due to increasing demands and no appropriate facilities. There was an agreement for a health care service development in Lydney but it seems that promises being made have been forgotten (e.g. # to the Citizens Jury). This is clearly politically driven rather than a population approach from consultation.		
13	I have many health issues. At the moment I can still drive, but I am concerned about the lack of public transport to any of the Forest hospitals, including the proposed new one.		
14	As a Lydney resident I need easy access to a least some urgent care facilities. As for inpatient care I need to know that there will be enough beds to cater for all reasonable needs of local residents.		
15	It will not be as easy or quick to get to essential accident and emergency services from the Sothern parts of the Forest.....and only having a single facility will mean increased waiting times.		
16	You are proposing a worst service for an increased number of customers		
17	It's too far from Lydney for the more vulnerable residents of Lydney to get to. This will put more pressure on Gloucester Royal.		
18	Further to travel for me, and I am fearful that I would not be able to access services if I become unable to drive		
19	The journey to Cinderford even by car is harder than just driving straight to Gloucester A&E which is what many from the south of the Forest will do or they will drive direct to Southmead.		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
20	Further distance to travel for urgent care and outpatients especially following changes to the provision at the Gwent hospital		
21	I have to travel to cinderford		
22	i think accesability will be an issue		
23	Being a Lydney resident I would need to travel further. Fine whilst I can drive but It will be vital to ensure a good bus service from all parts of the Forest to the new hospital.		
24	I think the hospital would be good but also Lydney should be provided with a local small unit for local people		
25	I am highly concerned at the thought of having to get to Cinderford for Urgent care, especially for those without their own transport.		
26	As a local we have used Lydney for emergency treatment on numerous occasions and I believe that if Lydney hadn't of been there we may have had serious consequences on my daughter's life.		
27	Weather conditions mean higher ground areas in the forest are inaccessible due to snow, floods and snow. Vital health care and routine appointments will be lost		
28	Negative we do not have a car		
29	Age is a major concern me and my family.		
30	If a new hospital is built in Cinderford, how do expect us to get there in bad weather, when us as locals know how badly Cinderford is affected!!!		
31	Lydney nearest minor injuries the next nearest one is the Gwent		
32	I have lived in Lydney most of my life and all of my family and friends have made use of our hospital. It has been a god send to us all at one time or another. My parents no longer drive so they will be at a disadvantage straight away, as they will not be able to access Cinderford..		
33	Having a breathing condition and severe allergies losing emergency facilities at Lydney Hospital could have a severe impact. I would need to call ambulance more rather than going direct to hospital myself putting extra strain on emergency services. If I had to drive to Cinderford for nebuliser or after using EpiPen it could make the difference between life and death time wise		
34	I believe it would have a negative impact on my family and the general populace due to lack of access to care. Cinderford is closer to Gloucester and should not have investment where as Lydney is more accessible and further to any other hospital.		
35	Hurrendous place to travel in winter, in snow its impossible, most staff will struggle.		
36	I am concerned about access to Urgent Care and diagnostic facilities in particular		
37	Time to get to the hospital.. travelling to Cinderford in the winter months..		
38	Most of my family do not drive and rely on friends to help out when buses are not available		
39	It will be positive if family members or myself can be nursed closer to home. There is often alot of stress involved with people travelling to Gloucester to see poorly loved ones, staying local is always a relief and friends and family are more likely to offer you lifts etc to visit.		
40	Travel o Cinderford, at any time would not be quick but definitely not in an emergency.		
41	Lydney needs its own minor injuries as people from sedbury (where my family live) often use lydney minor injuries.		
42	We dont need a new hospital my family have used lydney for years and had wonderful service.		
43	Less beds..travel difficulties and time to get to hospital due to one site available. We need hospitals scattered in this rural area so that all can access fairly and easily. That is why years ago those with common sense used lydney and cinderford as sites.		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
44	Be a lot easier to access		
45	I will not be able to travel to the hospital at Cinderford if my child is ill, because the drive there from Lydney is horrendous at the best of times, let alone on a cold, dark night - if my husband isn't home, I would have to do the journey alone - I wouldn't risk breaking down etc, so would go straight to Gloucester instead, facing a longer journey alone, parking fees and more.		
46	The new hospital is not going to have enough in patient beds to meet the needs of the growing communities in the area		
47	Wouldnt really affect me		
48	Read the numerous comments in the last consultation! The Forest of Dean wants to retain its vital community hospitals, not replace them with less!		
49	Negative. The road is unsuitable for heavy traffic that is likely due to it being through the wood. If emergency vehicles which there would be more of, need to over take there isnt many spots that it safe for them to do this or to pull over without resulting in further dangers. Animals roaming. Cinderford is already close with good links to Gloucester but the links through Lydney and Cinderford have the makings to be unrealistic. More likely for crashes as tight corners, dips just off the roads wildlife jumping out. Junction at bottom of Cinderford to get to industrial estate is a pain to maneuver and had backed up traffic at rush hour		
50	Inability to access imaging, outpatients or minor injuries particularly in the older age groups		
51	A 25 minute drive to AE could be life or death. Lack of bed provision for the large catchment area.		
52	If my nan was to return to hospital it would be less convenient to visit her, as all of our family are from Lydney.		
53	We will have no local suitable health facilities! The nearest and most accessible would be Bristol or Gloucester! Increasing population in Lydney and Severnside will make transport to these difficult		
54	Extra time to get to Cinderford in an emergency Reduction in beds may mean no room for foresters		
55	Response time is key and I feel that moving facilities from Lydney to Cinderford will increase this		
56	It's quite dangerous really and scary I've had issues in the night with my kids and knowing you can ring 111 and then go Lydney hospital and see a nurse means your getting care/help so quickly!		
57	At the moment we are walking distance from a minor injuries unit, with two small children I am glad that it is close		
58	LIVES WILL BE LOST AS THE IMPACT OF A PROVISION THAT IS NOT BIG ENOUGH FOR THE GROWING POPULATION, AND ACCESS FOR THE PLD AND VUNRABLE		
59	Having to travel out of the forest for appointments If elderly relatives in hospital not enough beds for them to be treated in the Forest		
60	As before- I don't think we would stand a chance in an emergency.		
61	Very concerned how I would get to Cinderford		
62	I am a single parent, I don't drive. Buses to Cinderford are few and far between. Lydney needs healthcare available. With the expansion of houses it seems unfathomable that we will lose what we have (which is already limited)		
63	We will not be seen as quickly or as passionately at a larger hospital that we have to travel to. We need to keep our cottage hospitals that keep our communities safe.		
64	As before. I couldn't attend appointments or minor injuries if Lydney hospital was no longer there		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
65	We need one in lydney there are more houses every year so we need a hospital		
66	Lydney and the surrounding areas will be disadvantaged by the changes as we will not have easy and accessible access to urgent care, visiting inpatients and accessing outpatient services, lydney is the only forest town that is substantial growing and will loose the services it has		
67	I have lived in lydney for 12 years. I had a son 8 years ago. All 3 of our family have used the services at lydney, a lot of times in evenings and weekends. When we have had to drive on to cinderford it has been difficult. We should be building on what we have not scrapping existing buildings and spending money on new sites. I'm all for updating but I'm also for tradition...make do and mend. We have more and more families growing or moving into the area and development plans for the harbour for example yet a lack of thought for developing the hospital we have to service the community. We strongly disagree with the closure of Lydney hospital.		
68	My son has significant learning disability and will never drive . A local hospital and A&E in our own town would be a better option for Lydney		
69	Travelling miles to obtain health care services instead of a two minute journey		
70	Reduced bed capacity in an area of massive expansion. Increased travel time in some cases. Less facilities		
71	If i need to access to a MIU i now have to drive to Cinderford which is causing more pollution, when we should be reducing our pollution level at this very vital time.		
72	Lydney hospital is essential to the early years services in Lydney, for minor injuries, the care homes use it to for minor injuries illness, why would you consider making elderly people from care homes and early years travel to cinderford when we have a perfectly good working hospital, the housing increase is massive now therefore Gloucester and cinderford would not cope with 1 hospital the face we have one in Lydney makes a massive difference.		
73	I moved to lydney 32 years ago. Just 2 surgeries were there then. Population has hugely expanded but doctor surgeries have not. Very difficult to get appointment		
74	transport problems, especially for non drivers loss of local heritage would one big hospital be able to cope with having to deal with such a big surrounding area? especially with the amount of housing being built and more being added.		
75	Huge negative, too far from a large part of the forest		
76	My husband and I are both pensioners and worry if we needed medical help its a long way to Gloucester hospital		
77	Its not just about me and or my family, its about the public in large, Lydney residents will will ""transport excluded"" from accessing vital hospital appointments		
78	No comment		
79	I would have to travel to Cinderford for urgent care and increased wait times for ambulance		
80	As before, it's a no no for the hosp in C'ford, as I can't really access it. C'ford is a long way from lydney. i went to Dilke outpatients once. I know.		
81	It will have a devastating effect on us. My husband and I are both in our seventies and hate the thought of one of us having to be hospitalised in Gloucester but with the few beds proposed for the Forest there won't be any chance in the Forest. It is the same with appointments, they won't be able to cope with everyone in the Forest.		
82	Negative - what will happen when we are no longer able to drive (could happen soon with failing eyesight)? 2 people in the family have long term chronic medical conditions. How will we be able to easily access a nebuliser? Taxi fares will be extortionate! We are on limited income.		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
83	It is too far from our house. I'm another 20 minutes we could be in Bristol. One needs to be kept in Lydney		
84	Closing Lydney hospital is bound to have HUGE impact on the elderly that cannot drive etc. As well as meaning more people going to other hospitals wait times are going to hugely increase.		
85	Because of the distance on poor roads and lack of public transport, it would have a negative impact. Regrettably this would counteract the benefit of the new hospital.		
86	This new hospital is only as good as the services it offers. Lydney and the Dilke are very good at what they offer.		
87	We live in Sedbury and use Lydney hospital which is 20 minutes drive it would double our journey time to get to Cinderford for any emergency care		
88	I do not drive and so could not get to Cinderford if I needed a medical facility.		
89	Living in Lydney, with increasing traffic on the roads, travelling to Cinderford seems senseless with a hospital on our doorstep.		
90	It can only be positive due to 1) giving quality care to the FOD & 2) alleviating the workload on Gloucester & Cheltenham hospitals		
91	A good local hospital will be positive, but not at the expense of speed, response and location.		
92	I think it will have a negative impact as several times me or my family have had to use the A&E. And I don't mean small things I mean life changing things and if I hadn't got my family to A&E so quick I would hate to think would have happened		
93	I will be unable to get there as no provision for transportation		
94	The early closing time of the urgent care department will be negative for me and my husband as he has a kidney issue and often goes into the emergency department at Lydney and majority of the time it is past 8pm. Also it is a lot busier than you state.		
95	Negative impact - further to travel to access the hospital and reduced capacity.		
96	It is easier to get to Lydney than Cinderford we don't want our hospital to close		
97	A good A&E with all necessary equipment instead of being sent to Gloucester		
98	Access to the site from Lydney is not going to be sufficient		
99	We are able bodied and have two cars and are able to drive. The location of the hospital is problematic and reluctantly, we will have to put up with the inconvenience, though this could prove more than an inconvenience during severe weather. My issues really therefore, are for people who are less fortunate than ourselves. The majority of people live in the South Forest area. The very large majority of new housing building will take place in this area. You know this and have already ignored it in your choice of location for the hospital. I realise that I am wasting my time, but will continue to restate this obvious and most important fact.		
100	Lack of fair and proper access.		
101	A real example. My 29 year old was working in Yorkley recently and fell ill with suspected heart attack. He was taken to Lydney which took 5 minutes. Cinderford on a good day would be 20 and in winter could be more like 40 if at all depending on how bad road and weather conditions which could have seriously risked his life		
102	As a working parent of 5, access to nearby outpatient and emergency facilities has been invaluable to me. The thought of commuting thirty minutes to seek help for an injured child, whilst trying to keep them calm is abhorrent! Equally, for appointments such as physiotherapy for any member of the family, an hour round trip to access this has a seriously inhibitive impact on the rest of life.		
103	It will take a lot longer to get to a hospital from St Briavels. The 30mph limit on Valley Road is unnecessary and a further delay.		

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104	<p>The loss of the minor injury unit in Lydney is really significant. With a large number of sports teams the unit is frequently req on a Sat and Sun to deal with minor injuries. As was pointed out (and ignored) in the last consultation situating the new hospital in Cinderford means that the main population centre of the Forest of Dean will be without Urgent care facilities. If you have to drive to Cinderford you may as well drive to Gloucester.</p> <p>Having said this you will ignore any views which don't agree with the Trusts just like you have with every other so called consultation</p>		
105	Not sure not enough detail to be able to comment		
106	When there is another pandemic where will we go too as now 1 hospital has been used as a Covid hospital and the other one for other health care when there is only 1 I trust we will have to travel a long distance		
107	A modern purpose built facility will make a significant improvement for the area. I think there is a need to keep residents informed about the progress of the new facility and also to explain what will happen to the old sites.		
108	Puts the hospital further away from where we live which makes it less accessible than Lydney hospital		
109	I live in Lydney. It will be easier for me to go to Gloucester Royal than Cinderford. Why couldn't you just replace the Dilke and leave the Lydney hospital alone. They do a really brilliant job and is much more accessible.		
110	Now 68 so my needs may increase so bed capacity is of concern		
111	Potential for having to be sent elsewhere in the county of inpatient long term care is required due to reduction of bed numbers.		
112	I am worried about getting emergency care when I need it and quickly, as well as reassurance or advice eg head bump. I am worried we wouldn't be able to get help over night. There are no positives. The location, reduced hours and beds will be catastrophic.		
113	<p>We have used Lydney Minor injuries clinic on several occasions. A 10 minute drive is doable if you are bleeding/ in pain etc. 30 minutes will be a problem.</p> <p>Provision of outpatient services with parking will be a lot easier when taking people , especially elderly relatives, to appointments.</p>		
114	A hospital in Cinderford will not be that much closer to us than the Gloucester RI. Its just to far from the South area of the FOD		
115	I think that for people living in the south of the Forest and particularly in Lydney ,that has a growing population it will not be easy to access the new Hospital ,particularly if urgent care is needed.I do feel at least there should be some provision made for this side of the Forest at the moment it feels this is just being ignored.i		
116	No positive at all, see above comments for negative impact!		
117	Negative impact as only one member of my family drives and Cinderford is hard to get to in poor weather		
118	It will be much more difficult for those of us living in Lydney and its surrounds to access the hospital care we might need and make it almost impossible for the elderly who do not drive to visit family members regularly which we know can improve outcomes for the ill and, sadly, provide great comfort to the dying.		
119	Losing hospital facilities in Lydney		
120	As we are car drivers the impact on us will be less than people without access to their own transport and reliant on public transport. we live in Aylburton and are unlikely to have direct public transport to the new facility		
121	Easy access to minor injury services currently with an excellent eye service. The roads to the new site in Cinderford are not that good. Particularly navigating valley road with badly parked traffic.		
122	We have some concern about the distance from Lydney to the nearest emergency unit at Cinderford.		

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123	Lack of local access to emergency or outpatients healthcare		
124	The hospital proposed in Cinderford will not provide the capacity needed for the Forest of Dean. People will have to go to Gloucester to get the care needed if the other forest hospitals are closed.		
125	Positive - we will have a healthcare unit fit for purpose		
126	By far the biggest impact is the proposed location for the hospital. It seems that the so-called 'Citizen;s Jury' made the wrong decision by siting the hospital in Cinderford. It also seems, reading through the weak attempts to justify this decision in your 'A New Hospital for the Forest of Dean' booklet, the panel also think that it was the wrong decision. This weak support is repeated several times!. The hospital should have been sited centrally in the Forest, allowing easy access for all. The discussion has totally ignored the fact that the housing in Lydney is increasing by 38% and consequentially,, the population will increase by more than this!		
127	At the moment I havbe a minor injury unit five minutes away and a hospital to convalesce in if needs nbe five minutes away the proposal is to replace two large local hospitals with one small one		
128	Orthotics and splinting can make a huge difference. An Orthotic O/P clinic would be Really positive and helpful - run jointly with OTs and Physios?		
129	At present we live in Lydney and can easily access services at Lydney hospital either e.g x rays, out of hours emergency visits, post op treatments such as dressing changes, visiting relatives/friends all within walking distance. With the change of location none of this will be possible.		
130	It will have a very negative impact on the people of Lydney and the South Forest. I could travel quickly up the A48 to Gloucester faster than getting through the forest.		
131	We feel our needs in the south of the Forest are being ignored and that proposals to base all services in Cinderford will make them inaccessible to us as we get older. My husband and I are with Welsh registered GPs but prefer to seek our treatment in Gloucestershire. My family has been well looked after in recent years by Lydney hospital and my husband has this year had a minor operation in Gloucester Royal. We want to continue taking our treatment in Gloucestershire but it seems these proposals are pushing us out.		
132	A single upto date facility that caters for most of our needs without going to Gloucester or Wales.		
133	Following a fall on a kerb, Lydney hospital proved essential in diagnosing no fractured ribs. Could I have got to Cinderford with breathing difficulties - I doubt it - 3 days and nights in a chair anyway Cinderford - NO!! Consider absolutely essential Lydney and Dilke not Closed		
134	The main problem will be accessing the new hospital since there is no reliable bus service from the southern part of the district particularly in the Lydney and local areas since the existing facility provided by stagecoach, which are based on past usage has and will prove lacking. Closure at 8pm is unbelieve and should most definitely be at least 10pm (previously 11pm). What do you expect to happen if services are needed by southern patients post 8pm? Taxis come at a real cost		
135	This will put minor injuries care further from me and my family, which is of great concern.		
136	As we are getting older we will not be able to get to thye New Proposed hospital especially in winter months		
137	It is unbelievable, with Lydney expanding at the rate that it is that plans have been hatched to close both Lydney and Dilke hospitals. We need more services, not less. Maternity services should be restored and operations resumed. Both hospitals should be upgraded and enhanced.		

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138	Lots of people without transport will find it difficult to get to the new site. So few beds will mean nothing available for locals. For a long time local doctors have been unable to get beds for their patients in the two forest hospitals. The beds seem, as a matter of policy, to have been used as an overflow from Glos & Chelt hospitals for people resident in other parts of the county whilst local people have been shunted off to places like Stroud.		
139	At present I have minor injury unit ""on my doorstep"" and have needed it for myself and husband. I would have to travel to new hospital.		
140	As an old age pensioner on my own it can only be negative		
141	Nothing positive, living in Lydney any services I may need to access in the future would mean travelling further than at present. With the state of public transport in this area it would probably mean I would need to go to Gloucester.		
142	Negative: Further to travel, over-reliance on cars as public transport has been decimated, can't afford taxis, enormous impact on local community. Better for environment to keep what we have and improve than build new. Positive; nothing.		
143	I think that building a bright new hospital for the Forest can only have a positive impact.		
144	Longer travel time for hospital services		
145	Negative as we will have to travel 10 miles to the hospital. There will NOT be enough inpatient beds to support the population.		
146	Cinderford too far. If there were never any beds for the people my wife supported then there would not be beds available if we ever needed it		
147	Living in Lydney, this would seem to be completely negative in terms of capability, capability and access.		
148	Difficult to say - Covid 19 has disrupted so much provision. However, I do feel it is unacceptable for a 4-year starting school has been waiting over 9 months for a hearing test, and that with severe eczema he has had to wait over a year for a dermatology referral. These have impacted upon him starting school and provision in the new hospital needs to address these shortfalls		
149	Mostly as above, really urgent care will probably involve a call to a GP, then an ambulance to an A&E or similar.		
150	Mostly transport. At the moment the bus service does not cover this. Not everyone has a car or can drive so hope a new bus route can cover this		
151	The negative impact would be by removing the access to Lydney MIU as mentioned above. I think the community space for group use/training is a great addition and planning for the delivery of telehealth services.		
152	Over many years we have had excellent health provision through Lydney Hospital and we do not wish the ever-increasing population of the south of the forest to be disadvantaged by centralization of all existing services. Public transport through the Forest is not easy, especially in winter. The Health Authority has no control over transport and we should not have to rely on charities for transportation.		
153	No real impact either way at this time		
154	The hospital will be built many miles from where we live in the South of the Forest. While it is good that a new hopefully 'fit for purpose' facility is being built which will benefit the community around Cinderford what provision is being provided for the rest of the population? Cinderford is difficult to access especially by a patchy public transport service and in the Winter almost impossible to reach in snow/ice by car.		
155	It should be positive, until these services are in place then we can judge.		

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156	I live in Lydney and the bus service from here is not good enough to go to early appointments or late ones. ie buses run every 2 or 3 hours. Coleford buses run every hour past the new hospital. Ours don't always go to the hospital site. Not everyone drives or can get lifts to Cinderford. Also you would have to get to the centre of Lydney to get a bus in the first place. Not all people can afford taxis.		
157	Too far from Lydney		
158	No thought has gone into providing cottage hospitals to all members of the community.		
159	The existing hospitals have served the Forest of Dean for many years. From Lydney it would not be possible to attend a new hospital in Cinderford.		
160	The loss of miu in Lydney could well lead to an increase in 999 calls. Problems with transport or the head for urgent care being the main reason		
161	For us, in Lydney, it would be quicker for us to travel to Gloucester, Bristol or Newport than the other side of Cinderford. Closing Lydney or the Dilke is ridiculous and detrimental to the health of local people.		
162	The things I have attended hospital for in the last two years have been 1. Colonoscopy 2. Breast screening 3. Having a mole checked. All of these were done at Gloucester hospital. At no point have I been offered an appointment at either of the the local community hospitals for anything. I do not know why that is. The breast screening unit was a mobile van, so presumably could have been just as easily parked outside one of our existing Forest of Dean hospitals as it could be outside the new one. I don't know whether there are plans to do colonoscopies at the new hospital: it was not mentioned specifically. Depending how successfully new bus timetables are agreed, attending for these sorts of appointments will probably not be much affected. If I drove, it would be better as the journey would be slightly shorter and the parking available at Cinderford would hopefully be free and less crowded. However it should be noted that this may not be the case in winter, when Cinderford roads are more likely to get cut off by snow than the A48 to Gloucester. I am not sure of the impact if I had some sort of medical emergency.		
163	We will be deprived of having services locally and MIU will be hugely missed. I would go to Gloucester rather than Cinderford not knowing if it was open or not or being referred on to there anyway. Might just as well go straight there. My husband attends outpatient regularly at Lydney so having to travel further afield would be extremely inconvenient.		
164	The closure of Lydney Hospital will be a major inconvenience to people of this area. The outpatient facility and A & E at Lydney are of particular importance to the local community .		
165	Ease of access to people in FOD		
166	My mother is 80, does not drive has no chance of accessing a new hospital in Cinderford. All 3 hospitals are required to keep the population of the Forest of Dean safe.		
167	The impact on people, like me, with no car means hoping on the bus service suggested would still be available at times needed. I am 88yrs old and ride a bike only and can foresee difficulty should the need arise. Like others hoped the hospital would have been built in Lydney.		
		answered	167
		skipped	28

If you think any of our proposals could have a negative impact on you and/or your family, how should we try to limit this?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	151
1	I think by far the best option would be to spend the money on the two original hospitals and put specialised facilities in both of them as well as extra inpatient facilities. The Forest is expanding at such a fast rate this new hospital will not be big enough to cope. Most of the Forest people didn't want a new hospital, we wanted to keep our original ones but our views were ignored.		
2	Improve and maintain GP run units in Lydney and other Forest towns. Employ Doctors And Consultants rather than practices.		
3	Bigger hospital and leave Lydney alone		
4	Don't close two hospitals and replace them with a smaller hospital!		
5	By increasing the bed capacity would give a better chance of being able to be kept at a community hospital should it be needed.		
6	I think the single rooms may have an impact on anyone who spends any real time in them. I think the hospital at Lydney should have been increased in size/use. I had hand surgery there some years back and was the only patient for that day. Total waste of facilities. There needs to be more local surgery, stroke and cardiac treatments. More elderly day centres where falls risks, mobility, wounds, dementia testing, bathing etc can be monitored and attended to whilst the person spends a day or 1/2 day at the clinic as appropriate-once week, month depending on issues, There needs to be more local weight and movement clinics-currently if my husband who has a hunchback, has had a previous heart attack and is overweight wanted input then he'd have to go to Gloucester as there are not the local trained relevant staff		
7	Don't close Lydney! Myself and family have personally been involved in fundraising for Lydney for YEARS. I have only ever been to the Dilke twice - once when Lydney was closed, and once because I needed to see a doctor. I have regularly been to Lydney for minor injuries, and have had many appointments there for varying conditions - I wouldn't be willing to drive to Cinderford unless essential, so my treatment would be seriously affected too! It is ridiculous to even consider this		
8	With all the new housing in the Forest, if you are so determined that we have only one hospital it will be absolutely useless to have a hospital with nowhere near enough beds for the Forest people.		
9	not really at the moment we are fairly active and well seniors and mobile		
10	Develop sustainable health care facility in the south forest e.g. Cinderford has new health centre, Coleford is having new health centre, hospital in Cinderford) - Lydney: nothing! Under public funding I cannot see the small surgeries in the Lydney area surviving. What plans have been made in the case of surgery closure??		
11	Make sure the public transport infrastructure is going to be there - don't just hope it will appear when the building has been constructed. Reassure patients that this WILL be in place.		
12	The loss of the Lydney MIU and xray facilities together with other out patient services will make life more difficult if unable to drive to Cinderford in an emergency.		
13	By providing a complimentary facility in the southern part of the Forest.		
14	Leave us with a hospital in Lydney		
15	Don't put it in Cinderford it's too far away. I also have asthma and on more than one occasion have needed emergency treatment at Lydney Hospital. In fact on one occasion we called for an ambulance and none were available and my wife got me to Lydney when I was in status. I'm sure without Lydney Hospital being open and so close I wouldn't be here now.		
16	Keep Lydney Hospital		

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17	Really consider the south of the Forest.		
18	Continue to provide urgent care at Lydney hospital		
19	We will lose all Lydney s amenities		
20	you cannot limit it as speaking from a lydney point of view it will be easier to go to glouster		
21	By keeping a unit open at Lydney. Cinderford is so hard to get to. Lydney is a massively growing community too, with hundreds of houses being built.		
22	Keep Lydney hospital open.		
23	Keep both the cottage hospitals open as long term it will be cost effective to have separate sites		
24	Leave Lydney hospital where it is		
25	By trying to split the money u are proposing to use to build one new hospital out of most peoples area in regards to distance and better each one. It's not rocket science just common sense.		
26	By not closing Lydney Hospital!! It is nearer to the main roads with direct access if transfer is needed to Gloucester, Cheltenham or Bristol.		
27	Put minor injuries in Lydney		
28	I believe we still need two hospitals so the forest area is covered properly and Lydney is not disadvantaged. The provision should be growing not shrinking. It will have a massive impact on the local community and lives will be lost. . .		
29	Keep an emergency department and outpatient services at Lydney Hospital but move beds and longer-term care to new hospital		
30	By keeping MIU in lydney and maybe increasing its status go A+E		
31	Change location		
32	There should be an urgent care centre in the south of the Forest to provide diagnostics such as xrays and minor injuries		
33	Time and travel fir older people who's family members my be in the hospitals. Number of beds available as the local community is Oder in age so more room for extra patients		
34	Keep the community hospitals		
35	Yes, if the hospital is too small or you don't offer a full range of outpatient services.		
36	Keep Lydney hospital open!!		
37	Need to work with people on transport links, as bus may not be suitable and limited taxi services in the forest.		
38	The hospital will be situated in the wrong area for it to benefit all the parts of the forest best to keep 2 hospitals for better care.		
39	By leaving our existing hospitals to continue their great work and provide this new one as an extra to accommodate the increase in population..simple..		
40	Don't close Lydney minor injuries! It is ridiculous that you even considered this a good idea when the new hospital is planned for a very, very rural, hard-to-access area, and will have fewer beds and amenities than the current hospitals		
41	Choose a different site increase bed numbers		
42	Should turn lydney and th dilk in to care homes		
43	Errr, you should leave the NHS alone.		

If you think any of our proposals could have a negative impact on you and/or your family, how should we try to limit this?

		Response Percent	Response Total
44	Improve road between parkend and cinderford Stop wildlife roaming free, which in turn will ruin their way of life and cause them harm Lydney is further from gloucester so is easier for a majority of people to get to without the need of extra transport Piece of mind that can access healthcare locally without added pressure of travel times, possible accidents, road works		
45	The creation of a hub in Lydney that houses outpatient clinics, MIU and imaging. Failing this, Coleford is much easier to access and would have made a lot more sense as a 'central' location		
46	Build two hospitals		
47	Retain minor injury, xray and particularly Geriatric care in Lydney		
48	Leave some form of urgent care and X-ray in Lydney More beds		
49	Keep the hospitals as they are and use the available money to upgrade what we have		
50	Keep lydney hospital open or replace it with something new in lydney, as lydney seems to be ever growing yet our healthcare available seems to be reducing.		
51	Leave a small minor injuries unit, akin to a walk in centre in Lydney		
52	KEEP BOTH HOSPITAL FOR FAIR ACCESS TO ALL		
53	More inpatient beds Room to expand outpatient services		
54	Keep Lydney Hospital open		
55	Again I am a single parent, buses to the proposed new site in cinderford are few and far between. We can't have restricted access to a hospital, it's not fair. This is a grave concern for many locals.		
56	Our population is growing so we need the extra hospital but the personal attention given and the quick and attentive care that we get at our cottage hospital can't be given anywhere else.		
57	Keep lydney open		
58	Have more thought about where the hospital is.		
59	The ability to know there is an a and e available two mins away, moving it to cinderford, and the bottom end of cinderford is pointless, it would properly be easier to get to grh than the new hospital, and thus put more strain on grh Also for elderly relatives being in lydney feels like they are almost home, and not the other side of the forest		
60	Don't close lydney hospital.		
61	Have two hospitals		
62	Dont build the unneeded building		
63	Have all three hospital s		
64	Do not close the two existing hospitals so that people don't have to drive or get in addecuate public transport further afield and build the new hospital in Cioleford so that the people have a community hospital there as well		
65	Do not close Lydney hospital!!!!!!!		
66	Bigger health centre and retain Lydney hospital		
67	Keep two hospitals!!		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
68	We live in Parkend how would we get to the new hospital if it was in Cinderford can't drive at night and would not be able to get there in the day as lack of buses		
69	Again, not just me and my family, but thousands of families will NOT have access to transport, for a specific time of a hospital appointment and to get themselves back home. Is it fair that we should expect elderly/infirm patients to travel late afternoon, early evening in Winter to try to secure a hospital appointment putting themselves in danger		
70	No comment		
71	Keep Lydney hospital!		
72	Er, plainly obvious. You should not be shutting Lydney. I went to all the rallies to support Dilke & Lyd when shutting ages ago. I pay full rates here, and full NI, as does my hard-working son. Rediculous.		
73	By keeping Lydney hospital open and giving us extra beds. It will be chaos with all the vast amount of new houses being built. We will need far more beds than we have at the moment leave alone less.		
74	save Lydney Hospital please		
75	Build 2. One in lydney due to the huge expansion of homed		
76	Read above. It's all negative!		
77	There must be some facilities in Lydney. This town is expanding rapidly.		
78	This could have a negative impact as I under stand this hospital will be smaller than sum of the other two, and there will be less beds when we really need more.		
79	Don't locate the hospital in Cinderford		
80	Keep a hospital in Lydney		
81	Keep both hospitals: Lydney and the Dilke!		
82	None - there can be no negatives assuming it is of adequate size.		
83	Provide more detail on what type of urgent care would be provided in Lydney. Provide more information about local maternity services.		
84	As above, I think Cinderford could get to Gloucester a&e quicker than we can at lydney do, put the hospital at lydney		
85	Keep lydney open		
86	By opening the urgent care department to 11 pm.		
87	Consider expansion of the proposed hospital across all areas of care (i.e. urgent, inpatient) and keep exisiting facilities open at Lydney and the Dilke.		
88	Keep Lydney hospital open we need local services.		
89	Put a provision in lydney area		
90	It is essential that a fully staffed, well equipped 'health-hub is established in the South of the Forest, e.g. in Lydney in the very near future. Population growth in the area is large as you know. Time is short. We need something to be done urgently. Services such as MIIU, Physiotherapy, Diagnostics, Outpatients etc. should be provided at this health-hub.		
91	By providing what is required..three or at least two hospitals so that fair access can be realised.		
92	By continuing to provide MIU, Diagnostics and Outpatients at BOTH locations		
93	By keeping services open at Lydney hospital as well,, even if they must be reduced.		

If you think any of our proposals could have a negative impact on you and/or your family, how should we try to limit this?

		Response Percent	Response Total
94	Need to address public transport and ambulance availability. My brother had to wait 7 hours for an ambulance called by his doctor for urgent conveyance to hospital within 1 hour. Also there is no regular bus service from St Briavels.		
95	You need to have Urgent care facilities in Lydney. Potentially having a minor wounds room in Lydney GP surgery might be one way to achieve this		
96	Yes travelling a much longer distance for my care needs		
97	By keeping Lydney hospital and the Dilke open		
98	I think that a lot of people will miss out on treatment because they can't get to Cinderford.		
99	As above		
100	Keep the two hospitals. Update the buildings if required, and even add the potential for extra beds in the case of something like the current pandemic happening in the future.		
101	Keep out of hours GP access locally - currently we always have to go to Glos and 111 always refer you there. The shorter minor injuries hours will mean more anxiety and trips to Glos, so this should be open until 11pm. The X-ray department should similarly be open at these times. Transport is the biggest issue.		
102	? Have some urgent care available at Gp surgeries?		
103	Move the hospital to the middle of the FOD - either Coleford or Lydney.		
104	I think by providing Some kind of service ,be it a medical hub ,where at least people would feel more secure that their needs could be met		
105	See above comments. At present we don't need any of the hospital services but this will change as we get older and more likely to suffer health deterioration or accidents.		
106	The new hospital should be built in either Lydney or Coleford with both locations being better for the community overall		
107	You should keep the hospitals at Lydney and The Dilke open. The people of the Forest have invested thousands and thousands of pounds over the years into these two hospitals. They did this on the understanding that these hospitals would be there to serve them.		
108	Lydney needs improved health provision. The town is increasing in size. Health provision here isn't.		
109	Some kind of emergency (accident) facility is a must for the south of the forest and at present will all the new building in Lydney our GPs are overstretched		
110	Eye service: commission a service from a local opticians, for urgent eye care review, removal foreign bodies etc. Linked to Cheltenham eye clinic. Minor injuries and illness: commission a service from one or more pharmacies. All would need to be well advertised. On the issue of roads, local council to review the access and impact on Valley road with the new GP surgery as well as flow across to a new hospital.		
111	Is it possible to have some small unit at Lydney to serve this side of the Forest?		
112	In an emergency situation our travel time to A&E would be drastically increased. Waiting time in Gloucester Royal (our nearest hospital after Lydney) are longer and more stressful situation. Outpatients appointments travel times would be increased resulting in my children missing school and me having to take time off work. Lydney needs a hospital or extra healthcare facility which the surgeries can't provide		

If you think any of our proposals could have a negative impact on you and/or your family, how should we try to limit this?

		Response Percent	Response Total
113	Jobs will be lost, and communities damaged if Lydney and Dilke hospitals close. My family/ambulances will have to travel further if a serious situation requiring Emergency care is needed potentially having a long term impact on myself and family members		
114	No		
115	I am an elderly 76 year old, living in Lydney and I will find it difficult accessing this centre. I do not enjoy driving, especially at night. This should be mitigated by building a Health Hub with full facilities in Lydney. At least I could get to that, and, hopefully, then access transport to further facilities if needed. (I hope that I never do need it!)		
116	Closing local units centralising on large hospitals		
117	Blood tests - long waits for results at times. Often samples degrade in transit - false positives/negatives cause problems Eg: me having to drive a friend twice to hospital in the middle of the night as her potassium levels were supposedly dangerously high - on arrival and re testing - normal.		
118	A provision of a small MIU needs to be maintained in the south of the Forest so that at least some services can be provided that are available at present.		
119	By providing a new centre in Lydney for Urgent care and community services.		
120	Please give us a health facility in Lydney - not only for people in the Lydney area but for us in the very south of the Forest (Tidenham) who feel travelling to Cinderford will be a nightmare, especially for older people, not all of whom can afford taxis. How could pensioners with minor injuries or needing physio be expected to use a very infrequent bus service or worry about finding someone to take them?		
121	Distance / access / travel services to Cinderford far to far or non existent!		
122	With regard to transport you should negotiate and ensure through the appropriate bodies a more frequent and reliable bus service to serve the southern area, otherwise it will prove a real problem. Don't rely on stagecoach		
123	I wholeheartedly support the campaign for a new health hub in Lydney. This would undoubtedly help to fill the enormous gap which will be left by the eventual closure of our local Lydney hospital. Getting to Cinderford, especially in the winter could prove to be difficult A health hub in Lydney is an absolute necessity		
124	Provision of urgent care centre in the South Forest, particularly to take account of the population growth.		
125	You should provide a FREE transport service to enable the elderly get to this proposed hospital		
126	All of these proposals will have a devastating impact on Lydney in Particular. I was born in Lydney almost 70 years ago and services in those days were excellent. I had my first baby in Lydney hospital and my husband has his appendix removed in theatre there too. For industry also, Minor injuries has always been very important here.		
127	RETHINK THE WHOLE THING. MORE BEDS AND BETTER SITE?		
128	In an ideal world build two new hospitals. Perhaps Lydney could have a new Health Centre with facilities for minor injuries etc. The present one is off a public car park and does not have patient parking for free. Also on line of long awaited link road from Forest Road through to Albert Street.		
129	I would like to know how I am supposed to get there I live in Lydney I don't drive the buses to Cinderford only run at most one an hour and some of them I would have to change in Coleford even if we were lucky enough to get there if it was a late appointment I would be stranded as the buses stop early this journey would take about an hour		
130	If the funds available for a new hospital were invested in both Lydney and the Dilke an already good service could be improved		
131	Can only be limited by not building the new hospital.		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
132	I can only think of positive things.		
133	Keep local hospitals open to provide localised care		
134	Update or expand Lydney hospital Increase bed availability for the Forest.		
135	More bed capacity		
136	Keep Lydney Hospital operational.		
137	Greater provision of outpatient appointments. Flexibility on whether appointment slots are designated for a new referral or a follow-up appointment.		
138	Provide urgent care facilities locally, perhaps a nominated GP facility could be updated to include a minor injuries unit.		
139	I am very much in favour of a new hospital but worry about no end of care for people to die in hospital. A lot of people who cannot have this at home would hate to go into a care home to die.		
140	Need to consider delivery of urgent care across the Forest.		
141	As above, plus what plans are being implemented to provide Out-Patient care in the South of the Forest? At the moment the O P dept of Lydney Hospital is always very busy with the many Consultant/specialist/Physio appointments offered. Are these people now meant to travel to Gloucester?		
142	Single bedrooms - Some older people would hate to be in a room on their own. Someone to talk to helps recovery. You started all the consultation well before Covid, so basing rooms on Covid use should not come into the hospital design.		
143	Provide medical hub in Lydney		
144	Refurbish the Dilke and Lydney hospitals and not build one in Cinderford which we will not be able to access.		
145	Not possible to limit impact. Keep the existing 2 hospitals and supplement with a new build.		
146	Either keep the two existing hospitals or ensure a new facility is provided in Lydney		
147	Stop!		
148	At the moment I live in Lydney and the Local hospital is available should I need it. It is difficult to know from the consultation document what facilities will replace it. Also I once lived near a hospital without an A&E which was notorious for turning away seriously injured patients. It advised a man with third degree burns to ring an ambulance from a call box outside the hospital. (The ambulance station was literally across the road but the hospital refused to admit him or call an ambulance for him.) The man drove himself 8 miles to the nearest A&E when needless to say he was not in a fit state to do so. I also spent a Sunday morning limping around begging neighbours to drive me to the A&E when the minor injuries unit was closed. I cannot emphasise enough that what matters less than where the services are is whether they are accessible (especially to people who do not have or are nor in a fit state to drive a private car). What needs to be done to limit this is to ensure that whenever a local service is unavailable or cannot cope there is adequate transport to the next service. The minor injuries or local health centres should arrange this, not refuse to see patients.		
149	You could limit it by replacing the services we currently have at Lydney Hospital in another location, doctors surgery or a new health hub.		
150	The proposals will have major negative impact on me and my family. The provision of facilities at Cinderford are of no use to us whatsoever. This would be relieved by the retention of services in Lydney.		
151	By keeping Lydney Hospital. Most of the equipment there has been supplied by ""The Friends""		

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	Response Percent	Response Total
	answered	151
	skipped	44

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		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	171
	1	I do not think Cinderford is too far for people to go	
	2	They should keep Lydney Hospital as well. In bad winter weather Cinderford is the worst place to get to. I firmly believe that Lydney Hospital should be retained.	
	3	Work with local GP practices to innovate. Decide which services can reasonably be delivered locally bearing in mind the need to reduce CO2 through travel.	
	4	South of Forest Hospital.....EASY	
	5	Maybe a hospital in, say, Lydney?	
	6	There could be a small urgent care facility located in a surgery. Equally - I have travelled to Chepstow on one previous occasion to access the urgent care facility there.	
	7	If the MIU in Lydney remained open 7 days a week would relieve that anxiety.	
	8	There are no buses most of the time. Perhaps a hospital bus should run a Lydney link during clinic hours and an ambulance/patient transfer car out of hours. So many people do not drive or don't have access to a car. Also my experience of emergency care at the silken meant a problem getting there, little seating, few staff, and nowhere to lie down whilst severely vomiting.	
	9	Urgent care facility in Lydney	
	10	Keep Lydney open. There are barely any buses - not that I use them anyway. The drive to Cinderford is sketchy at the best of times, let alone in the dark / winter. It comes across that Sedbury hasn't been considered either, which is the very edge of the forest. Are they expected to go to the gwent / chepstow hospital? Surely people in Newent would go to Gloucester? How is Cinderford classed as central to the forest?	
	11	By spending money on Lydney Hospital and bringing up to date facilities there. They have already got a state of the art X-Ray dept. which was paid for by the people of the Forest. The Friends of Lydney Hospital has raised thousands and thousands of pounds for this lovely hospital and would continue to do so without hesitation as it is such a loved Hospital. It would be such a dreadful shame to close such a lovely facility which serves the south of the Forest so well and is so much more accessible than Cinderford.	
	12	apparently (according to local gossip) the Lydney cooperative in newerne st Lydneyis for dale. I am mindfull that the space within this building would adequately house, the Lydney x ray and various clinics, to gether with the local GP's and some A 'E. which would be good for our rapidly growing town	
	13	Develop a health care facility or help Lydney hospital open. There is public support for Lydney hospital. Alternative provide a free of charge taxi service to the new hospital in Cinderford and combine it with a free of charge transport to Cinderford and Lydney town centre.	
	14	Personally I think the urgent care should be in Lydney but if cinderford is the more strategic choice then so be it as it's all about saving lives not money	

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15	Sufficient public transport links are essential. Also, there should be plenty of disabled bays in the car park.		
16	At least some facility should be available in the Lydney area for easy access to those unable to drive or able to access alternative transport. A full blown UTC is probably not possible but a modified MIU must be seriously considered.		
17	Urgent care facilities could be provided at Lydney or at an improved healthcare centre/GP on the A48 north of Lydney. Eg Blakeney or Newnham.		
18	By providing a complimentary facility with urgent care and small interventions, this could be part of a larger GP practice.		
19	Improve, not make worse what we have.		
20	Regular transport links from all over the forest area will be required to Cinderford. There's obviously a need for a hospital in Lydney due to the increasing number of residents moving in to the area. Better GP's in the area. The Dr's at Severn Banks should be struck off as they refer patients to specialists too late. If they move the hospital to Cinderford patients who can't get there just won't bother going.		
21	Keep Lydney Hospital		
22	As above. We will go straight to Southmead rather than drive through the Forest roads		
23	Continue to provide it also at Lydney		
24	Road s from Lydney to cinderford not good enough, not acceptable		
25	keep a facility at lydney		
26	Would a smaller urgent care facility be possibility in the south of the Forest, maybe linked to an existing surgery?		
27	We were totally shocked that this hospital was being sited in Cinderford. This forest town has historically been the hardest town to access in bad weather. Had it been in Coleford we perhaps could have understood it. Obviously we are concerned for Lydney and district residents, all those in the south of the forest, who are losing our hospital at a time when our two GP surgeries are full to bursting, and hardly fit for purpose, Lydney's housing developments must be the largest by far in the 3 forest towns and the resulting increase in population is a huge cause for concern here. Whoever is responsible for the Cinderford decision needs to look again. We went into the car park in Lydney today and no sign of the NHS bus. Hope, like others things, this decision is not a ""done deal"" otherwise all this consultation is a waste of time and money!!		
28	I think local care should be provided		
29	As said before, the Lydney unit must be kept open. Urgent care needs to be close & easily accessible. Public transport to Cinderford is poor at best, and even if you have your own car the roads around Cinderford are dangerous, especially if you are stressed with a poorly family member or work colleague, & also during the winter. Lydney is a rapidly growing area and has better public transport		
30	Keeping Lydney MIU open.		
31	By keeping Lydney hospital open and returning to providing minor surgery operations and consultations		
32	Numerous smaller units (As is)		
33	Leave Lydney hospital alone		
34	By not going ahead with ur proposal		

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35	By keeping a hospital in Lydney!!!		
36	Keep Lydney open ,		
37	Keep the hospital we already have in Lydney.		
38	Keep Lydney Hospital open for emergencies and outpatient services		
39	By keeping urgent care unit in Lydney.		
40	24 hrs service		
41	Listen to the previous views given! There would need to be another urgent care facility in the South. I personally feel that if only one urgent care facility/hospital was your aim this could have been achieved in the South. The reasons have been recorded previously but I feel road access via A48 is better, easier if patients then need to be transferred to Southmead or GRH, the weather affecting transport for both patients and staff - Lydney rarely gets problems due to snow and ice as opposed to Cinderford, higher population of residents due to new builds, accessibility with better roads and also railway station. Building the new hospital in Cinderford means you will need to have another facility in the south.		
42	Think this is a rubbish idea.. just because of the location.. Coleford would of been better fir the Forest of Dean.. and I live in lydney just due to the times it takes to drive the forest roads..		
43	If you propose one hospital for the forest of dean I suggest you supply transport for every appointment		
44	If you had a practice in Lydney that provided some diagnostic and long day injury care people would feel less bothered that an in patient stay would be in Cinderford.		
45	Keep Lydney open!!		
46	Lydney needs to keep a minor injury unit, as people as far away as sedbury and branchlet use the service as it is closest. (Otherwise they need to travel to Newport or Abergavenny)		
47	Already answered this.		
48	Continue to use our existing hospitals and also have this new one to support population increases		
49	Alot easier if u dont drive		
50	By keeping Lydney open. There is nothing you can do that would make the night-time journey there safer for a lone woman and her sick child! And in winter, forget about it! It would be impossible to get there without a 4x4		
51	If the final decision is to be Cinderford then an urgent care facility is needed in the Lydney area which is already struggling to cope with demand the population is increasing and set to increase even more		
52	Keep and invest in Lydney Hospital, obviously!		
53	Have a place further down the A48 not in the forest that is easy to navigate for the less confident or elderly. Lydney hospital able to asses urgent care 8am-8pm Spread the services instead if making people needing to travel 71sh miles(cinderford) or 15ish miles (gloucester) and pay higher parking for a 10min appointment		
54	Hub in Lydney containing MIU and radiology		
55	Build a second hospital in Lydney		
56	There needs to be multiple facilities across the forest, as it is not the small community it once was which could previously cope with the current services. We have so many additional housing estates and people are more likely to move here to commute now the severn bridge is closed.		
57	Provision of local GP run units in Lydney. Improved road links between Lydney and Cinderford. Provision of direct public transport between Lydney and Cinderford!		

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58	Some form of facility in Lydney		
59	Keep the 2 hospitals but upgrade them		
60	Keep the hospitals we have at the moment open? Often we don't have much ambulance cover either in the first of Dean so they send trained firefighters. They are wonderful and brilliant but surely when you need an ambulance or hospital and firefighters arrive they are limited what they can do and it's risking lives of local people. It's not good enough. Not that long ago I waited 40 minutes for an ambulance and it ended coming from Wales instead of Gloucester.		
61	Reliable, free shuttle bus, free parking		
62	KEEP BOTH HOSPITALS		
63	Another location also		
64	More ambulances stationed towards the Tutshill/Lydney area so at least triage could happen. Let's face it at the moment in an emergency with at least 45 minutes to Gloucester we wouldn't stand a chance.		
65	By keeping Lydney hospital open		
66	Urgent care around the Forest firstly needs more doctors at emergency departments. I have found myself being taken straight to Gloucester by ambulance because of the lack of facilities around here.		
67	Leave lydney to stay open.		
68	Run a better bus service. Provide cheap transport for much needed hospital care		
69	No transport to Cinderford Nearer to them		
70	To have a facility in lydney, with all the current services we have now including x Ray and out patient		
71	Keep the hospitals we have and develop them.		
72	Have two hospitals		
73	Keep Lydney open and have walk in facilities oncorporated		
74	Keep the other two hospitals		
75	Keep Lydney hospital open offering the same and further services to patients, improve the facilities and invest in the future of our health.		
76	Keep Lydney open		
77	Bigger health centre in Lydney		
78	again transport, if something was urgent you couldn't expect people to use public transport if they have no other family etc the number of patients that would attend, would the hospital be able to cope as the hospital will cover such a big area there is alot of elderly people living in Lydney who have been here years, surely it would be better for them to be in hospital closer to their family than in Cinderford to be able to conveniently visit them.		
79	A second hospital. Cinderford is too far away a trip to Gloucester is nearly as easy. Reverse the decision. Lydney has a faster growing population than elsewhere and this new hospital is non sensical would mean a 45min round trip! Horrific consequences for the south forest. A decision made by people with no idea about the forest		
80	I don't know how but e should have access to it		
81	Expand the The Lydney Health Centre to include an A&E department		

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82	The publicising of NHS 111 first in a few weeks will enable better access to urgent care as long as this proposal has been linked to the service redesign with the access to bookable slots being increased. I'd also like to understand what plans there are to increase SDEC/ A&G services in order to reduce the need for onward referral to secondary care. In particular the proposal should consider the public perception of the impact on paed's, and develop a 'children's' response which hasn't been mentioned within this. Neither has mental health crisis care.		
83	Keep Lydney hospital		
84	Well, maybe you could tell me how, in these terrible cash-strapped times, you as indv councils are going to afford to run buses all night/ crazy. I know all about money in councils , as I worked in schools for nearly 30 yrs here. I will try never to go, unless I can get a bus. I don't see why I shd get my hubby to take me- and if it's him who's ill, I no way can drive his heavy car, so I shall call 999.		
85	By keeping Lydney Hospital open. It is the only sensible option. Not that common sense is often used in these consultations.		
86	you would need to provide 24hr access to the new hospital for the whole of the FOD - a fleet of mini-buses on a Dial-A-Ride system?		
87	It is not accessible for our side of the forest. Another urgent care facility should be built in lydney or the old one kept open		
88	By not closing essential, easily accessible hospitals and minor injury units!		
89	There must be better health provision in, or near Lydney.		
90	The ability to have a minor injury unit local is better than having to travel to Gloucester.		
91	The location of the hospital is key and Lydney is more central, Cinderford is far to in accessible especially in the winter		
92	Keep a MIU in Lydney		
93	Continue the services at Lydney hospital, many local people have worked hard to fundraise for this facility and local staff understand their community.		
94	I think Cinderford is the wrong location. This has to be in the southern area of the FOD that provides for the larger population & also good access to the A48.		
95	Keep a minor injuries unit and birth unit in the south of the Forest. Improve ambulance coverage		
96	I think we should keep lydney a&e open so that we can get urgent care. During the pandemic we have used Cinderford for the COVID patients and lydney for a &e what will happen if we combine!!!		
97	Keep lydney open		
98	Either reconsider the location of the hospital to coleford as public transport is more readily available. Or keep Lydney minor injuries unit open for urgent care needs as there lots of villages that use lydney. If they are forced to go to cinderford. It will take the same time as going to Bristol or Gloucester. Which will not relieve the bigger hospitals as you hope.		
99	Ensure frequent public transport links are in place; increase opening hours of the hopsital in Cinderford; keep exisiting facilities at Lydney and the Dilke open.		
100	Lydney could do with a super surgery and a hospital to stay so people can get to Lydney better than Cinderford		
101	A good unit on the bypass in Lydney with quick access to Gloucester and Bristol would be much better and easy access in winter months cinder Ford is not easy in bad weather !!!!!!!		

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102	Transport links need to be massively improved but a provision in lydney area needs to be implemented		
103	The issue again, and perhaps here it is even more important, is the difficulty of accessing the site of the hospital you have chosen. From the South of the Forest, it could well be quicker to go to Gloucester rather than Steam Mills. I believe many people will choose this option. Some form of provision needs to be made for urgent care in the South of the Forest, logically in Lydney. This is where the largest number of people live and where the greatest growth in population will take place.		
104	Keep lydney and dilke open...common sense...		
105	It can't. Cinderford is in worse possible location in the middle of nowhere with no train and limited bus service as well as not being easy for car journeys either		
106	Keeping Lydney Minor Injuries Unit open would greatly improve access to urgent care for people in the south of the Forest. Cinderford is simply too far to travel when distressed or in pain.		
107	You need a new shuttle bus service between Tutshill and Cinderford which can visit villages such as St Briavels on request.		
108	You need to have Urgent care facilities in Lydney. Potentially having a minor wounds room in Lydney GP surgery might be one way to achieve this. Key to success for this would be that its open at weekends and that its a turn up and go facility not one that relies on the tortuous booking system that the surgery currently uses		
109	Specific forest phonenumber - (not 111) to trained local staff, who can direct appropriate and timely care to the patient. Both timely and appropriate are key here. Extended opening hours at a doctor surgery, care hub or healthcentre with a specific urgent care facility. Extended opening hours and overhaul of primary care so that patients do not need to wait as long to see a doctor, so that some cases do not become urgent either in reality or in the mind of the patient.		
110	Keep 2 hospitals		
111	A vehicle based in the hospital to be available to collect people who are either not able to use their own vehicle or do not have access to a private vehicle.		
112	By keeping lydney and the Dilke hospital open so all areas of the forest of dean can access a local hospital in an emergency		
113	As I've already said. I don't agree with Lydney Hospital being replaced with another one that is not easily accessible. The Dilke does need replacing, but not Lydney. So many people want to keep Lydney hospital but their wishes have been ignored.		
114	Mixture of self car drive, bus, volunteers and friends. Ensure adequate parking on site. All of this would be needed wherever the site is. It's just further from the South of the Forest.		
115	Keep the Lydney hospital open. Even if I was fit to drive to urgent care in Cinderford it would take at least 30 minutes to get there. Bus services to and from Aylburton where I live are almost non-existent, and taxi fares are extremely expensive.		
116	The hospital should be based more centrally, like Lydney where there is more housing development and it is also the furthest point from Glos in the forest. Tbh we'd carry on to Glos, rather than make our way to Cinderford for out of hours.		
117	Facility in one of the Lydney surgeries		
118	To keep the minor injury unit open in Lydney.		
119	As previously stated there could be some kind of provision made either some outreach clinics that could link with the Hospital, so that people could be seen quickly, without having to travel, the south of the Forest has an increasing population and I feel this must be taken into consideration.		

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120	The current MIU in Lydney is a wonderful facility and should be kept even if inpatient beds are moved to Cinderford. There are precedents for this elsewhere and even if access times are reduced to save on staff costs, we would not be happy to have no service especially in Winter anywhere in the south forest		
121	As previously stated a hospital in Lydney (as present) or Coleford would be more accessible		
122	By keeping an urgent care department open at Lydney Hospital		
123	I am concerned about future health care in Lydney. If we are to lose our local hospital, I feel there is still a need for continuous provision in the town. Lydney is growing in size with a rapid increase of new housing and this needs to be taken into consideration. A new updated surgery/ health centre with additional services, perhaps on the site of Lydney hospital, would be a good idea.		
124	As above, but not sure who or how it could be provided unless part of Lydney hospital is kept open. Eg current outpatients department		
125	Commission eye services from an optician and minor injury/illness from one or more pharmacies, Lydney and Coleford.		
126	Perhaps there could be a small specialised unit attached to one of the current GP surgeries in Lydney for minor injuries etc.		
127	Lydney's own A&E.		
128	Keep the Dilke and Lydney hospitals open		
129	As I have said, a Health Hub in the expanding town of Lydney.		
130	Keep Lydney Hospital open especially for x-ray and outpatient care		
131	Local care should be put in the place least affected by weather particularly snow and should be easily accessed by public transport		
132	For us in the South of the Forest - ? GPs to be open longer with the funding to see urgent care drop ins? ? Frequent and reliable public transport from Lydney and Coleford to new Hospital? ? A & E Zoom or phone consultations from new Hospital ??		
133	Community transport from Lydney area to the new hospital for those without car transport who would find it difficult to use public transport.		
134	As stated previously a MIU needs to be located in the south of the district to support the rapidly growing population.		
135	As per my last comment. A new centre should be built in Lydney to provide urgent care.		
136	We need a facility in Lydney for outpatients, minor injuries and physio and similar treatment, which would be so much easier for us to get to and less expensive if we had to resort to taxi. It seems everything is being put in Cinderford - we have been sidelined.		
137	Dial Ride services if they have no personal transport		
138	1) Blatantly obvious - retain Lydney hospital 2) Build another in / around this (west) area		
139	The closure of Lydney hospital will result in a real and significant reduction in the medical services currently provided in the southern part of the district bearing in mind that the population of Lydney (9000+) Sedbury and Tutshill (4500) is by far the greatest in the Dean, increasing rapidly with the surge of new housing developments There must therefore be the provision of an urgent care facility to serve this area otherwise you will be accused of a lack of foresight and profundity		

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140	Creation of an urgent care centre in one of the new super surgeries, which includes x-ray facilities.		
141	Keep Lydney OPEN		
142	Urgent care is absolutely no use at all if it is only in Cinderford. The narrow forest roads are so dangerous in the winter and can be totally impassable in snow and ice.		
143	Both Cinderford & Lydney need new surgeries with better facilities which could deal with A & E and we also need a hospital with at least 48 beds which needs to be more central for the whole community but have diagnostic services as well. We also need it to have a unit dedicated to end of life care.		
144	Spend some of the Money the Prime Minister Boris promised for hospitals and merge the two practices in Lydney to a state of the art new Health and Wellbeing Centre with urgent care provision.		
145	As previous page transport, I think that lydney needs a super surgery combining the two practices we have now with an small minor injuries unit it should retain its xray unit after all it was local peoples donations that supplied it in the first place		
146	Improve and expand Lydney hospital		
147	Keep the local hospitals.		
148	I don't think that this will be an issue, it will be much better to have a new facility in Cinderford.		
149	Lydney needs urgent care facilities within a newly built health centre. This centre should be adequately staffed with doctors to eliminate long waits for a consultation.		
150	Keep local hospitals pen for limited services		
151	Urgent care facilities should continue in Lydney and Cinderford		
152	Urgent care should be available in Lydney up grade the hospital		
153	Keeping Lydney Hospital operational.		
154	Shuttlebus service with pre-booked seats, with capacity for patients to be accompanied		
155	As above		
156	Create more help in Lydney		
157	This is tricky. An urgent care facility in Lydney is ideal.		
158	By commissioning a brand new 'Health Hub' in the Lydney area to serve the ever increasing population of the south Forest The building should have sufficient space to accommodate not only 'Urgent Care' facilities led by GPs and ANPs but' all the wider community services to which you refer.		
159	A local hub in the south of the Forest would be beneficial for initial urgent care rather than having to travel to Cinderford		
160	The only way to improve 'urgent care' is by providing a facility that offers such a service in the South of this area. Consideration should be given to the large number of houses being built in this area, the growing and aging population and the lack of quality public transport plus it's unsuitability as a means of transport for the seriously unwell. It should be noted that the Lydney area is without the required number of GP's and Lydney hospital is too often having to deal with members of the public unable to get appointments with their Doctors for several days, if not weeks , assuming they can even get through on the telephone.		
161	There should be better transport to get to the facility's that is a big concern. Also if we have heavy snow that will limit transport.		

During earlier engagement, concerns were raised about people accessing a single urgent care facility located in Cinderford. Please tell us your ideas for how you think urgent care could be made more accessible for people living in the south of the Forest.

		Response Percent	Response Total
162	A super surgery in Lydney that can be used for urgent care also some clinics and outpatients services. Cinderford is difficult to get to in bad weather with steep hills and lanes that are often blocked with snow or fallen trees		
163	Retain Lydney hospital as medical hub for South of forest		
164	Keep the two we already have. Your proposal is more about saving money and not providing a full service to the local communities.		
165	Keep the existing hospitals and supplement with a new build		
166	Provide one by building a super surgery or retain the existing facility		
167	Leave things as they are or improve the services already provided.		
168	Free transport for patients. Also if someone presents at a minor injuries unit with something so serious it cannot be dealt with there, an ambulance or taxi should be arranged to take them to a suitable facility.		
169	The services we have now need to be maintained locally. We particularly need MIU as our family have used it on numerous occasions. We are an NP16 postcode but live in Gloucestershire. Lydney needs a new facility be it in surgeries or a new location to replace what we are losing. We have been entirely overlooked in the South and our views totally disregarded yet we are the largest growing area in the Forest.		
170	Earlier engagement with people living in the South of the Forest has been completely ignored. Care will remain accessible for people living in the South of the Forest by the retention of facilities and services at Lydney.		
171	At least 2 hospitals are essential for the Forest of Dean for urgent care, otherwise we can expect deaths!		
		answered	171
		skipped	24

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	127
1	It is pointless building one new hospital to replace 2 when there are plans for huge new housing estates. It will not cope with the increased numbers.		
2	The pandemic has highlighted the need for good local services as demonstrated by the recent drive through flu clinic in Lydney! We need innovation in delivery of healthcare which addresses the local needs and treats us as people, not numbers!		
3	This is a huge mistake for the Forest of Dean medical services provision		
4	What was the point of the earlier consultation, as it showed that the majority of replies were not in support of the actions you decided upon?		
5	I'm fully in favour of one single hospital on one site for the FoD - particularly since this would provide much better facilities and more up-to-date treatment options. I recognise that the bed occupancy of hospitals is likely to decline particularly if the home care services can increase at the same time.		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
6	Either go the whole way and supply a proper hospital with decent facilities, well staffed with appropriate trained doctors, able to actually treat patients not just review and send on to Gloucester. Somewhere offering rehabilitation to older patients. Where carers are also supported. Where tests can be taken and processed		
7	Cinderford is associated with a high population of drug addicts and alcoholics - consider the people who will be frequenting the MIU, and then think about a lone female with a poorly child being up there, having driven through the dark forest, worried sick about their child, then facing problems from a drunk. Is this acceptable? Would you really expect that of someone? What remuneration will be given to the people of Lydney who have spent so much time and money helping to keep the hospital open? Why weren't we given any say?		
8	This whole issue has carried on regardless of our wishes. Right in the very beginning more people wanted to keep both hospitals but that didn't happen. Then there wasn't a whole Forest consultation on the siting of it and before we know it we will have a new hospital with just the facilities you decide to provide. What we want will count for nothing, as usual.		
9	in the booklet you talk about a bus stop outside the hospital, please ensure that buses run as well		
10	Local people have not been involved in the decision making process. The citizens jury did not include local people and the executive of GCS is not local and keeps changing with no-one taking responsibility and accountability. It's a classic example of waste of public finances which could have been invested in services, nurses etc. No standards are published to benchmark the performance of this 'new hospital'.		
11	Please consider implementing a maternity unit at this new Cinderford site for those who live in the Forest of Dean district. Gloucester is so far away from the western side of the forest and it would be great for future populations to start being born in the forest again.		
12	We need urgent care and cancer care should be paramount to the Forest of Dean due to the amount of people currently living and rising every day the FOD is get bigger and bigger every day plus the residents are predominantly older people than the rest of the UK is		
13	Things about the proposal I like: dedicated space for chemotherapy & breast screening buses; dementia-friendly environment; reducing the number of times people need to travel all the way to Gloucester or Cheltenham for out-patient services. For the future - is there room for expansion of the hospital buildings as the local population expands?		
14	I have participated for several years in meetings about the future health and welfare care in the Forest and served for 10 years as Chair of the Friends of Lydney Hospital charity. I am now a trustee for the charity.		
15	The proposal for the Cinderford Hospital sounds well thought out, access needs to be thought out, especially as we are encouraged to reduce our car journeys.....Cinderford is not well served with public transport.		
16	The previous consultation was geared towards the final conclusion. It all appeared to be fair, but was certainly not. As often happens with consultation, the questions or exercises are written in a way that predicts the future.		
17	Very concerned that the south of the forest is being abandoned		
18	Seriously concerned about the ability to deliver quite dependent care at home although would love this to happen effectively. Think an urgent care service needs to be staffed by highly trained nurses. Am not sure if the impact on Gloucester hospital has been effectively modelled . All seems rather aspirational at the moment.		
19	No I have made my feelings clear		
20	You are to be commended on your degree of consultation.		
21	I think it is a great idea to have anew hospital but also local units should be provided area the Forest for local people to excess in their area		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
22	One hospital in Cinderford looks ok to someone sitting in an office looking at a map, I agree, but in practice it will not work and people on the forest and surrounding area will be let down and add to the current misery of people trying to get medical care. Gloucester hospital has already had it's workload increased by closing Cheltenham emergency services and would not cope with extra patients from the Lydney/Forest area which could be treated at Lydney.		
23	Please reconsider you decision on closing Lydney Hospital now! We need this facility in the south forest and feel that you have not taken into account the huge impact this would have on our community.		
24	Think sensibly and practically before taking vital services away from communities!		
25	Better equip both hodpitas		
26	Yes- listen to the people who actually live here and know how difficult it may be in future to access the care needed in what could be urgent situations!!		
27	Consider those south if the forest , we might as well go to Gloucester the time it takes to get to Cinderford , with the growing population in Lydney and south !Urgent care should be available !!		
28	Please think of the future!. The forest area is growing. You will be putting the Lydney/ south of the forest at risk and lives will be lost. Your plans will cause undue pressure and harm to people that will not be able to access the proposed provision. Don't take away our hospital!!		
29	I do agree the forest needs an up to date hospital desperately, but the location in my opinion and others I know of is completely wrong		
30	I have been opposed to the closure of the existing hospitals from the beginning, as have most people i know. You do not listen to us!		
31	Yes please reassure us you can meet thd needs of a growing population		
32	Make sure you retain the devices you are promising at the new hospital, because Chepstow hospital promised so much, and now, years later, the only services they have are GP, dentist and a geriatric ward. I find it great that I can get X-ray, physiotherapist, outpatient services locally. People living in south west Gloucestershire will not have anything close if these services are not maintained.		
33	No		
34	Please use some common sense...less beds make no sense...		
35	This decision never should have been made. Forest residents were ignored, and continue to be ignored. This is a complete waste of money that would be better spent improving the current two hospitals. There are those of us who have spent our loves involved with the hospitals and the fundraising for them - how are you going to compensate the people of Lydney for all of their time and money they have put into the hospital over the years?		
36	Closing Lydney hospital will cost lives		
37	The people behind these proposals are not fit to call themselves NHS workers.		
38	Lydney is further from gloucester than cinderford and cant access health care as easy as cinderford which is 7miles closer to gloucester than Lydney and lydney is 9miles from Wales which cant access their healthcare because were in england and 19 miles to bristol. Where the local to lydney healthcare		
39	I think you need to seriously consider whether the cinderford facility will be able to cope with the sheer volume of urgent matters.		
40	Centralisation of health services, particularly in light of the pandemic is counter intuitive! We need more localised general services backed by centres of excellence in large cities.		
41	I hope that this survey is taken seriously and that the decisions have not already been made. The last consultation was pointless due to this and I think maybe this is just a paperwork exercise		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
42	Please consider your choices wisely, I know most fo your choices will be determined by costs, but if people die because they live in the wrong end of the forest where you have closed our hospital or people can't get help for emergency accidents quickly, it's not good enough really, our ambulance service is not reliable and we often get firefighters when no ambulances are around and now your taking our hospital too? I feel it's a slippery slope!		
43	Please leave Lydney open as a minor injuries unit. With the new houses and the people moving in, Lydney needs more access to care		
44	PLEASE THINK OF THE PEOPLE AND NOT MONEY. WE HAVE PAYED INTO THE NHS ALL OUR LIVES AND FEEL THAT YOU ARE TAKING AWAY ARE RIGHTS TO ACCESS		
45	Having a ward we could go to for a broken arm was amazing during coronavirus away from Gloucester hospital. It is important to have one large hospital in good times to save money but the cottage hospital/ local services are vital in pandemics to be able to separate the population.		
46	Please consider and take on board the feelings and comments from people. Don't be blinkered and carry on without listening to residents points of view. We are not being selfish we are genuinely concerned about how we will access health care in the Lydney area.		
47	Do not remove Lydney hospital (which is already severely limited) from us. Think of the local people that is their only safety net.		
48	I can see no sense at all for closing lydney hospital either now or in the future.		
49	Nah		
50	dont close lydney hospital		
51	Have an easy read document for everyone to understand		
52	No!		
53	Don't reduce our facilities and bed capacity		
54	I am extremely concerened that this consultation is yet again lip service to show that you are listening to the community, yet the outcome won't change! We the people of the Forest of Dean weren't given a decent consultation in the first place on the new hospital and the proposed closure of our two community hospitals. The outcome was that people didn't want a new hospital, however this was not listened too, you are reducing 2 to 1 that is a reduction in services that will cause huge issues in the local area especially with Covid, an icrease in housing and population!		
55	I think closing the hospital in Lydney will be a negative affect on the local area, and also an insult to local people and it's history. It could do with being slightly updated, but closing it would just anger locals and make problems for people who have no transport to get to Cinderford. It is convenient, easily accessed, and a staple for our community.		
56	Keep two hospitals. The forests unique landscape makes travel more difficult		
57	It would make me feel secure if I knew there was a good hospital which could cope and not have to rely on getting to Gloucester royal.		
58	Having a ""super hospital"" in Cinderford is denying people of Lydney the ability to secure hospital appointments that are easily accessible. This will have a devastating impact on Lydney families		
59	All been said, it is fine, to have C'ford; BUT to knock down/shut Lydney is very very ill-advised. It is also a mockery of the enormous amount of money hard-working tax payers have put into all the work in Lydney. What a shame.		
60	I hate these so called consultations when we waste our time giving you our views knowing you will do exactly what you want irrespective of our wishes.		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
61	I am sure that this consultation exercise is merely box-ticking - it is already a done deal! As it is going ahead anyway then please please consider providing a chemo/radiotherapy unit where treatment can be given per plan- the trek backwards & forwards to Cheltenham & Stroud is appalling especially for those having to use public transport/volunteers. Please consider a GP hub for Lydney with a range of minor services and prescription filling service up to 8pm (nearest 24hr is Quedgeley!!). We are a growing population here in the South Forest.		
62	There should be maternity care in the forest to offer a more comfortable environment and for less travel for mums		
63	Please don't shut Lydney hospital.		
64	I disagree with the "findings " of the bed provision against the set guidelines.		
65	It's a shame Lydney & the Dilke have to close, it would be better if this was a new extra facility.		
66	We are very disappointed with the decision to locate the hospital in Cinderford and think it will not provide care for Tidenham Parish		
67	Dont try and fix something that is not broken		
68	The increasing population of Lydney needs to be seriously considered! More and people are moving to the town, without a hospital/outpatients facilities, it will will increase pressure on the proposed new unit!		
69	This consultation has to be firmly unbiased & without influence & be truly in the best interests of the FOD. It should not be lip service to an already agreed agenda. It is to be entirely transparent & accessible to the FOD & engage the FOD in all stages & aspects of development.		
70	It shouldn't be at Cinderford		
71	Keep lydney hospital open !!!		
72	<p>I urge you to reconsider the location of the new hospital because of the logistics for people to travel there. People who live on the forest of Dean border with Wales. Would be better of travel to Gloucester or Bristol it would be quicker and have better transport links then cinderford does. Also the opening times of the urgent care department need to be reconsidered as many people use the departments after 8pm. The number of beds for inpatients needs to be increased the number 24 just seem to low for the amount of potential patients that could be cared for at this new hospital. Given the new houseing that is being built in pretty much in all towns in the forest of Dean. Also the ageing population of the people of forest of Dean. I fail to see how having only 24 beds 'Fit for the Future'.</p> <p>Since you have chosen for the new Hospital. As 31% agreed to the new hospital and 55% disagreed to having a new hospital. I ask you to kindly consider whether you have made the right choice in regards to the new hospital that you want and it's location. In my humble opinion given the information that you have provided in the public domain. I think the money would be better being spent on developing the two hospitals that are currently in place. Unless you are willing to make sure the roads are clear from any obstructions no matter the weather for example snow. How do you expect people to travel to cinderford when there is snow on the ground.</p> <p>Please reconsider what you are planning on doing because once you have started I'm afraid this can't be reversed</p>		
73	I am not happy Lydney will be losing essential services in which it needs to support the district and easier than Cinderford in alot of places to get to		
74	A good quality hospital is needed for the Forest we are a big growing area and Cinderford is one of the hardest to get to in bad weather		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
75	Just to restate how important it is that all people in Lydney and the South Forest area have reliable access to high quality local health care provision. I stress local. Your choice of location for the new hospital may be only a few miles away, but as anybody know, this not an easy drive, especially in bad weather, and public transport is highly problematic/effectively non-existent. Promises that this will be addressed are, based on past experience, at best disingenuous. We are losing a local facility which clearly needing updating, but was much loved and valued. In addition to the new hospital, we urgently and I would stress urgently, require a state of the art local health hub as described above.		
76	The South of the Forest needs adequate health provision such as a hub providing outpatients services diagnostics and MIU which can be provided at Lydney with its easily accessible location for all modes of transport and to cover the huge increase in housing and population		
77	Centralising services to Cinderford has no benefit to people living in the south of the Forest. Many of us already feel cut-off from certain services and have to travel to Gloucester and even Cheltenham to access them, so the removal of even more would leave us feeling stranded and isolated.		
78	Will staffing levels be consistent 24/7 ? Will car parking be adequate and remain free?		
79	I find it amazing that there is equal amount of time worrying about who is responding to the survey as to the amount of space avail to consult with us.		
80	Designing for dementia, ageing and patients is not just about colour, signage and lighting. Please also consider use for different finishes, pattern, impact of sound, length of corridors, spaces to walk/move, informal wayfinding, reinforcing context, rooms with a view, seating, public transport, type of lighting as well as light levels, control over your environment		
81	Publish the timescale for the build and ensure that work stays on time.		
82	Please actually take the public's opinions on the matter as serious and making our voices count for something rather than not even considering our views on the services we use		
83	The wishes of the public have NOT been taken into account. The decision had already been made before you asked the public. It has been a con from the start. The powers that be had no interest in what the public wanted.		
84	I think one facility is a bad idea. The two we have are well situated, and well used. Reducing the number of inpatient beds is a very bad thing for the Forest.		
85	Plenty of free parking should be available with easy drop off and collection for elderly/ disabled patients. If access is by video entry there should be a large covered porch area with seating.		
86	Lydney and other local people have generously supported the local hospital with their time and money and feel this should be acknowledged by having NHS services other than 2 doctors surgeries located in a health and wellbeing local facility		
87	I think the best option going forward would be looking at a different location for the new hospital one that is more accessible in inclement weather and easier to get to via public transport links		
88	How can the proposed hospital be "Fit for the Future" if it provides the Forest with fewer beds than are currently available? It is already difficult to find suitable care for the elderly when they are discharged from Gloucester. Care homes are full, care in the community takes time to organise and is not always available or suitable. This being the case there will inevitably be an increase in 'bed blocking' in the GRH. In the end this will cost more money and lives than keeping Lydney Hospital open will cost		
89	Would just like to re-emphasize my concerns about improved health provision in Lydney. Particularly in view of its increasing size.		
90	We know we have to modernize what we have in the forest but at present we have 2 very active friends of Lydney & Dilke hospitals. They raise a lot of money each year to help provide extras for the hospitals. I do not think the new facility will receive the same kind of support		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
91	Modern facilities fit for the future are an absolute requirement for population in the Forest of Dean, so the new development is welcomed. It will be about developing some local solutions to support people for whom travel across the Forest would be problematic.		
92	There would seem to be an opportunity here to utilise one (or a part) of one of the existing hospital buildings to support patients after a lengthy hospital stay to get them used to looking after themselves again. The specific unit in Gloucester was very helpful to my mother in law during her rehabilitation after breaking her hip. This would free up hospital beds and provide a half way house to full independence.		
93	Have the ""guts"" to over ride obviously wrong decisions made by any future Citizens Juries!		
94	New hoispitals should enhance existing facilities not downgarde themthe plan to cl;ose two local hospitals and replace with one smaller one miles away is not fit for purpose		
95	<p>Strong links with SS on site to help with seamless discharging and planning. Increased funding + + + to Great Oaks for end of life support including beds. Strong links with Mental Health + LD Services - I assume they will still be based at Colliers Court?</p> <p>New hospital not just to focus on illness but to be a HEALTH and WELLBEING facility.</p> <p>HEALTH PROMOTION Groups - Healthy Heart, Diabetes, Weight loss, Dementia Awareness, Walking, Singing, Dancing etc. (Some of these groups can bring in income)</p> <p>Cafe with focus on Healthy Eating!! NO vending machines! In house Catering In house laundry</p> <p>HYDRO Pool!</p> <p>Access to Cycle routes and Walking paths.</p> <p>Sensory Garden. Raised beds area for horticultural Therapy. Pets as Therapy - PAT dogs and Petting Station!</p>		
96	I have seen (too late) on this website that the bus was at Chepstow Community Hospital on 1 December. We live in Tidenham, England, and England was in lockdown until 2 December, as you should know, and we have been discouraged from crossing the border into Wales except for essential reasons. Whilst it might not have been classed as an essential trip into Wales, I would have visited the bus on the 1st had I known about it. I saw absolutely NO publicity in this area about it. We take The Forester paper - saw nothing in there about it. We don't do social media. How were we supposed to know? It seems again that we are being sidelined in the south and little effort is being made to address our worries about the location of future health services in our own area.		
97	Good Luck new facilities are badly needed and its the fear of change that puts most people off a new hospital not the logic of what it can offer.		
98	I note you keep referring to ""South of the Forest"" there are so many of us in West of the forest		
99	<p>1) it would appear that the text of the whole consultation document is purposely not put in a clear understandable way particularly with regard to bad provision and end of life care It can only be appreciated by the esoteric members of the community not by the general public</p> <p>2) What pray is the point of this consultation when no account was made of the public response to the first In fact it is considered a complete waste of your time, the publics time, printing costs etc when you know full well that all the decisions have already been made We seem to be going backwards but in fact backwards would be better that the proposed</p> <p>3) No mention is made as to your intentions for Lydney hospital</p>		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
100	<p>A very sensible issue - The provision of 24 beds in the new hospital seems grossly unrealistic being that the current population of FOD is 83700 and rising. The decision has obviously been made so we need reassurance that this limited number of beds (24) will be retained and used for local population only and you will as stated buy beds as needed for Gloucester / Cheltenham patients</p> <p>It would appear the intention is to steer end of life patients away from the new hospital into hospices, care homes or remain in their own homes with support</p> <p>As I believe hospices are supported financially by public donations, how would this work? In employing their nurses to visit end of life patients this would put an increased demand in their services</p>		
101	<p>Following the pandemic, I do believe we need to consider a renewed evidence base on this decision before a spade is put into the ground. I am not averse to a single new hospital, but would like to ensure the evidence for the current location, and the provision of care across the District is improved as a result of this decision, not diminished.</p>		
102	<p>Yes, I have had family in the last four years who , when dying, were sent to Stroud as no beds in Lydney or Dilke as full of Patients from Gloucester and Cheltenham. This is totally unacceptable in my opinion and should never be allowed to happen. I am very angry about the way this has been allowed to happen. Whatever has happened to compassion? This is not progress, it is a scandal.</p>		
103	<p>I would have thought that as this is about FOD medical services, both the FoD council and the local doctors would have had seats at the table and a very large say in what would happen. Let us decide our own needs not present us with questions that have limited answers all slanted to get the response people not representative of locals have already decided on.</p>		
104	<p>I wonder how much influence you have over bus providers to ensure a reliable service across the Forest to get to new hospital site.</p>		
105	<p>I understand that this hospital will have all single en suite rooms this might sound all very posh and by all means have some but I think this is badly thought out and think small maybe 4 bed single sex with en suite would be better unless you want to kill people off with loneliness</p>		
106	<p>Why are you asking for opinions when even before any consultation the decision had already been made</p>		
107	<p>Please keep our local hospitals. They are better for the local community.</p>		
108	<p>I am really pleased that we will have a new hospital in Cinderford, it's easily accessible and it will benefit the local community.</p>		
109	<p>The new hospital NEEDS MORE IN PATIENT BEDS.</p>		
110	<p>The proposal does not meet the needs of the local community</p>		
111	<p>With the increased housing around Lydney, a small Cinderford location is going to be both too small and problematic to access for many.</p>		
112	<p>I agree with the need for a new hospital, and am happy for a single site, but do still have some concerns about the capacity on offer</p>		
113	<p>I applaud the issue of this document and the previous information of a year or so ago</p>		
114	<p>I do not think 24 beds is enough. I think 30 beds should be minimum. Nice to have separate wards but from experience i know how patients like to talk to each other and give comfort to each other when they are feeling low. Have heard good conversations between patients which makes time pass instead of meal times being the highlight of the day.</p>		
115	<p>Only that I fully support the development of a new modern community hospital. We just need to get the provision of urgent care right.</p>		

Anything else you would like to say?

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116	When we (Friends of Lydney Hospital) originally entered into discussions with the Health Authorities over the proposed closure of both hospitals, we were assured that which ever area did not have the new hospital would have a substantial 'Health Hub'. So far Cinderford has had a large new health centre and will have a brand new hospital - Lydney has nothing!		
117	I strongly feel that the on-going Covid 19 pandemic has brought home most forcefully the problems faced by the NHS and has illustrated the need for a hospital service that is wider-ranging than that offered by any new proposed building. The Powers that Be may build a beautiful architect-designed facility in a verdant setting, staffed by dedicated health professionals, but if the majority of the population are unable to access it or if too few beds are available many of the Forest population will be left with no care, urgent or otherwise available to them.		
118	It should be very good to have these services in the forest.		
119	Dursley Stroke Hospital - if you visit from FOD it can take 1 hour by car. To get there by public transport would take far longer, having to wait for buses, changing in Gloucester. Most older people give up driving by 80 years old if not before. So patients from FOD may not even get visitors at this worrying time. Buses: more buses needed just to the new hospital and covering rural areas.		
120	As said before - keep existing hospitals and do new build - the number of new houses being built have not been taken into consideration. Please see all comments made by HOLD.		
121	The current pandemic shows that only having one hospital is a disaster for the FoD		
122	[Redacted]. A new hospital with half as many beds is just an infringement on the care and the health of the entire Forest.		
123	I would like to know what is going to happen to the buildings of the Dilke and Lydney Hospital. Will they remain the property if the NHS? Will they continue to be used for Health care? I am concerned that NHS facilities are to be sold off, leaving the NHS short of beds and in future the NHS will be forced to rent beds in private hospitals, which seems to me to be a very bad way to safeguard and use publicly owned resources.		
124	I urge you to listen to people in the South Forest area. You have spent millions in the North at Cinderford and Coleford Surgeries already and stripped Lydney of everything the community has worked for. Did you mail NP16 area because we didn't receive one. I only heard about this from Friends.		
125	I was disgusted that the views of the local people around Lydney and in the South Forest were completely ignored in the previous consultation. At the bottom of this survey you say it will be "approved " is that another foregone conclusion- should it not read go for approval? The bad idea of a hospital in Cinderford is a waste of public money.		
126	We want Lydney Hospital. Its our right. Hands off!		
127	The new hospital is in the wrong place - it should be in the centre of the Forest.		
		answered	127
		skipped	68

What is the first part of your postcode? eg. GL16

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1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	195
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	24	NP16	
	25	GL15	
	26	Np16	
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39	GI15		
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41	GI15		
42	GL15		
43	Np16		
44	GI15		
45	GL15		
46	GL15		
47	GI15		
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60	GL15		
61	GL15		
62	GL15		
63	GL15		
64	GL15		
65	GI15		
66	GI15		
67	GL15		

What is the first part of your postcode? eg. GL16

		Response Percent	Response Total
68	GL15		
69	GI15		
70	GL15		
71	GI15		
72	GL15		
73	GL15		
74	GI15		
75	GL15		
76	GI15		
77	GI15		
78	GL15		
79	GI15		
80	GI15		
81	GL15		
82	GL15		
83	GL15		
84	GI15		
85	GI15		
86	GI15		
87	GI15		
88	GL15		
89	GI15		
90	GI15		
91	GI15		
92	GL15		
93	GI15		
94	GL15		
95	gl15		
96	GI15		
97	GL15		
98	GL15		
99	GI15		
100	GI15		
101	GL15		

What is the first part of your postcode? eg. GL16

		Response Percent	Response Total
102	GI15		
103	GL15		
104	GL15		
105	GL15		
106	GL15		
107	gl15		
108	NP16		
109	GL15		
110	GL15		
111	GL15		
112	GL15		
113	GI15		
114	GI15		
115	GL15		
116	GL15		
117	GI15		
118	GL15		
119	GL15		
120	GL15		
121	GI15		
122	GI15		
123	GL15		
124	GL15		
125	GL15		
126	GL15		
127	GL15		
128	GL15		
129	GL15		
130	GI15		
131	GL15		
132	GL15		
133	GL15		
134	GI15		
135	NP16		









What is the first part of your postcode? eg. GL16

		Response Percent	Response Total
136	GL15		
137	gl15		
138	GL15		
139	GI15		
140	GL15		
141	GI15		
142	GL15		
143	GL15		
144	GL15		
145	GL15		
146	GI15		
147	gl15		
148	GL15		
149	GL15		
150	GL15		
151	GL15		
152	GI15		
153	GL15		
154	GL15		
155	GL15		
156	NP16		
157	NP16		
158	GL15		
159	GL15		
160	GL15		
161	NP16		
162	GL15		
163	GL15		
164	GL15		
165	GL15		
166	GL15		
167	GL15		
168	GL15		
169	GI15		




What is the first part of your postcode? eg. GL16

		Response Percent	Response Total
170	GL15		
171	GL15		
172	GL15		
173	GL15		
174	GL15		
175	GL15		
176	GL15		
177	GL15		
178	NP16		
179	GL15		
180	GL15		
181	GL15		
182	GL15		
183	GL15		
184	GL15		
185	NP16		
186	GL15		
187	GL15		
188	GL15		
189	GL15		
190	NP16		
191	NP16		
192	GL15		
193	GL15		
194	GL15		
195	GL15		
		answered	195
		skipped	0







Which age group are you?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Under 18		0.00%	0
2	18-25		3.09%	6
3	26-35		11.86%	23
4	36-45		15.46%	30
5	46-55		16.49%	32
6	56-65		22.16%	43
7	66-75		20.62%	40
8	Over 75		9.79%	19
9	Prefer not to say		0.52%	1
			answered	194
			skipped	1




Are you:

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	A health or social care professional		8.79%	16
2	A community partner/member of the public		84.07%	153
3	Prefer not to say		7.14%	13
			answered	182
			skipped	13

Do you consider yourself to have a disability? (Tick all that apply)

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	No		67.19%	129
2	Mental health problem		6.25%	12
3	Visual Impairment		2.08%	4
4	Learning difficulties		1.04%	2
5	Hearing impairment		4.17%	8
6	Long term condition		17.71%	34




Do you consider yourself to have a disability? (Tick all that apply)

			Response Percent	Response Total
7	Physical disability		11.46%	22
8	Prefer not to say		2.60%	5
9	Other (please specify):		5.73%	11
			answered	192
			skipped	3





Other (please specify): (11)

1	Speech problem
2	My dad has Parkinson's and also has Nystagmus so can't drive
3	I care for some one disabled due to stroke
4	Auto immune disease
5	Spina Bifida
6	Main carer
7	Just old age!
8	Currently undergoing bone transport of my leg so access is important
9	Just getting older!
10	Claudication to L. leg / Sciatica / walking restriction
11	Lynch syndrome (HNPCC)




Do you look after, or give any help or support to family members, friends, neighbours or others because of either a long term physical or mental ill health need or problems related to old age? Please do not count anything you do as part of your paid employment.

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		47.40%	91
2	No		44.27%	85
3	Prefer not to say		8.33%	16
			answered	192
			skipped	3




Which best describes your ethnicity?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	White British		92.27%	179
2	White Other		1.03%	2
3	Asian or Asian British		0.00%	0
4	Black or Black British		0.00%	0
5	Chinese		0.00%	0
6	Mixed		0.00%	0
7	Prefer not to say		5.15%	10
8	Other (please specify):		1.55%	3
			answered	194
			skipped	1
Other (please specify): (3)				
1	White English			
2	White, with possible Irish.			
3	I find this question objectional and racist			



Which, if any, of the following best describes your religion or belief?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	No religion		29.84%	57
2	Buddhist		0.00%	0
3	Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Methodist and other denominations)		60.73%	116
4	Hindu		0.00%	0
5	Jewish		0.00%	0
6	Muslim		0.00%	0
7	Sikh		0.00%	0
8	Prefer not to say		9.42%	18
9	Other (please specify):		0.00%	0
			answered	191
			skipped	4
Other (please specify): (0)				
No answers found.				





Are you:

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Male		32.47%	63
2	Female		65.46%	127
3	Other		0.00%	0
4	Prefer not to say		2.06%	4
			answered	194
			skipped	1





Do you identify with your gender as registered at birth?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		95.79%	182
2	No		0.00%	0
3	Prefer not to say		4.21%	8
			answered	190
			skipped	5

Which of the following best describes how you think of yourself?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Heterosexual or straight		86.91%	166
2	Gay or lesbian		0.52%	1
3	Bisexual		1.57%	3
4	Other		0.00%	0
5	Prefer not to say		10.99%	21
			answered	191
			skipped	4

Are you currently pregnant or have given birth in the last year?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		3.66%	7
2	No		77.49%	148
3	Prefer not to say		2.09%	4
4	Not applicable		16.75%	32
			answered	191
			skipped	4