

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

Responses from those age 56 and over

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
Inpatient care:	21.8% (42)	24.9% (48)	18.1% (35)	32.6% (63)	2.6% (5)	193
Urgent care:	23.3% (45)	23.8% (46)	16.6% (32)	33.2% (64)	3.1% (6)	193
Diagnostic services:	26.4% (51)	31.1% (60)	13.5% (26)	24.9% (48)	4.1% (8)	193
Outpatient services:	27.5% (53)	27.5% (53)	15.5% (30)	26.9% (52)	2.6% (5)	193
					answered	194
					skipped	6

Please tell us why you think this, e.g. the information you would like us to consider (158)

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	I think that urgent care should be open longer than the proposed 8am to 8pm. Shutting urgent care at 8pm would only put more strain on Gloucester A&E. There should be a wider range of Diagnostic services locally as the older generation struggle to get to Cheltenham and Gloucester. The same with Outpatient services. It's extremely difficult for people to get to Cheltenham and Gloucester especially if they have no transport.
3	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!
4	All of the current services provided by Cinderford and Lydney hospitals should remain at the new hospital. In my experience unless you ask for your treatment/appointment in our local hospitals you are given an appointment either in Gloucester or Cheltenham.

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
5	<p>The amount of beds proposed should be doubled at least or this new hospital to be run in conjunction with the Dilke and Lydney as well. Scanners like MRI, CT, Ultrasound and x-ray would help relieve the pressure off Gloucester hospital plus small theatre for minor operations. We are building more houses, yet less hospital beds you say are needed. That doesn't add up. People are living longer, more help is needed from time to time. The elderly, infirm or even fit people have accidents, falls, operations etc whereby they may need rehabilitation before going home or assessed for care homes. They may live alone so cannot go home in some cases, as it's not safe to do so. Care homes are being closed, so less beds. The Dilke and Lydney hospitals are used mainly for rehabilitation. Often locals are sent to hospitals elsewhere like Stroud and Dursley because the beds have been used for people outside the area. They are sent wherever there's a spare bed. We know that! Gloucester hospital need to free up bed space for emergencies for most of Gloucestershire go there now, as other hospitals like Cheltenham A&E has been closed. Some people are not well enough to go home, still needing nursing care, but could be sent to the cottage hospitals like Lydney and Dilke, to help relieve the strain. The A&E in Gloucester especially at weekends often have people waiting on trolleys in corridors for hours because there's no beds. It's not rocket science to see the problems are going to get worse with more houses being built. Especially now people are getting COVID-19 and many people who get a bad dose could be having long term problems causing even more beds to be taken for weeks or even months and possibly even reoccurring problems. This is a wake up call for everyone. The NHS is a wonderful service. Doctors, nurses and all staff are being put under enormous strain because resources are being cut and not increased. No wonder they are leaving. No doubt this is part of the drive to privatise with funds coming in to build this hospital and lose more NHS buildings in so call saving money but in long term will cost the country more because it's an investment and they want returns on it. We do not want to be like America with a privatised system and lose the NHS. We see the bigger picture!!</p>						
6	Don't agree with your assumptions regarding capacity or accessibility from other parts of the FoD, such as Lydney						
7	All services in one hospital will provide a better health care service - more efficient use of resources and deployment of staff.						
8	Just look at the total number of beds in use in the 2 current hospitals, the total number of beds in the new hospital should at least equal the combined capacity of the 2 current hospitals. People are already coming to the Forest of Dean Hospitals from out of the area as the local hospitals in their area are now too small to accommodate them, as they have been replaced in recent years with smaller hospitals. I do not wish the see this repeated in the Forest of Dean. Simply off loading some people with end of life care and other conditions is not acceptable.						
9	<p>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.</p>						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
10	Having a brand new state of the art hospital facility right in the middle of the forest is a brilliant support for the forest of dean and I believe should be wholeheartedly supported by all. I can't get my head round those trying to stop it in favour of the outdated Dilke. I'm all for this exciting new facility.						
11	Not enough beds. All single rooms not a good idea, difficult to manage falls, dementia patients etc. No provision for maternity, labour and delivery which is a priority for foresters						
12	This will need remodelling if 5000 extra family homes are going to be built between A40 and A48 in the next 2 years. I dont think 24 beds will be enough.						
13	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.						
14	a fairly local facility is best						
15	Would save ambulance time and work and hopefully lives as takes long time to get to Gloucester and Cheltenham and ltd parking spaces						
16	Not enough brds. All.single rooms not a good idea, difficult to manage falls, dementia patients etc						
17	People in the south of the forest of Dean have a long travel time to Cinderford for urgent care: is there a MIU in Chepstow?						
18	Gloucester is too far away and waiting times too long						
19	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.						
20	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.						
21	All of these are vital services that you need to offer to those who live and work in the Forest of Dean, saving them from the need to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham except when absolutely necessary						
22	It is probably too expensive to provide and staff at present but perhaps space could be included for a CT scanner for the future. I and my wife had many CT scans over the previous years (as I'm sure alot of foresters have) and we always had to travel to Gloucester or even Cheltenham. Other than that I'm confident your data analysis is providing the correct level of services/facilities.						
23	In a perfect world the number of inpatient beds would be sufficient but the world isn't perfect and i don't feel the capacity is sufficient. Urgent care will not be available after a certain time and to me if you are going to give community service then it should be available at all times.						
24	As health and care services are joined up should outpatient mental health services in the forest be moved to the new hospital?						
25	Lydney needs it's own Hospital						
26	This new hospital will only serve the North of the Forest of Dean we in the South will be totally disadvantaged. We need a medical hub with a minor injury facility that we are lucky enough to have at the moment in either Lydney or Tutshill especially with all the new houses being built in both these areas.						
27	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.						
28	I live in Lydney						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
29	How can one smaller hospital, with less beds, further away be better than the two local ones we already have, we should have more facilities not less.						
30	already provided needs to continue						
31	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.						
32	They need a place in Lydney Cinderford is to far fir people to travel too if they have rely on public transport						
33	A new hospital providing these services will be excellent. I'm not worried about bed numbers as most care happens out of hospital and these beds will be for Forest people.						
34	Less facilities overall for a growing community makes no sense at all.						
35	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.						
36	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 ,						
37	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.						
38	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.						
39	You are taking away 2 hospitals despite the majority of the Forest wanting to keep them, you want to replace them with one hospital with less beds 24 which is a joke bearing in mind more people are coming to live in the forest, the one hospital to service the whole of the Forest is in Cinderford not easy to get to when you live In Lydney or beyond. This whole debacle is a disgrace, you have disregarded our views now you want to fob us off with a smaller unit than ever. You are putting more people at risk and whatever we say you will do what you have already decided regardless of what we say						
40	After working for GCC and seeing the amount of consultations I have not got a lot of faith in this plan for a new hospital. I think the consultations are a complete waste of tax payers monies and it is just a tick box exercise. When I worked for GCC the consultations were very poorly advertised to the public. I attended one consultation exercise held at Cinderford Rugby club. There were NO signs leading from the town to say there was a public consultation. I asked one of the ladies working on this consultation why were there NO SIGNS up to inform the public that this was happening and she said we were told they were not allowed??? There were more staff in there than public attendees. It was a disgrace. Leaflets should have been sent to every home in the forest not just placed in doctors surgeries, libraries, Foxes Bridge, etc. I still think the two other hospitals should be updated (what will happen to them??) I dread to think (investors for new homes no doubt). Never good to put all your eggs in one basket.						
41	Sabot enough facilities to care for all of the Forest.						
42	I agree thee should be these provisions at a new hospital but feel the demand has been underestimated. The population of the Forest is expanding with new houses being built particularly in the Lydney area. A larger number of beds and other services will be needed. A hospital twice this size should be built. Better still - keep Lydney open.						
43	AE department needed .						
44	This facility will not accommodate ever bodies needs !! Some people may get very rich out of these crazy proposals!! 😊😊						
45	Hard to get to from some parts of the Forest if you dont drive or have your own transport						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
46	Fewer number of inpatient beds, too far for some people to travel, lack of decent public transport						
47	We have 2 wonderful hospitals already all you need to do is update . Save our hospitals dont destroy more of our communities.						
48	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!						
49	Need more beds location of the proposed hospital is not going to be accessible to the majority of people						
50	It wont meet needs. You are reducing the availability of services. Lydney hosp should stay open						
51	Location						
52	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!						
53	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						
54	From Lydney it's 10 miles to Cinderford .						
55	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.						
56	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!						
57	we need our own local hospital and lydney is close to me						
58	Less beds, therefore less inpatient care than Lydney & Dilke combined ergo worse option.						
59	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						
60	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						
61	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						
62	I am still not convinced that there will be enough inpatient beds to cater for a rapidly expanding population.						
63	Attending Gloucester/Cheltenham hospital for services is difficult due to travel time (traffic can be very heavy) and hospital parking can mean walk back to unit..						
64	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.						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
65	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.						
66	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!!						
67	i think the forest needs 2 hospitals						
68	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.						
69	Without al local service the nearest hospital is Gloucester.						
70	Population of south FOD is expanding and not being catered for.						
71	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.						
72	The population is growing and we need this unit locally						
73	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						
74	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.						
75	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!						
76	The analysis undertaken seems to meet the population needs of people living in the area						
77	Really important that there are a range of services to prevent having to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham						
78	Perfect location and balance of services provided. Travelling to the GRH can take well over an hour at peak travel tims.						
79	Taking into consideration the distance to hospitals outside of FOD urgent care should be made available 24/7.						
80	The population of the 'Forest' is a rapidly growing with the current housing developments and with the future development proposals, this trend will continue for the foreseeable future therefore any new hospital must have at a very minimum the same number of beds as the current total at Dilke and Lydney combined and offer all the outpatient facilities that were available, because many outpatient clinics have now been moved to Gloucester and Cheltenham and with a continually diminishing public transport system in the Forest, this makes getting to these two hospitals difficult and near impossible for the elderly without some form of assistance. If the new hospital cannot meet this requirement, then the Dilke and/or Lydney have to remain open.						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
81	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.						
82	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.						
83	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.						
84	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.						
85	With hours being 8 am to 8 pm it means for urgent care (A&E) you will have to go to Glos which can cause delay to treatment.						
86	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						
87	I think this service could be expanded to include more partner eg dermatology This would prevent patients travelling to Gloucester and Cheltenham						
88	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						
89	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.						
90	More beds needed.						
91	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 le Money and staff						
92	Modelling based on FoD residents when we know that admissions and particularly discharges from GHT and elsewhere are residents from across the county, so this should be factored in What is the optimum ward size to achieve the best efficiency with staffing models? Very strongly agree with taking the learning from Covid - need more and more telephone, video, on-line, face time etc consultations for ALL professional groups - do not revert to face to face in clinics and waste patients and hospital time, resources and impact on environment						
93	I think due consideration has been given to the needs of the community and the services offered						
94	The logistics of travelling to Cinderford from the south of the county are difficult at any time but especially in winter.						
95	Definite need of a hospital in the Forest if Dean						
96	Emergency care is important. Journey times to casualty units in Gloucester and Bristol can be extended by traffic, which will only get worse with proposed housing development in the Forest						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
97	Cinderford is highest point in the forest and often cut off in winter by snow we have to travel to Gloucester now for urgent care we need more local hospitals not huge megaliths and token small units						
98	It sounds ideal provided that we can access it.						
99	<p>Your calculations for in-patient beds are seriously under-estimating the future demand. The ONS predict that Glos CCG will have not just an increased population, but one that has 25% of its population over 65. You also say that Gloucester and Cheltenham will have other community beds provided. Where?? You'll buy them? Who from? Back door privatisation?</p> <p>Are there enough staff on the Rapid Response teams to cope with increased demand for their services? They're stretched as it is!</p> <p>Will 150 parking spaces really be enough? How many staff will need spaces? 48 visitors for the 24 inpatient beds, visitors to MIU, people attending outpatient, chemo and breast screening sessions. And then you describe flexible space, which will also be used. Even more vehicles requiring a parking space.</p> <p>You are not allowing for any flexibility in demand or growth in population. You're not backing up your plans for losing beds and putting the workload out to the community with any evidence of intent to fully staff and fund these services.</p> <p>Although you have stated that you are in consultation with a "partner" for transport to the new hospital, there needs to be more information about frequency of services etc. You might end up with only one bus a day from Lydney!</p>						
100	<p>24 bed??</p> <p>Only if increased funding + + + + to Community Care Teams.</p> <p>Single en suite rooms probably best.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>X Ray - 8-8pm ok.</p> <p>Primary, Secondary Care and GPs ALL to have swift access to X Ray results via comparable, linked computer systems.</p> <p>Ortho and Neuro and Respiratory O/P appointments would be REALLY useful if the hospital was to have an effective REHAB role.</p>						
101	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>						
102	The consultation states that currently there are about 30 beds on the 2 sites. With a growing population in the Forest, even with more home based care, I feel that 24 beds may not be sufficient to cover future needs.						
103	The proposal sound wonderful - I feel the tone of the report concentrates on emptying inpatient beds. I am surprised they are included at all!						
104	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.						
105	<p>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?</p> <p>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.</p>						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
106	I would like you to consider a place where I go for to have my ulcer done. A very very many people go there with this wrong and they cannot afford to go half way to Swindon, Cheltenham or any other place. Because the one department at Lydney is vital for us and all the people that go there to which is very many people so it about time you thought of them as well. Because Lydney hospital will shut in 3 years time. Then where will I go with these ulcers, which are very painful. The nurses at Lydney do a great job and they are good at what they do						
107	I have spent a long time in hospital with 3 major operations in 31/4 years. On one occasion, on my last night, my bed was needed and I was transferred to a private room with ensuite for my last night. This upset caused me to have severe bowel disorder and most of the night was spent in and out of my ensuite. No one came to investigate why my lights were on constantly even though I was inches from the nurses station. In a ward you bond with the other patients give each other support and a shoulder to cry on. You also raise the alarm if required for each other. Covid will not last forever, company is more important. Urgent care needs to be 24/7						
108	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						
109	Because of my circumstances						
110	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						
111	Inpatient care - Drastic reduction of beds from 47- 24 Urgent care - 8am - 10pm would be realistic						
112	Inpatient care does not provide enough beds. The reason for local people not occupying beds in Dilke or Lydney is because when they leave Gloucester or Cheltenham hospitals there are no beds available. Forest people are sent to Stroud, Tewkesbury etc meanwhile people from as far away as Bourton on the water are sent to the Dilke. At present there is no thought given to locality when discharge occurs						
113	For many in the Forest, the option of getting to either Gloucester or Cheltenham is just not feasible.						
114	Concerned at the lack of emergency cover in the forest between 8.00 pm and 8.00 am						
115	There will not be enough beds in the proposed plans to meet the requirements of the people of the Forest Of Dean						
116	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.						
117	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.						
118	No personal experience of these services at existing hospitals or in the community						
119	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.						
120	As already expressed, the siting of the hospital in Cinderford will cause difficulties for some people in the south of the Forest.						

We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
121	All of the above are required and deserved for The population of The Forest of Dean - a Maternity unit would be amazing for future generations.						
122	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						
123	The decision has already been made to site the new hospital in Cinderford only time will tell if it benefits local people. My main concern is that there is no specific mention of the population that lives on the border. Most of these have Welsh GPs but choose to be treated in English hospitals. At present there is a reluctance to accept 'border' patients. As an example my wife broke her arm earlier this year and was refused emergency treatment at Lydney. There she could have had an early x-ray and treatment. As it was she had to wait two weeks before she had a diagnosis.						
124	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.						
125	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.						
126	It seems that services are becoming fragmented risking referrals to other centers. I have experienced examples when data is passed on. The Great Oaks Hospice was originally a charity (I donated my retirement collection to it) but will the proposed duties be NHS funded? Of course if referrals occur this complicates patients attendance.						
127	Please consider Dermatology outpatient service.						
128	More urgent care due to: - distance of other inpatient services and road network - the more beds available, the more will be used locally						
129	1. A drop in the number of beds from 47 to 24 does not seem feasible. 2. Is the proposed new hospital going to be 'nurse led' with no consultant input? 3. What is the plan for the two existing hospitals? 4. £11 million does not seem enough to build a new hospital.						
130	Success of all services is dependent on staffing levels, competence and efficient exchange of information. A friend with a rare condition is still waiting (months after tests or has had a diagnosis) for results. Her doctor who referred her has not received information. Consultants in Birmingham require her to travel there for tests, yet this is URGENT. Ambulance staff would only recommend paracetamol (with a perforated appendix) until her doctor told them that hospital was necessary and it was removed (earlier in the year) after months of waiting.						
131	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.						
132	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.						
133	With the increased housing around Lydney, a small Cinderford location is going to be both too small and problematic to access for many.						
134	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						






We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:






		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
135	My main concern is that although single rooms are wonderful they are isolating and wake observation difficult. Suggestion of removable walls between a number of rooms which would allow flexibility regarding patient needs. Single rooms mean you'll need more staff. I do think a balance between privacy and social contact is important.						
136	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.						
137	<p>Inpatient care: 24 beds doesn't seem enough especially in the increasing and aging population. Urgent care: seems adequate Diagnostic: seems adequate</p> <p>Outpatients: we need as many outpatient clinics as possible because getting to Gloucester/Cheltenham by car is bad enough, (time, traffic, parking) but without a car i.e by bus can mean several buses and a whole day taken. I question the statement on page 21 about the range of outpatient clinics provided by Gloucester hospital. Recently I have had to visit orthopaedics several times for follow up consultations and also orthotics. I was told neither of these clinics were available at the Dilke or Lydney. I was only able just to collect the orthotics from the reception desk at the Dilke. What about podiatry?</p>						
138	<p>Some Inpatient care could possibly be provided at home if the suggested care services are able to be implemented - bear in mind travelling and navigating in the Forest is not easy at times especially in Winter and with ongoing road closures. Unless the model of care delivery is radically changed then there will be insufficient beds. See further remarks on MIU, Diagnostics and Out Patients. A single unit for inpatients is possible but with the growth in housing and population in the South Forest those services need to be duplicated. Hospital is for the Future and South Forest is expanding towards 30,000 people</p>						
139	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>						
140	Are there really enough beds to accommodate inpatients at all times?						
141	A state of the art hospital should be built at Five Acres in the Forest of Dean with maternity and major operation facilities. My wife who is disabled and 84 years of age has to travel to Gloucester and Cheltenham 4 or 5 times a year for 4 years as he journey is horrendous and expensive as I have to pay for transport because hospital transport fails badly as Mark Harper MP will verify and anyone else who has had to suffer it.						
142	Having read the information I feel it covers the services we require in the Forest. I would like to more OP clinics locally						
143	More information needed to answer these questions. Inpatient care will be impacted by shortage of beds.						
144	Completely support all of the above. As a retired mental health nurse I would suggest consideration to an onsite social worker. This assists with speed of providing care packages and a greater working relationship between depts. Prescribing practitioners?						
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						






We think that the range of services proposed in this Consultation will meet the needs of local people. Please tell us whether you agree with this statement, for each of the following:






		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion	Response Total
150	Born and bred Forester with a disabled wife as far as we are concerned the closer to home our medical services are the better, closing our 2 hospitals and building a smaller single one is not the way to go.						
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	Travel time to hospital for older patients who may not have the means of travel, eg cars because of age and health conditions.						
154	We are 20 miles from GRH! Local travel extra miles. Reduced pollution, car parking costly/space. Free parking/space Ambulances :- save time, cost etc						
155	Having read through the book, apart from the message below believe we have been covered well						
156	<p>Yes I believe the FoD deserves a decent hospital.I am Mr Mark Thornton who had a near fatal RTC in Nov 82 Friday 13th to be exact where suffered multiple fractures in RS femure and in a coma for along time.?</p> <p>Couldn't speak, walk and loads of other health issues. I found it difficult to get to Gloucester hospital for treatment. I was a pioneer for a new treatment from the Burden Int Bristol via telephone giving me therapy over the phone onto a modem over a modem.</p>						
157	Community based care has been good but astronomically insufficient and must be increased. population is increasing and will increase even more rapidly as a report of the government. Also current areas have seen younger people moving to other parts of the county for employment opportunities. People are being sent home from Gloucester hospital as to few beds and if the new hospital has fewer beds the situation will become worse. I have had experience of this.						
158	If or when someone is referred to the unit will staff be experienced and fully trained enough to make accurate decisions.						

Matrix Charts

1.1. Inpatient care:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		21.8%	42
2	Agree		24.9%	48
3	Disagree		18.1%	35
4	Strongly disagree		32.6%	63
5	No opinion		2.6%	5
			answered	193

1.2. Urgent care:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		23.3%	45
2	Agree		23.8%	46
3	Disagree		16.6%	32
4	Strongly disagree		33.2%	64
5	No opinion		3.1%	6
			answered	193

1.3. Diagnostic services:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		26.4%	51
2	Agree		31.1%	60
3	Disagree		13.5%	26
4	Strongly disagree		24.9%	48
5	No opinion		4.1%	8
			answered	193

1.4. Outpatient services:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		27.5%	53
2	Agree		27.5%	53
3	Disagree		15.5%	30
4	Strongly disagree		26.9%	52
5	No opinion		2.6%	5
			answered	193

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%	166
1	On the negative side this hospital will be useless unless there are plenty of inpatient beds.		
2	I think that having a new hospital with more facilities would be more beneficial for myself and my parents as it would reduce the amount of time it would take to get to the local hospital rather than have the stress of having to get to Gloucester or Cheltenham.		
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	I actively support this initiative to build a new hospital. The 3 new hospitals we have in the county located in Dursley, Stow and Tewkesbury are excellent. They are fit for purpose and must also be better for the staff that work in them. Cinderford is central to most of the Forest so visiting and attending outpatients appointments should be easier than going to GRH or CGH. Lastly a key part of the success of this hospital will be the staff. The current staff at both local hospitals are great, friendly and welcoming. Hopefully it will be the same in the new hospital.		
6	At present on the rare occasion I or my family have needed to see a consultant or required ultrasound or X-ray, it has mainly be done at the Dilke. Appointments made quickly. It's easy to get to with parking. Seen quickly on arrival. It is clean and I felt safe even with this covid pandemic going on. I cannot fault the NHS at all. It has been ruled this new hospital will be going ahead. I hope this service will continue with even more facilities.		
7	Reduced availability of beds, staff and resources in the Forest, leading to longer delays both logistically and internally at GRH.		
8	The only possible impact could be a slightly longer journey to reach a hospital in Cinderford rather than Lydney - but the difference is marginal.		
9	Negative as I believe that the proposed new hospital will not have sufficient capacity for the number of patients today, and if the local population increases which it could easily do with the new developments starting and predicted in the area. When our generation and future generations require treatments, the capacity will not be there.		
10	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!		
11	Better up to date purpose built NHS facility centre for the forest.		
12	The biggest worry is accessibility for people from isolated areas and far distance is south forest (tidenham) lydney areas.		
13	I think it is positive that travel to Gloucester will not be required for some treatments		
14	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.		
15	I suppose that the new facility would be a center of excellance, but for us it would mean a journey through the 2forest2		
16	Positive for families that can't drive. Gloucester and Cheltenham difficult to get buses to.visiting as well. Save me having to take many family members for appointments and gridlocked to get there.		
17	positive ot not have to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham for some investigations and for outpatients clinics.		
18	It would be so easy to get to the new Hospital		
19	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.		

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
20	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.		
21	I would prefer to have these services available locally		
22	None		
23	As an organisation which supports older people within the Forest, I feel that, our historical culture makes us a unique community and towards end of life many wish to be within their lovely forest and although the wish to be at home for end of life care is a desire, in reality it is often a battle to obtain that from an emergency bed in GRH. Home care providers take time to organise where as a hospital bed is instant provided that it is available and with so few beds that is an issue. I do feel that the new hospital will be an asset to the Forest provided the services match the beautiful new building.		
24	It would be so much better to have services based in the forest rather than having to travel to Gloucester, Cheltenham or Tewkesbury.		
25	You are proposing a worst service for an increased number of customers		
26	We will have no access to a minor injury facility, we live on the border, it is nearly 20 miles to Cinderford, 20 miles to Newport, in fact the closest hospital for us will be Bristol!! We think we need a medical centre of the South of the Forest.		
27	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.		
28	I have to travel to cinderford		
29	If my husband had to go into the Lydney hospital, I could visit him, as I could walk there, but if he had to go into one in Cinderford, it would be difficult , as the bus service around here is almost non existent.		
30	i think accesability will be an issue		
31	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.		
32	I think the hospital would be good but also Lydney should be provided with a local small unit for local people		
33	Positive. We currently use Dilke which has seriously had its day!		
34	An A and E department is required at the very least. A growing population in Lydney along with outlying villages should warrant more facilities not less.		
35	Age is a major concern me and my family.		
36	Lydney nearest minor injuries the next nearest one is the Gwent		
37	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..		
38	I am concerned about access to Urgent Care and diagnostic facilities in particular		
39	I will in all probability go straight to Gloucester instead of waiting around in an already overcrowded new hospital		
40	I feel that it is all being done too quick and you ask for our opinions but you have already made your minds up. You are in the process of now building the hospital so why are you asking us what we want in it. ENOUGH BEDS would be a start. Going from 48 beds (Dilke & Gloucester combined) down to maybe 24 is farcical and indeed very worrying. Also some of the new hospitals that have been built elsewhere have experienced structure problems and lift problems...Tewkesbury being one of them. You say more people are being cared for at home and other services are in the community to care for them. There is not always the care available and has been in decline for a number of years due to low wages, staff levels etc.		
41	Travel o Cinderford, at any time would not be quick but definitely not in an emergency.		

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
42	Travelling to Cinderford rather than Gloucester or Cheltenham is a bonus but only if you can travel by car. The bus service is dreadful. ie. Coleford to Gloucester should take 40 minutes yet on the bus its 90 minutes. Even Coleford to Cinderford takes twice as long as it should by bus.		
43	It will be great for my wife and myself because we are in our late 60 s ,		
44	Clearly will not be adequate!!		
45	We live in Cinderford so not as affected as those who live further away		
46	You have not replaced the total beds that are available in this area. This means that patients and visitors will have to travel to another Hospital in Gloucestershire.		
47	We dont need a new hospital my family have used lydney for years and had wonderful service.		
48	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.		
49	The new hospital is not going to have enough in patient beds to meet the needs of the growing communities in the area		
50	Impact on travel to obtain first aid care		
51	A 25 minute drive to AE could be life or death. Lack of bed provision for the large catchment area.		
52	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		
53	Response time is key and I feel that moving facilities from Lydney to Cinderford will increase this		
54	Further away fo treatment and visiting. There will be less beds so patients pushed even further away. Gloucester. You'll be a number not a name.		
55	LIVES WILL BE LOST AS THE IMPACT OF A PROVISSION THAT IS NOT BIG ENOUGH FOR THE GROWING POPULATION, AND ACCESS FOR THE PLD AND VUNRABLE		
56	Very concerned how I would get to cinderford		
57	Less beds, more waiting times,		
58	further to travel when a possible emergency		
59	Less beds for the communities		
60	Travelling miles to obtain health care services instead of a two minute journey		
61	Reduced bed capacity in an area of massive expansion. Increased travel time in some cases. Less facilities		
62	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		
63	My husband and I are both pensioners and worry if we needed medical help its a long way to Gloucester hospital		
64	The forest deserves a new, purpose built facility. However, the Lydney area will lose a well loved facility and many will find transport to Cinderford difficult - especially the elderly.		
65	Positive as hospital local to where we live.		
66	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.		

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
67	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.		
68	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.		
69	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.		
70	This new hospital is only as good as the services it offers. Lydney and the Dilke are very good at what they offer.		
71	Poor transportation to Cinderford from my area could lead to difficulties getting to Cinderford centre for appointments.		
72	It can only be positive due to 1) giving quality care to the FOD & 2) alleviating the workload on Gloucester & Cheltenham hospitals		
73	Have to travel further for emergency care, we need this unit to be local		
74	A good a&e with all necessary equipment instead of being sent to Gloucester		
75	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.		
76	Lack of fair and proper access.		
77	I've only occasionally used either existing hospital in the twenty years I've lived here. Having all services under one roof and expanding to a seven day a week service I think is positive and can only be in the best interests of the local population		
78	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.		
79	Only positive as it will be much more modern than current provision		
80	Positive with local appointments, as difficult to travel to GRH very busy roads with congestion.		
81	None, all very positive.		
82	Having a 21st century facility can only be good for the area		
83	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		
84	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.		
85	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.		

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
86	I have had experience over the last eight or so years trying to get to both GRH & Cheltenham Hospital from the Forest for appointments and it is a nightmare even when using private transport. Such problems have never been experienced in getting to Lydney and the Dilke. Mentioning just one proposed housing development in the A48/A40 without required infrastructure will further lengthen any trip to Gloucester or Cheltenham by Ambulance, Public or Private transport, hence the need to keep a wide range of services in the Forest.		
87	Now 68 so my needs may increase so bed capacity is of concern		
88	Potential for having to be sent elsewhere in the county of inpatient long term care is required due to reduction of bed numbers.		
89	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. Provision of outpatient services with parking will be a lot easier when taking people , especially elderly relatives, to appointments.		
90	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		
91	broadly will remain the same as at present		
92	There has been a case of family having to go to Glos as there was no GP available at the Dilke - and ended up going via personal transport as the ambulance took too long to get to the Dilke.		
93	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		
94	No positive at all, see above comments for negative impact!		
95	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.		
96	Losing hospital facilities in Lydney		
97	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		
98	Generally very positive as long as transport links are sorted out and there is a real commitment to reducing hospital visits with community and home care and using technology for consultations communications and interactions - but please also remember not everyone has a computer, tablet or smartphone Really like side room facilities and shared spaces with community groups What else will there be in terms of services set up across the Forest - such as in Lydney - optometry, podiatry, dentistry, physio etc Fantastic volunteer resources in the FoD - not really mentioned here as a truly valuable resource to be tapped into		
99	We have some concern about the distance from Lydney to the nearest emergency unit at Cinderford.		
100	Positive - we will have a healthcare unit fit for purpose		
101	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!		
102	I think if any of my family have an emergency then ED at GRH is easily reachable and has the necessary staff to deal with any problem		
103	No need to travel miles to attend hospital		

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
104	The changes rely heavily on improving home care. The case is not made in this proposal		
105	At the moment I have a minor injury unit five minutes away and a hospital to convalesce in if needs be five minutes away the proposal is to replace two large local hospitals with one small one		
106	Cinderford is only accessible to us by car. Having access to better, more up-to-date services has to be a good thing.		
107	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?		
108	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.		
109	There needs to be provision in the Lydney area for minor injuries, otherwise the Cinderford site could be overwhelmed.		
110	Successful care depends on good communication & prompt action by all agencies. Experience proves that the patient & carer are often left struggling because of delays.		
111	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.		
112	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.		
113	A single upto date facility that caters for most of our needs without going to Gloucester or Wales.		
114	I will agree with the proposals but please think of Ulcer clinic if you shut this place. you will have a negative impact on me and many many more people		
115	you are assuming that local transport will be sufficient. As we have seen with our new Drs surgery in Cinderford, despite assurances that everything will be ok, there is a bus service every 2 hours. In the winter because the bus also services Speech House hill, this service is first to fail. The bus service from Lydney to Cinderford is the same. you have to live in the forest to understand. My sons lives in parkend and Mitcheldean - both have major health issues. At the moment they are luckily enough to drive but both are middle aged and will not be able to forever. Stagecoach buses do not serve the forest area - buses are always breaking down and no one cares. Very few taxis available and dial a ride is exorbitant prices, there needs to be a half hourly mini bus service from the town centre which is 1/2 mile away		
116	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		
117	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 unbelievable 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		
118	Not enough inpatient beds will mean myself or any loved ones will be far away from family and friends and our own environment Lack of night time urgent care facility means that all forest people have to travel to Gloucester and also add to the congestion in Gloucester A&E		
119	Marvellous to have this facility just down the road. However, it must be a worry to people in Lydney, losing their access to care, especially given the huge number of new houses being constructed there.		

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
120	People in the Lydney to Tutshill area may have difficulty with transport issues especially for Urgent Care.		
121	Having emergency cover in Cinderford would be preferable as the travelling times to Gloucester/ Cheltenham are significantly longer.		
122	As we are getting older we will not be able to get to thye New Proposed hospital especially in winter months		
123	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.		
124	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.		
125	Working with travel partners is encouraging to allow public transport access to the new site, particularly as it sits outside of Cinderford town centre. Government commitments to a carbon neutral future should lead to lesser reliance on private transport and effective public systems in rural areas need to be put in place. It is encouraging that car parking is included and I would hope this includes adequate parking for staff as well as visitors. Does the parking account for the number of people expected on site at any time or will there be occasions when cars may be parked on neighbouring property or streets?		
126	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.		
127	I live in Ross, so the hospital will be nearer for me.		
128	Positive, badly needed.		
129	As an old age pensioner on my own it can only be negative		
130	Ease of access will be an issue.		
131	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.		
132	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.		
133	Personal experience is that single bedrooms risk mental issues resulting in attendance alarms being triggered more. If alarms are not responded to this causes stress to everyone. Again communications are vital. Patients need to know what has happened, what can be expected, what the patient can do and especially followup after discharge.		
134	I think that building a bright new hospital for the Forest can only have a positive impact.		
135	No mention of local inpatient services for mentally ill or learning disabled people.		
136	I am concerned that direct contact with a doctor is lessening. Older people cannot cope with internet communication, and it is worrying to know that with problems you are confused, even with talking. Your voice becomes weaker and hesitant, and living alone you do not have regular conversations.		
137	Negative as we will have to travel 10 miles to the hospital. There will NOT be enough inpatient beds to support the population.		
138	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		

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
139	Living in Lydney, this would seem to be completely negative in terms of capability, capability and access.		
140	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		
141	Provided there are sufficient community services this looks good. Recently I helped as a neighbour in the end of life care for the husband of a neighbour. She is in her 80's had never seen someone die and was terrified. We could not get sufficient community support and had a week of provided almost 24hr care for this man and wife.		
142	Mostly as above, really urgent care will probably involve a call to a GP, then an ambulance to an A&E or similar.		
143	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		
144	There being a continuing hospital facility in the Forest of Dean is a massive positive for all living in this area. The more we are able to visit our local hospital, the better - in terms of convenience, time, accessibility.		
145	The loss of any services currently provided by Lydney hospital will impact the equal access for all to the NHS. GP surgery availability and facilities are a joke and completely inadequate to replace those services provided from Lydney hospital. Cinderford is inaccessible at times and outside of the control of the NHS - promises of new public transport will be short-lived.		
146	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.		
147	No real impact either way at this time		
148	I am coming to the end of my life, I am over 90 years of age but I am concerned for future generations in the Forest of Dean where there will no maternity facilities or beds or importantly major hospital treatment available in the Forest of Dean. Many of us now would contribute to a new hospital at Five Acres, including would think Monmouthshire County Council because Neville Hall is closing and they would have to go to Cumbran and they already use the Forest of Dean crematorium instead of Croesyceiliog as it is far away.		
149	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.		
150	All positive as far as I can see and how it will affect my family. As mentioned - transport links are vital. I hope a new hospital will be fit for purpose but also encourage recruitment for new staff along with their experience.		
151	It should be positive, until these services are in place then we can judge.		
152	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.		
153	Less use of cars taxi etc going to Gloucester and Cheltenham		
154	Too far from Lydney		
155	No thought has gone into providing cottage hospitals to all members of the community.		
156	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.		
157	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		

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
158	We think all of your proposals will not be to the advantage of our family or any other family to have to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham for treatment when our 2 local hospitals could do them in our forest way.		
159	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.		
160	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.		
161	Ease of access to people in FOD		
162	Positive: Local, excellent, convenient care from medical/nursing staff as we now have for our family and friends! Negative: NIL		
163	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.		
164	I have completed all my therapy etc now but it would help anyone else in the same situation as me? I am so pleased to see FoD starting to be treated on the same par as elsewhere? GOOD FOR U AND US?		
165	I am fully in favour of having a new hospital but it is essential tthat you can get the formula right first time, this is why I believe that bed care and seven day rehabilitation support should be adequate, as previous experience have proved that this is demonstrability not the case! The people for the new hospital have 7 days per week emergency care must without a doubt be a reality not a unfulfilled promise. The scheme must be linked to rapid access to primary care, Currently and recently one can on occasions wait two weeks for a doctor appointment.		
166	In the past I have experienced the delay of treatment of a broken ankle due to the x-rays have been mislaid. On a different occasion my husband was wrongly diagnosed as having migraine when it was in fact a stroke		
		answered	166
		skipped	34

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%	137
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.		

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
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	I can only think of the positives.		
5	My concern is that should hospital stay be required at any time that there will not be enough beds to cope with demand causing even more stress and anxiety on an already stressful situation		
6	Don't close two hospitals and replace them with a smaller hospital!		
7	The total capacity of the new hospital should be no less than the sum of the two current hospitals. The facilities and range of treatments and care available should be have at least equal the combined capacity of two current hospitals.		
8	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		
9	No negatives envisaged		
10	Concerned about emergency care as ambulances will still need to travel from gloucester or worcester to deal with 999 calls. This could be the difference between life and death. Can a 7 x 24 ambulance waiting area be provided so ambulances are already in the Forest and can be dispatched quicker?		
11	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.		
12	not really at the moment we are fairly active and well seniors and mobile		
13	Only problem is transport - we have a car but many people in the forest rely on public transport, which would need to be re-routed to the new site.		
14	none		
15	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.		
16	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.		
17	N/A		
18	More end of life beds		
19	Infrequent bus services from the borders eg. HR postcodes who access Gloucestershire services		
20	Leave us with a hospital in Lydney		
21	By building a health facility for minor injuries in the South of the Forest. We use Lydney hospital Minor injuries unit and want to go on doing so. The roads for us to Cinderford are certainly not the best and a long way to travel especially at night.		
22	Really consider the south of the Forest.		
23	We will lose all Lydney s amenities		
24	As we are all going through so much at the moment due to Covid 19, we are so lucky to have two hospitals in the forest, one is being used for Covid patients, the other for everything else, if we only had one smaller hospital, it couldn't cope.		

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
25	you cannot limit it as speaking from a lydney point of view it will be easier to go to glouster		
26	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.		
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	There should be an urgent care centre in the south of the Forest to provide diagnostics such as xrays and minor injuries		
30	ALL your proposals have a detrimental effect on all the people of the forest		
31	Only time will tell. As mentioned above I am concerned about the care provided in your own home after leaving hospital. I did home care for 5 years and then worked in a day care centre for 11 years and I saw many cuts along the way and saw service users in tears and frightened as they had there care and monies cut. Unfortunately care workers are not well paid so they are very transient and look for work elsewhere for decent pay and better working conditions and decent hours. Having seen these things first hand you can understand my concerns regards the new hospital. For me it is central and easy to get to if needed but as for the surrounding district not so easy especially concerning transport etc		
32	Keep Lydney hospital open!!		
33	☹️☹️		
34	One centralised hospital isn't enough for this area		
35	Give us the correct number of beds. People travelling from Lydney and the surrounding area by bus will have to change. The bus routes are not timed for this and stagecoach will not understand the concept.		
36	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.		
37	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..		
38	Choose a different site increase bed numbers		
39	by keeping Lydney hosp open!!!		
40	Build two hospitals		
41	Retain minor injury, xray and particularly Geriatric care in Lydney		
42	Keep the hospitals as they are and use the available money to upgrade what we have		
43	Keep it as it is		
44	KEEP BOTH HOSPITAL FOR FAIR ACCESS TO ALL		
45	Keep Lydney Hospital open		
46	Spend the money on the dilke hospital and update what we have already.		
47	keep existing hospitals and update them		
48	At least the equivalent number of inpatient beds as Lydney & Dilke combined for the status quo, .. if you actually want to improve the existing service incease beds by at least 25%		
49	Dont build the unneeded building		
50	Have all three hospital s		
51	Bigger health centre and retain Lydney hospital		

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
52	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		
53	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.		
54	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.		
55	save Lydney Hospital please		
56	There must be some facilities in Lydney. This town is expanding rapidly.		
57	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.		
58	Put a facility at Lydney as well.		
59	None - there can be no negatives assuming it is of adequate size.		
60	Dont close local units		
61	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 MIU, Physiotherapy, Diagnostics, Outpatients etc. should be provided at this health-hub.		
62	By providing what is required..three or at least two hospitals so that fair access can be realised.		
63	I cannot think of any negative impact when services are being improved		
64	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.		
65	Less beds available than we currently have could make a difference		
66	None		
67	None		
68	With bus services across the forest under major economic pressure, having public transport links will be essential for just one hospital to cater for the whole forest		
69	Yes travelling a much longer distance for my care needs		
70	I think that a lot of people will miss out on treatment because they can't get to Cinderford.		
71	If the hospital does not match the size and services that were available then it is obvious it will be a staging post t move patients onto appointments at GRH & Cheltenham and I have already detailed why this is not an option.		
72	As above		
73	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.		
74	? Have some urgent care available at Gp surgeries?		
75	Move the hospital to the middle of the FOD - either Coleford or Lydney.		
76	As I don't drive to Glos, feel the addition of MRI would be a positive. With the bus service to Glos you end up with it taking so long to travel to Glos and back.		
77	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		

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
78	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.		
79	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.		
80	Lydney needs improved health provision. The town is increasing in size. Health provision here isn't.		
81	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		
82	Ensure not assume transport links - public and volunteer - are sorted out in time for opening. Have secure facilities on site for trikes, bikes and other non-car means of transport - encourage use of alternatives to cars when hospital attendance needed Design - good bout dementia but be clear hospital will meet needs of others such as restricted mobility, limited/no sight, hard of hearing etc What else is being done in addition to engaging wide volunteer network in FoD - what more can be done to educate and support local people to care for themselves and avoid and reduce reliance on services. What else can be done and what learning is there from other parts of the country and across the world where patients, their families and lay people are able to give treatment and care in their own home - be brave and ask patients and their families - use improvement methodology to try some new and different ways of working		
83	Is it possible to have some small unit at Lydney to serve this side of the Forest?		
84	No		
85	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!)		
86	Open Hospital with wards in Forest of Dean		
87	See above		
88	Closing local units centralising on large hospitals		
89	Please ensure that the ambulance bays are actually big enough for ambulances- unlike other community hospitals		
90	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.		
91	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.		
92	To ensure that the community care works there MUST be prompt and full communication between different professionals - we have experienced occasions in the past where this has not happened leading to delays and repetitions.		
93	If support services liaison and community care is not as efficient as would be hoped. Carers and patients anxiety and stress increased. All homes are not suitable for home care. Alterations/improvements take time - who pays for residential/nursing home care in the interim?		
94	Good communication		
95	By providing a new centre in Lydney for Urgent care and community services.		
96	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?		

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
97	<p>Only time will tell if this facility will be fit for purpose by which time it will be too late. you are going to spend millions on a building which you state people will not be staying in for more than a very short time and will be either sent home to cope or forced into a care home - the last thing any of us wants. This being the case - why are you bothering to do it at all? The present system 2 hospitals both well loved and equally accessible - it works.</p> <p>The new hospital has no plans for maternity - unbelievable. There may be not much need for it at present but Cinderford had had an influx of literally hundreds of immigrants - all young and all of child bearing age. Your midwives will be overwhelmed</p>		
98	Distance / access / travel services to Cinderford far to far or non existent!		
99	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		
100	<p>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</p> <p>A health hub in Lydney is an absolute necessity</p>		
101	<p>Provide more inpatient beds</p> <p>Provide 24 hour minor injury unit in Cinderford and a daytime minor injuries unit in Lydney</p>		
102	You certainly need more beds, and maternity provision, people from outside the immediate area will inevitably use the facilities in emergencies, they are not outsiders but people in need.		
103	Create an urgent care Centre in Lydney.		
104	You should provide a FREE transport service to enable the elderly get to this proposed hospital		
105	<p>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.</p> <p>For industry also, Minor injuries has always been very important here.</p>		
106	RETHINK THE WHOLE THING. MORE BEDS AND BETTER SITE?		
107	Lydbrook is not served well by bus services and bus stops and residents may find difficulty accessing public transport to the new site.		
108	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.		
109	No		
110	No negative impact		
111	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		
112	If the funds available for a new hospital were invested in both Lydney and the Dilke an already good service could be improved		
113	Can only be limited by not building the new hospital.		
114	See above		
115	I can only think of positive things.		
116	<p>Update or expand Lydney hospital</p> <p>Increase bed availability for the Forest.</p>		

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
117	More bed capacity		
118	Keep Lydney Hospital operational.		
119	Greater provision of outpatient appointments. Flexibility on whether appointment slots are designated for a new referral or a follow-up appointment.		
120	Sufficient staff in and out of the hospital are central. Specialist medical input also essential. I note almost no mention of mental health services (other than dementia). There is a need for mental health nursing input to some patients with medical problems.		
121	Provide urgent care facilities locally, perhaps a nominated GP facility could be updated to include a minor injuries unit.		
122	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.		
123	Please have as many outpatients clinics at the new hospital as possible.		
124	Yes lack of MIU with diagnostics in Lydney will necessitate travelling through the Forest of Dean in a time of stress through injury or bad weather . Currently we are still able to drive but later we may have to rely on public transport or Ambulance. Similar comments on any reduction in out patients not quite so important		
125	The people making there decision should travel regularly to Gloucester and Cheltenham as we do now and then perhaps build a new state of the art hospital at Five Acres with modern services. The journey to Cinderford is better but the hospital being considered is not state of the art for major operations and with 24 beds too small		
126	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?		
127	None that I can think of		
128	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.		
129	Provide medical hub in Lydney		
130	Refurbish the Dilke and Lydney hospitals and not build one in Cinderford which we will not be able to access.		
131	Not possible to limit impact. Keep the existing 2 hospitals and supplement with a new build.		
132	Either keep the two existing hospitals or ensure a new facility is provided in Lydney		
133	Leave well alone and update spend the money to update and upgrade our existing to hospitals.		
134	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.		

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
135	You could limit it by replacing the services we currently have at Lydney Hospital in another location, doctors surgery or a new health hub.		
136	NIL ASAP to open		
137	A BIG NO As all your proposals are positive and would have that effect on everyone using the hospital? Well done Gloucestershire NHS		
		answered	137
		skipped	63

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
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	167
1	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.		
2	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.		
3	South of Forest Hospital.....EASY		
4	The vast majority of people within the Forest will have access to transport. I am sure that people needing urgent care would use the new unit in Cinderford rather than travel to the A&E unit in Gloucester to experience the delays currently experienced.		
5	As previously said, I think the Dilke and Lydney should stay open and work with the new hospital.		
6	Maybe a hospital in, say, Lydney?		
7	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.		
8	Wherever the hospital is located some people will find it easier to access others will find it more difficult. The best location has to be one that can easily be accessed by both private and public transport. Plus have sufficient capacity for private vehicles to park when they need to access the facilities for any reason.		
9	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.		
10	The site chosen for this facility is central to the forest and makes perfect sense. Having it on the southern boundary at Lydney does not for those in the North or Central areas. Cinderford is an obvious and logical location choice for all.		
11	Urgent care facility in Lydney		
12	This is no different from today with other parts of the Forest with the Dilke being closed. Can a MIU be provided in the south of the forest open 8am-8pm ?		

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
13	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.		
14	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		
15	Supply mini buses regularly from surrounding towns		
16	as mentioned above - this is a concern. When evaluating the distance people have to travel to an urgent care facility, it is not the mileage that counts, but the time taken- as so many road in the forest are slow and dangerous. If people in the south of the forest are realistically goin to use urgent cre in Wales, then systems for sharing information between health care trust and GPs will need to be implemented. Another thought is that an ambulance station could be based in Lydney, so that the population in that half of the county can still have fast access to hospital in an emergency.		
17	There is no problem with access		
18	I live in the North of the Forest. We are 40 minutes in any direction from the nearest hospital. I don't really see a case for the South other than that they have something now that is being taken away. Is anyone really considering the needs of the North???		
19	Sufficient public transport links are essential. Also, there should be plenty of disabled bays in the car park.		
20	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 MIIU must be seriously considered.		
21	I do think there is a need for more services to be sited in the south of the area		
22	Perhaps as in Cinderford, a new Doctors surgery could be built combining the two current services. This would allow a wing to be built especially for urgent care providing a 'one stop shop'		
23	The great thing about having 2 hospitals currently is that a&e is readily available. I feel that there needs to be another satellite station in Lydney. Perhaps this could be a mobile unit or provided by GP's. Gloucester is sometimes the only option offered during the night and after almost an hours journey the wait at the other end is often long and tiring.		
24	It isn't just south of the forest. It's all the border patients, especially in the ever growing population in Lea. Regular bus services getting across from the east to the west should be considered.		
25	Improve, not make worse what we have.		
26	As above. We will go straight to Southmead rather than drive through the Forest roads		
27	Road s from Lydney to cinderford not good enough, not acceptable		
28	Keep the two hospitals we already have, and build a new one , for people in the Cinderford area.The population is growing, not shrinking. We need more facilities , not less.		
29	keep a facility at lydney		
30	Would a smaller urgent care facility be possibility in the south of the Forest, maybe linked to an existing surgery?		

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
31	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!!		
32	I think local care should be provided		
33	What about people in the North? We have to travel a long way to access any service!		
34	Transport to Cinderford is almost non existent.		
35	By not going ahead with ur proposal		
36	Keep Lydney open ,		
37	Keep the hospital we already have in Lydney.		
38	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.		
39	Location is ideal for existing traffic routes would require little change		
40	It can't be how can it, the bus service is a joke there has been so many cuts, it will take hours to get from Lydney to Cinderford, in fact it would be quicker to go to Gloucester on the bus or train. Brierley does not have a bus service at all. So unless you have a car not much chance of getting to appointments		
41	As in A&E I assume. Hopefully it will not become over busy as if both Dilke & Lydney close (Cheltenham too is closed) It is going to be rather busy. The bus service is pretty poor especially at the moment due to covid and many cannot afford taxi's to get to the hospital. Not all people have family or friends to run them around. Will there be enough ambulances to cope ?		
42	Keep Lydney open!!		
43	Keep Lydney open.		
44	AE department		
45	Keep the Dilke and Lydney		
46	Lydney hospital should be retained		
47	They will have to travel further and may have a bus journey of 90 minutes.		
48	Already answered this.		
49	Continue to use our existing hospitals and also have this new one to support population increases		
50	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		
51	keep Lydney open!!		
52	Build a second hospital in Lydney		
53	Provision of local GP run units in Lydney. Improved road links between Lydney and Cinderford. Provision of direct public transport between Lydney and Cinderford!		

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
54	Keep the 2 hospitals but upgrade them		
55	KEEP IT AS IT IS NO LOCAL PERSON THINKS ITS AN IMPROVEMENT		
56	KEEP BOTH HOSPITALS		
57	By keeping Lydney hospital open		
58	A transport plan to involve the dilke hospital.		
59	keep Lydney hospital		
60	Keep Lydney open and have walk in facilities oncorporated		
61	Keep the other two hospitals		
62	Bigger health centre in Lydney		
63	I don't know how but e should have access to it		
64	Lydney needs vastly improved GP facilities to help compensate for the loss of the hospital. There are hundreds of new houses being built with no extra health care.		
65	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.		
66	By keeping Lydney Hospital open. It is the only sensible option. Not that common sense is often used in these consultations.		
67	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?		
68	There must be better health provision in, or near Lydney.		
69	The ability to have a minor injury unit local is better than having to travel to Gloucester.		
70	Need better transportation links.		
71	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.		
72	There is insufficient facilities now, they should not be cut more		
73	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 !!!!!!!		
74	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.		
75	Keep lydney and dilke open...common sense...		
76	The decision to build in Cinderford I believe was wrong however we are where we are. Urgent care can be provided in partnership with north Bristol and Chepstow. At the end of the day for an individual it's usually a one off event and if it's that urgent you just go where you need to. The problem of access for new housing at Sedbury without considerable new road infrastructure will cause problems		
77	You need a new shuttle bus service between Tutshill and Cinderford which can visit villages such as St Briavels on request.		
78	I believe that there should be a Super Surgery in Lydney to meet needs of urgent care patients there		

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
79	None, Cinderford accessible from all parts of the Forest.		
80	None, Cinderford accessible from all parts of the Forest.		
81	Other than the point about public transport above I don't see this being a problem. If something is really urgent then 999 is the choice and an ambulance and paramedics will make the correct choice		
82	Keep 2 hospitals		
83	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.		
84	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.		
85	Keep Lydney and the Dilke open.		
86	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.		
87	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.		
88	Facility in one of the Lydney surgeries		
89	To keep the minor injury unit open in Lydney.		
90	I think one urgent care facility will work		
91	I realize you feel with few people currently using the Dilke for emergency care the hours suggested and the lack of resident GP works, with the growing population and new builds I feel the care will definitely be needed in the future.		
92	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.		
93	Urgent care should be available 24/7 See comment re siting ambulance services		
94	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		
95	By keeping an urgent care department open an Lydney Hospital		
96	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 in to consideration. A new updated surgery/ health centre with additional services , perhaps on the site of Lydney hospital , would be a good idea.		
97	As above, but not sure who or how it could be provided unless part of Lydney hospital is kept open Eg current outpatients department		
98	See previous comments Have some other services say south Forest if that is viable. Develop more home care with patients and their families with and without technology. Do some work on social movements and mobilization, embrace the Dunkirk/Covid spirit and benefit from the strength of communities		
99	Perhaps there could be a small specialised unit attached to one of the current GP surgeries in Lydney for minor injuries etc.		

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
100	I think it's easier with 2 hospital. As it is at the moment.		
101	As I have said, a Health Hub in the expanding town of Lydney.		
102	Perhaps a second UC dept is a good idea in the South Forest---- ideally on the A48		
103	Keep Lydney Hospital open especially for x-ray and outpatient care		
104	By opening new hospital it would localise NHS care for the community		
105	Triage unit in GP Surgery		
106	Local care should be put in the place least affected by weather particularly snow and should be easily accessed by public transport		
107	Better bus services for people to get to the hospital. We have to remember that FoD roads are not the best and our bus services are constantly being reduced. It should also be noted that the FoD council's proposals for new housing is now concentrated on the A40 in the north of the area.		
108	Use part of Lydney hospital or build a bigger Health Centre to be used for outpatient appointments (where no specialist equipment needed, e.g. endoscopy) and a 9-5 MIU with or without xray OR split specialities /outpatients between Lydney and Cinderford. E.g. Phlebotomy, ophthalmology, podiatry at Lydney and endoscopy, orthopedics , chemotherapy etc at Cinderford.		
109	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 ??		
110	As stated previously a MIU needs to be located in the south of the district to support the rapidly growing population.		
111	Via GP surgeries or a walk in unit		
112	Increase GP availability or 111 services. Some may find it quicker to go to Gloucester		
113	As per my last comment. A new centre should be built in Lydney to provide urgent care.		
114	We need a facility in Lydney for outpatients, minor injuries and physio and similar treatment, which would 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.		
115	Dial Ride services if they have no personal transport		
116	As stated above - the present system works - leave well alone, if its nor broke, don't fix it Where will all your serious covid patients go when the Dilke is shut? Frightening!		
117	1) Blatantly obvious - retain Lydney hospital 2) Build another in / around this (west) area		
118	Can be difficult to get to Gloucester or Cheltenham		
119	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		
120	An urgent care facility could be provided in Lydney Could it be provided attached to one of the doctors surgeries? This could be nurse led with a doctor on call		

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
121	Leave Lydney hospital open. And use the Dilke for end of life care, or better still, cede it to Great Oaks hospice.		
122	Create an Urgent Care Centre in Lydney area.		
123	Keep Lydney OPEN		
124	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.		
125	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.		
126	A single provision provides for streamlined services where facilities and services and staff are not duplicated, leading to economies in provision. Accessibility of a single site will always be debated, particularly when the chosen site is not one of the existing ones, and people are adaptable to change if resistant. Ensuring staff can access the new site is important. The FOD map document does not show any services for residents in the south of the Forest beyond the surgery in St Briavel's. Without knowledge of the facilities, consideration could be given to extending services to capture some urgent care services at this site.		
127	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.		
128	An improved bus service from 8am to 8pm between the south of the Forest and Cinderford.		
129	The new hospital has to be located somewhere and Cinderford is quite central to all. Best location		
130	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		
131	With the increased house building we will need better provision of primary care.		
132	Improve and expand Lydney hospital		
133	Keep the local hospitals.		
134	The Urgent Response Team will need to be resourced sufficient to the new duties.		
135	I don't think that this will be an issue, it will be much better to have a new facility in Cinderford.		
136	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.		
137	Expanded transport services		
138	A regular reliable transport service. It does not need a double decker bus, particularly on narrow winding roads with poor surfaces e.g. Sling to Bream via Mill Hill and Lydbrook to Ruardean where 2 buses cannot pass. Those who decide bus routes must have local knowledge. Too often discussions for rural communities are made in city offices.		
139	Urgent care facilities should continue in Lydney and Cinderford		
140	Urgent care should be available in Lydney up grade the hospital		
141	Keeping Lydney Hospital operational.		
142	Shuttlebus service with pre-booked seats, with capacity for patients to be accompanied		
143	Funded taxis service or some payment for use of neighbours transport. Regular small bus/mini cab services. Perhaps mini cabs that are used for other services eg transport for day care could be used when not needed for day care ie between 10am and 3pm and after 4pm.		

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
144	As above		
145	Create more help in Lydney		
146	By commissioning the current services provided in Lydney MIU out of a New Lydney Health and Well Being Centre overseen by GP's and Advance Nurse Practitioners.		
147	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.		
148	A local hub in the south of the Forest would be beneficial for initial urgent care rather than having to travel to Cinderford		
149	See above		
150	I don't live in the south of the Forest so cannot speak for them. I am happy that the hospital will be in Cinderford. Are there any plans for a more inclusive health centre in Lydney since there is now a new one in Cinderford?		
151	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.		
152	Expand volunteer hospital transport - outside normal working hours. At the moment - first port of call is relatives, friends. More urgent cases would the paramedics - several occasions the ambulance service is used and does not require specialised transport - inappropriate use of resources		
153	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.		
154	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		
155	Instead of going to Chel or Glos for minor injuries. This can help yourself and ambulance to come to a local hospital. Staff encourage to work there.		
156	Retain Lydney hospital as medical hub for South of forest		
157	Keep the two we already have. Your proposal is more about saving money and not providing a full service to the local communities.		
158	Keep the existing hospitals and supplement with a new build		
159	Provide one by building a super surgery or retain the existing facility		
160	Upgrade both of our hospitals to meet what we need and put both of our A&E on a 24 hour service with the option to send urgent care cases to Gloucester.		
161	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.		

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	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.		
163	I think this new facility must include a 24hr A&E facility to reduce pressure on GRH. It can take 4 hrs plus on weekends to be seen, as well as a journey of an hour to reach GRH from some areas of the Forest! As 2 cottage type hospitals are to be closed when the new hospital opens we need to future proof this facility with an ever increasing and diverse population. Seems pointless to build a newer and larger cottage type hospital!!		
164	Due to staff shortage years ago Lydney MIU was closed in the evening and at night. The MIU at the Dilke remained open and patients travelled there without complaint. Its closer than regional service with excellent care! Don't fragment the service please as it is now on two sites.		
165	Maybe a discounted taxi/bus trip to and from hospital?		
166	The size of the car park would appear to be adequate at present. can we be assured that there will be no parking charges? As the hospital is on existing bus route the authorities would need to negotiate local bus companies to ensure regular bus services are available. in this rather rural area large parts of the population either cannot afford their own transport or have had to give up driving.		
167	Quick and informed judgement (and in the absence of a trauma unit) a rapid decision to transport the patient to the correct facility and not just to Gloucester A&E for further assessment		
		answered	167
		skipped	33

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	132
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	I think that it's essential for a pharmacy be situated in the hospital as there is no pharmacy open on a Sunday anywhere in the Forest of Dean except for one pharmacy for one hour only.		
3	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!		
4	This is a huge mistake for the Forest of Dean medical services provision		
5	In respect to the articles written stating that approximately 50% of inpatients are not from the Forest area hide a crucial fact. Beds are allocated on a first come first serve basis and therefore many Forest patients are being sent to hospitals in other parts of the county. We have experienced this in my family. My dad was discharged from GRH to Cirencester hospital. Despite our protests that visiting would be a 75 mile round trip it still went ahead. They assured us he would be transferred when a bed became available at the Dilke or Lydney. It never happened. It was just lip service to placate us. I would therefore take a different approach to calculating the bed capacity of the new hospital. The Forest population is growing fast. If sufficient bed capacity isn't factored in at this stage it would prove too costly to add at a later stage. The Covid situation highlights the need to be able to segregate staff and patients. By having an additional ward one could be isolated from the other.		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
6	The covid pandemic has brought up many issues, people are usually stressed attending any hospital appointments because something is wrong with their health. It is a known fact that paint colours and pictures have an impact on how people react along with the layout of the building. People need to feel safe. I hope this is taken into account.		
7	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?		
8	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.		
9	Capacity, facilities and accessibility are essential considerations, both for today and into the future. We need to think about everyone going forward and consider that many people are living longer and are likely to need medical care at some point in their lives. Particularly as we all get older. (Just think how the capacity of two current hospitals has increased over the years, it isn't unreasonable to consider that additional capacity will be required in the future.		
10	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		
11	Let's get it built!		
12	Transport links are key. I can currently drive but my husband cannot due to eye issues. The bus to Cinderford from my house runs 3 times a day. Maybe we need separate hospital buses and Stagecoach are very unlikely to increase their services		
13	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.		
14	in the booklet you talk about a bus stop outside the hospital, please ensure that buses run as well		
15	Playing field at lower cinderford not suitable site.Site access on main road will be dangerous cant see when pulling out from right. Road narrow turning to valley rd.would need to be made much larger and roundabout. Poor junction already. New doctors surgery valley road poor entrance with cars parking both sides of road out side shop.Better build new hospital in old engelhard site using the existing entrance on the industrial estate road.Easier for people travelling from other areas.		
16	A new Hospital in Cinderford would be brilliant for the Forest		
17	I'm concerned that the MIU may end up being Injury only. I and my family have turned to the MIU for illness as well as I jury and had a great service form the community hospitals. I don't think it's sensible to split the two.		
18	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?		
19	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.		
20	As an organisation that supports people with sensory loss, we would like to see eye clinics particularly macular clinics for injections brought into the new hospital. Currently people have to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham and if they have to organise transport through the local schemes it can still cost £25 -£30 per trip. It can take up to half a day to attend the appointment and can be a regular trip for up to 3 years. We currently provide free of charge hearing aid retubing but it is frustrating when people have to travel to gloucester for repairs (this can sometimes be done by post) we would therefore like to see more hearing services in the new hospital.		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
21	Could layout architects please consider waiting areas that contain smaller, quiet areas for people with mental health conditions (eg. social anxiety) and learning difficulties (eg. Autism) and also include soft lighting. Finally, please consider disabled toilets that include nappy changing mats for adults with severe learning conditions.		
22	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.		
23	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.		
24	No I have made my feelings clear		
25	There are enough houses in the area , without knocking hospitals down to build more. We need the hospitals we already have. It puts more pressure on people, and roads , if we have to travel further.		
26	You are to be commended on your degree of consultation.		
27	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		
28	Invest the money in the existing facilities. Open a 24hour Anand E department to take pressure off Gloucester and ease road congestion		
29	Better equip both hodpitas		
30	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 !!		
31	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!!		
32	It is pointless as you took no notice last time we were asked for an opinion		
33	I await the outcome of yet another consultation one of so many poorly advertised. Not all have computers especially the elderly and no doubt this has not been advertised to the general public like the previous consultations. Let us hope I am proved wrong but from past experience I think not. Too many very highly paid chief's and not enough Indians !		
34	Opinions covered elsewhere.		
35	I hope they have AE department , because no had a emergency going back lat year and had to make my way into Gloucester , because they couldn't do anything at the dike hostipital because no doctors on at the weekend ,and I hope the there are enough beds ,not like Hereford when that was built ,had to still use the old wards because of that reason .		
36	Listen to the people for once 😊		
37	How are you to replace the paying filed and play park you are to build over?		
38	No		
39	Please use some common sense...less beds make no sense...		
40	Please keep Lydney hosp open as you wont serve s. forest well by closing it		
41	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.		
42	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
43	LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE. DONT LET A "SUIT" MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT US, THAT DONT EFFECT HIM ! THE TWO HOSPITALS WERE FUNDED BY LOCAL WORKERS FOR LOCAL PEOPLE.		
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	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.		
46	The hospital we have has always served the forest well, spend the money on the dilke, plenty of room to expand, and set up transport route's to the hospital. Less beds for the forest is a not exceptable.		
47	no		
48	Upgrade both hospitals so that they can carry on serving their communities and provide local care services without long distance, unnecessary travel especially for older patients.		
49	No!		
50	Don't reduce our facilities and bed capacity		
51	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.		
52	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.		
53	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.		
54	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 filing service up to 8pm (nearest 24hr is Quedgeley!!). We are a growing population here in the South Forest.		
55	I disagree with the "findings " of the bed provision against the set guidelines.		
56	It's a shame Lydney & the Dilke have to close, it would be better if this was a new extra facility.		
57	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.		
58	Does the new hospital have more beds, more facilities? There is nothing wrong with what we have		
59	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		
60	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.		
61	Before I take part in this survey I notice your information bus venues do not include Newent. Does that mean we will not be allowed/expected to use the Cinderford facility?		
62	Get on as soon as possible		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
63	Will staffing levels be consistent 24/7 ? Will car parking be adequate and remain free?		
64	A Midwife Led Birthing Room would benefit the area for women who do not want Home Births		
65	Excellent plans proceeding as soon as possible.		
66	Excellent plans, proceed as soon as possible.		
67	Publish the timescale for the build and ensure that work stays on time.		
68	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.		
69	Fit for the future equals fit for supporting the expected rise in population and as the NHS seems to take the view of closing clinics at Lydney and moving them to Gloucester and Cheltenham indicates that unless the new hospital is equal or larger than the combined old total service cover from both Lydney and the Dilke, then there is no point in shutting these and building something that is smaller causing more patients to be seen at Gloucester and Cheltenham with the known transport problems which will only worsen.		
70	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.		
71	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.		
72	no		
73	Just concerned that the growth of the Forest is not being taken into account with the planning.		
74	I strongly disagree with the siting of the main hospital, plenty of derelict land, by new medical centre in Valley road. Cannot ambulance services be moved to same site. The argument for fewer beds is weak in view of population increases there should be more beds		
75	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		
76	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		
77	Would just like to re-emphasize my concerns about improved health provision in Lydney. Particularly in view of its increasing size.		
78	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		
79	Meant to say I think the 100 day hospital stay measure is a bit high and could be a bit more ambitious? If the community services really work then why so long in hospital		
80	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.		
81	Have the "guts" to over-ride obviously wrong decisions made by any future Citizens Juries!		
82	It is imperative staff are allowed input into the design of the new hospital depts..... as NHS staff myself, I know too many times in my career, design decisions have been made by senior staff/managers and architects who do not work in clinical areas and who have no idea of what it is like to do so!		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
83	My wife recently died of terminal cancer. We found good access to GP services and district nurses in the Forest. These services are being challenged by wider policy decisions and cuts in provision. A case needs to be made for how the local NHS will manage rural and community care in the Forest into the future.		
84	New hospitals should enhance existing facilities not downgrade them the plan to close two local hospitals and replace with one smaller one miles away is not fit for purpose		
85	Please just get on with providing the necessary facilities. We have been talking about this for years!		
86	I understand the reasons for 1 hospital for FOD but the FOD is a unique place with major transportation and poverty issues. People must have access to health care without it being a major expedition or leaving them destitute.		
87	<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>		
88	Hosp: will make a busy junction busier and dangerous. ? liaising with C.C - Highways re: ? lights & pedestrian crossings. Strongly agree with increased publicity of services provided for public - but also for staff at Gloucester & Cheltenham to save long journeys for patients. Staffing levels - will these be kept at a satisfactory level till the hospital opens. Will redundancies be involved?		
89	<p>Patient Advice and Liaison Service needed at the hospital.</p> <p>I hope for the right treatment at the right time. Despite reading the information in this booklet, I do not otherwise have the knowledge to comment on the various services.</p>		
90	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.		
91	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.		
92	No		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
93	<p>Please do not make the mistakes you have already made with the new Cinderford surgery. For Example - the nurses rooms are very large - twice the size of previous ones - unfortunately this means no room at all for podiatry - currently held at Dilke. No room for the nurses left behind at the old surgery - they wont move until new hospital is built. Meanwhile the rubbish is collected twice a week and they still need cleaners. Not much thought went into that. Also no regard for patient comfort. No cover of main entrance if people are forced to wait in the rain as a result of a two hourly bus service. Only one bench - also out in the open if you have to wait for a taxi. Space given over a couple of raised beds - landscaping?? Unfortunately relying on the local public to keep them weeded voluntarily - absolute nonsense! When you go to the doctors, the last thing you think about is the gardens</p> <p>I have taken the time to give my thoughts on your proposals, however the general feeling I get from reading the document is that most decisions have already been made and you are merely going through the motions. It would be interesting to know how many of the decisionmakers actually live in the forest - if you don't you have absolutely no idea what difficulties we face on a day to day basis</p>		
94	I note you keep referring to ""South of the Forest"" there are so many of us in West of the forest		
95	<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>		
96	<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>		
97	Hopefully the new hospital will have a large car park and a roundabout at the entrance as traffic on the Cinderford road is heavy		
98	More in patient beds will be needed. And provision should be made for maternity care, why should a woman in labour be forced to travel all the way to Gloucester?!		
99	<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>		
100	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.		
101	It is encouraging that the hospital design is being designed with flexibility in mind. Consideration should also be given to future extensions such that access through the existing building can be properly planned without compromising existing facilities - all too often new extensions are built on car parking space or with access through an existing facility rendering it to a corridor. This is particularly important as the current plans include a reflection of the local Forest environment, which future extension could damage.		
102	I wonder how much influence you have over bus providers to ensure a reliable service across the Forest to get to new hospital site.		
103	Looking forward to having a new local hospital that is fit for purpose. I hope the new building will be well staffed with pleasant gardens for use by staff and patients.		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
104	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		
105	Why are you asking for opinions when even before any consultation the decision had already been made		
106	Please keep our local hospitals. They are better for the local community.		
107	My best wishes.		
108	I am really pleased that we will have a new hospital in Cinderford, it's easily accessible and it will benefit the local community.		
109	The plan and aims look to be sensible and praiseworthy. We all hope that they can be fulfilled within our lifetime.		
110	The new hospital NEEDS MORE IN PATIENT BEDS.		
111	The proposal does not meet the needs of the local community		
112	With the increased housing around Lydney, a small Cinderford location is going to be both too small and problematic to access for many.		
113	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		
114	The importance of good sized windows with views of the trees, bluebells, bird and animal life. Good sound proofing making it easy to hear for those hard of hearing. I really like the ideas around complex care at home. A proper MDT! Doctors input would also be helpful. At least a designated doctor for the team to liaise with.		
115	I applaud the issue of this document and the previous information of a year or so ago		
116	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.		
117	During the last few months I have had several telephone consultations - orthopaedics follow up, physiotherapy and podiatry. I did not find any of these helpful - not because of people concerned but it was so difficult to explain without showing.		
118	Lydney has the opportunity to have a spacious 21st century Health and Well Being Centre with latest digitally connected diagnostics. A one stop shop with a range of independent but connected services on same site. The scope is endless. I am sure that people of Lydney and South Forest would get behind and support such a project in a way they have supported the local Lydney Hospital. Lydney has the largest and fastest growing population in the Forest		
119	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!		
120	Not in Cinderford and the hospital suggested is too small and not fit for maternity or major operations. I have said it all. Please re-think and build a proper hospital at Five Acres for the Forest of Dean. If you do you will go down in history, if you don't, you will risk the wrath of the Forest of Dean.		
121	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.		
122	It should be very good to have these services in the forest.		

Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
123	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.		
124	I feel if you could expand the Dilke buy land from Forest Commission this is more easier for transport and while people wait make more attached landscape		
125	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.		
126	The current pandemic shows that only having one hospital is a disaster for the FoD		
127	As the forest of dean is expanding at a very fast pace consider spending the money wisely and providing excellent health care from your existing well built hospitals rather than building rushed new buildings that no who is a true Forester wants.		
128	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.		
129	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.		
130	Looking forward to visiting new hospital, very exciting! Good luck.		
131	The new hospital is in the wrong place - it should be in the centre of the Forest.		
132	I think far more importance needs to be given to mobility problems - before elderly people become bed or chair bound.		
		answered	132
		skipped	68

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

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	175
1	GL15		
2	GL17		
3	GL15		
4	GL15		
5	GL14		
6	GL17		
7	GI15		
8	GL15		

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

		Response Percent	Response Total
9	GL17		
10	GL15		
11	GL17		
12	GL15		
13	GL16		
14	GL16		
15	GL17		
16	GL15		
17	GL15		
18	GL14		
19	GL16		
20	GL14		
21	GL17		
22	GL15		
23	GL15		
24	GL18		
25	GL14		
26	GL17		
27	gl14		
28	HR9		
29	GL15		
30	GL15		
31	GL15		
32	GL15		
33	GL15		
34	GL15		
35	GL15		
36	GL15		
37	GL15		
38	Np16		
39	GL15		
40	GL15		
41	GL14		
42	GL17		
43	GL14		

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

		Response Percent	Response Total
44	GL15		
45	GL16		
46	GL14		
47	GL16		
48	GI14		
49	GI15		
50	GI15		
51	GL15		
52	GL15		
53	GL17		
54	GL15		
55	GL15		
56	GL15		
57	GL15		
58	GL15		
59	GI17		
60	gl19		
61	GI15		
62	GI15		
63	GL15		
64	GL15		
65	GL15		
66	GI15		
67	GL15		
68	GL14		
69	GL15		
70	gl15		
71	GL15		
72	GL14		
73	GL15		
74	GL15		
75	GI18		
76	GI15		
77	GL16		
78	GL16		

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

		Response Percent	Response Total
79	GL15		
80	GL17		
81	GL14		
82	GL14		
83	GL16		
84	GL15		
85	GL15		
86	GL15		
87	GL16		
88	GL15		
89	GL15		
90	NP16		
91	GL15		
92	GL14		
93	gl15		
94	GL14		
95	GL15		
96	GL15		
97	GI15		
98	GL15		
99	GL14		
100	GL15		
101	GI16		
102	gl15		
103	GL15		
104	GL16		
105	GL15		
106	GL51		
107	GL15		
108	GL19		
109	GL1		
110	GL15		
111	GL15		
112	GL15		
113	GL17		




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

		Response Percent	Response Total
114	GL16		
115	GL15		
116	NP16		
117	NP16		
118	GL14		
119	GL14		
120	GL15		
121	GL14		
122	GL15		
123	GL15		
124	GL17		
125	GL14		
126	GL14		
127	GL14		
128	GL15		
129	GL15		
130	GL15		
131	GL17		
132	GL15		
133	HR9		
134	GL17		
135	GL15		
136	GL15		
137	GL15		
138	GL16		
139	GI15		
140	GL15		
141	GL16		
142	GL14		
143	GL16		
144	GL15		
145	GL15		
146	GI15		
147	GL15		
148	GL15		




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

		Response Percent	Response Total
149	GL15		
150	GL16		
151	GL15		
152	GL15		
153	GL16		
154	GL14		
155	GL15		
156	GL16		
157	GL15		
158	GL15		
159	GL14		
160	GL15		
161	NP16		
162	GL15		
163	GL15		
164	GL14		
165	GL15		
166	NP16		
167	GL14		
168	GL15		
169	GL16		
170	GL17		
171	GL15		
172	GL16		
173	GL14		
174	GL15		
175	GL16		
		answered	175
		skipped	25








Which age group are you?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Under 18		0.00%	0
2	18-25		0.00%	0
3	26-35		0.00%	0
4	36-45		0.00%	0
5	46-55		0.00%	0
6	56-65		42.50%	85
7	66-75		38.00%	76
8	Over 75		19.50%	39
9	Prefer not to say		0.00%	0
			answered	200
			skipped	0



Are you:

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	A health or social care professional		11.73%	21
2	A community partner/member of the public		83.24%	149
3	Prefer not to say		5.03%	9
			answered	179
			skipped	21

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

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	No		64.95%	126
2	Mental health problem		6.19%	12
3	Visual Impairment		3.61%	7
4	Learning difficulties		1.03%	2
5	Hearing impairment		7.73%	15
6	Long term condition		17.53%	34
7	Physical disability		12.89%	25




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

			Response Percent	Response Total
8	Prefer not to say		1.55%	3
9	Other (please specify):		4.64%	9
			answered	194
			skipped	6





Other (please specify): (9)

1	I care for some one disabled due to stroke
2	N/A
3	Just old age!
4	Just getting older!
5	Claudication to L. leg / Sciatica / walking restriction
6	COPD
7	Old Age!
8	Old age
9	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		47.15%	91
2	No		48.19%	93
3	Prefer not to say		4.66%	9
			answered	193
			skipped	7

Which best describes your ethnicity?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	White British		91.96%	183
2	White Other		0.50%	1
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		4.52%	9
8	Other (please specify):		3.02%	6
			answered	199
			skipped	1
Other (please specify): (6)				
1	N/A			
2	Human			
3	English			
4				
5	White, with possible Irish.			
6	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		21.03%	41
2	Buddhist		0.00%	0
3	Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Methodist and other denominations)		70.77%	138
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		7.69%	15
9	Other (please specify):		0.51%	1
			answered	195
			skipped	5




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

		Response Percent	Response Total
Other (please specify): (1)			
1	N/A		





Are you:

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Male		38.19%	76
2	Female		59.80%	119
3	Other		0.00%	0
4	Prefer not to say		2.01%	4
			answered	199
			skipped	1




Do you identify with your gender as registered at birth?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		95.90%	187
2	No		0.51%	1
3	Prefer not to say		3.59%	7
			answered	195
			skipped	5

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

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Heterosexual or straight		89.01%	170
2	Gay or lesbian		0.00%	0
3	Bisexual		0.52%	1
4	Other		0.52%	1
5	Prefer not to say		9.95%	19
			answered	191
			skipped	9

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

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		0.00%	0
2	No		76.80%	149
3	Prefer not to say		0.52%	1
4	Not applicable		22.68%	44
			answered	194
			skipped	6