

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

## Responses from those who help or support a family member, friend or neighbour (not including paid employment).

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Inpatient care:	17.1% (29)	17.6% (30)	21.2% (36)	41.8% (71)	2.4% (4)	170
Urgent care:	17.1% (29)	18.8% (32)	21.2% (36)	41.2% (70)	1.8% (3)	170
Diagnostic services:	18.8% (32)	30.0% (51)	14.7% (25)	32.4% (55)	4.1% (7)	170
Outpatient services:	19.4% (33)	29.4% (50)	16.5% (28)	31.8% (54)	2.9% (5)	170
					answered	170
					skipped	3

Please tell us why you think this, e.g. the information you would like us to consider (140)

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	You have the opportunity to be a pioneer for local hospitals. Reducing the need for people to travel to Gloucester, Newport and Bristol for care.
4	Reducing overall services under one roof does not sit well. The distance to the main regional hospitals glos/chelt is too far, reduced beds means people are further away from loved ones away from the community they live! Waiting times for a&e is already beyond a joke and reducing to just one site staggers belief! But hey if it saves you a couple of quid crack on. Peoples lives don't really matter do they?
5	I am a student midwife in my final year of training all of my placements have been in Hereford. I have read the proposal and I understand that it has been decided that there will be no maternity unit in the new hospital. I feel this will be such a shame and a miss opportunity to allow local people to have local births, a stand alone midwifery led birth unit would be a fantastic addition to the Forest of Dean. I know myself and a number of recently qualified midwives who would love the opportunity to care for local women, to give them a chance to have holistic women centred care right on their doorstep. To ensure that they get the care they need without having to travel 19 miles to Gloucester. Such a shame it has been ruled out as an option, it would have as I have already stated been a much needed service for the women and their families in the Forest of Dean. I am passionate about trying to get local maternity services into the area. I would be proud to work in the area I have lived all my life, I would love to provide the local women local care.
6	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.

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7	<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&amp;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&amp;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>						
8	Inpatient beds. With covid our saving grace has been having two hospitals.						
9	Don't agree with your assumptions regarding capacity or accessibility from other parts of the FoD, such as Lydney						
10	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.						
11	<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>						

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12	As a health care professional living and working in the forest the number of beds is far too few, urgent care services need to run much longer and the location for the locals on the of Lydney to the Welsh board is not ideal. Have we not learnt through this pandemic alone that inpatient beds are too few and urgent care services are not adequate. Like many of the people I work with and public I serve this was highlighted as an issue well before the announcement of this replacement hospital. And since the closure of the A&E department at Cheltenham and the increasing demand placed on Gloucester Royal is proving to be a poor decision adversely affecting patient care, perhaps the commity should be listening more to the public and health care professionals that use and work around the locality rather than data that suggests this new hospital is suitable						
13	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						
14	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.						
15	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.						
16	Would save ambulance time and work and hopefully lives as takes long time to get to Gloucester and Cheltenham and ltd parking spaces						
17	Not enough brds. All.single rooms not a good idea, difficult to manage falls, dementia patients etc						
18	While I agree with the principles set out re the reduction in beds, I am not convinced that you have developed a robust offer for Gloucester residents. The urgent care service is okay - and I welcome the additional diagnostic services over the weekend, but you need to ensure that staff are sufficiently competent to provide the right level of care. We have often attended current MIU to be sent to Gloucester A&E, only to be told that the problem should have been dealt with at the MIU! If you really want to keep people out of A&E you need to provide a good quality local service that we can trust.						
19	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?						
20	<p>24 beds is NOT enough!! 4th November 2020 Having my 89 yr old Aunt triaged at Lydney MIU to then still need to go to Gloucester Royal to then wait on a trolley for 5hrs in a freezing corridor is not what any person should have to deal with when they are unwell!!! 10 ambulances parked outside trying to check in. Your nurse practitioners are amazing but they are limited by the opportunity to be able to innovate their service. This new building could allow for total service resign. Surely your nurse practitioners should be able to admit to the local hospital and the GP can arrange tests and make the person comfortable before the hell of going to the acute trust!! Surely a medical assessment holding bay of 5 beds would help ease pressure on the already over stretched acute trust? Which could be managed by the MIU and inpatient teams. Invest in your staff.</p> <p>Inpatient rehabilitation therapy space :- exactly that! It is not the same in a cramped confined space.</p> <p>Outpatients:- This once in a life time opportunity to get it right - don't combine services assuming they will work it out. Space is a necessity when providing rehabilitation for complex people with multiple disabilities. Parallel bars for amputee rehab. Exercise space that is indoors and outdoors for group sessions.</p> <p>Having all community services within the hospital space will enhance the holistic management of patients and the patients journey. That is why investing in multidisciplinary teams is the gold standard approach.</p>						
21	I think fewer beds will ultimately be a problem. Urgent care hours are shorter than before. Diagnostic services seem slightly improved. As for outpatient services it remains to be seen if this will be the same or if longer trips to either Gloucester or Cheltenham will be necessary.						
22	Retain outpatient services for long term/acute conditions and children's services. The frequency of appointments needed for some of these conditions will make regular travel to Gloucester prohibitively expensive for some patients in what is an area of high deprivation.						

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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	It will cater for those in the north of the Forest only.....many people on the A48 corridor currently served by Lydney Hospital will not benefit from the new facility due to transport and access issues.....						
25	Lydney needs it's own Hospital						
26	<p>I can get my dad who has Parkinson's to Lydney Hospital easily and quickly if necessary.</p> <p>My mum passed away last year at Lydney hospital from secondary breast cancer and was a total god send that we could be so close when we needed to be.</p> <p>If this service moves to Cinderford the people of Lydney may as well go to Gloucester for treatment considering how far away it is.</p> <p>It's impossible for my dad to get on a bus, let alone getting the continued funding for a bus service required to get people from Lydney to Cinderford and there was no mention of how you was planning to fund a bus service.</p> <p>My mum also used the mobile chemo service at the Dilke, this was also a lot easier to get to compared to Cheltenham, however, it had no or very little public transport available for people from Lydney.</p> <p>Your plans look very nice but this does not serve the needs of the residents of Lydney as we have better transport links to Gloucester.</p>						
27	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.						
28	The positioning of the new hospital will not be easily accessible to about 1/3rd of the population. The proposed number of in patient facilities are too small, being half of what currently exists.						
29	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.						
30	There are numerous patients from the forest area in hospitals outside the area atm, with all these new houses being built throughout the forest there is no way 24 beds will cover the 'locals' needs. Same applies for urgent needs. There needs to be a second emergency care unit at Lydney, where the majority of the population live and also has far easier access for those without their own transport. Getting everyone to Cinderford with the poor public transport and near impassable roads during the winter will cause more accidents and patients! We all know that time in Ugent care is just that, needs to be urgent, including getting the patient to the facilities.						
31	With the ever growing population around the Forest Of Dean & you want to build a hospital with fewer beds is beyond me, Gloucester and Cheltenham can't cope now. I think it's absolutely ridiculous						
32	Less facilities overall for a growing community makes no sense at all.						
33	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 ,						
34	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.						
35	Lydney has alot of heavy industry, getting to Cinderford with the roads in the Forest of Dean will take far too long. Having personally used Lydney when I had a myocardial infarction, I do not know where I would be without it.						

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36	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.						
37	Number of beds						
38	Would be a lot more help for patients and not going to the worse hospital Gloucester						
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	We need our community hospitals as people without cars can't use non existent buses						
41	I will only truly believe you will be able to provide all of the above when the plans for Lydney health centres are agreed. I am assuming patients will be able to access many out patient services there too. The Forest of Dean and Severnside has greatly expanded and still is, you are offering less beds. What about our elderly with mental health issues that have to go to Cheltenham. Provide services across the board in our local towns. Stop staff having to travel so far and more importantly stop poorly people and their relatives having to travel. What has happened with dementia patients is inhumane. Spouses can't pop up and down to Cheltenham every day. It will be even worse if local people can't come back here to be cared for. The site chosen is no where near big enough unless you adapt one of the other hospitals for people to return to. I agree a new hospital would be cheaper to run and they lay out will be enable safer working practices. Just please take into account the growth of the local population.						
42	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.						
43	Sabot enough facilities to care for all of the Forest.						
44	AE department needed .						
45	This facility will not accommodate ever bodies needs !! Some people may get very rich out of these crazy proposals!! 😊😊						
46	One hospital is not enough to support the growing population of the Forest of Dean. We should be able to access all forms of hospital care within the Forest and reduce the pressure on GRH also reducing travel issues and times for people. This would also have and impact on pollution and global warming						
47	there is no way 24 beds is enough. If we have another covid type of thing, where will we put people? I thought the idea was to have more and better of everything. The only upside is having a more modern environment						
48	Fewer number of inpatient beds, too far for some people to travel, lack of decent public transport						
49	We have 2 wonderful hospitals already all you need to do is update . Save our hospitals dont destroy more of our communities.						

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50	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!						
51	Saves on travelling						
52	The population of Lydney (and indeed the Forest) is expanding, and this centralisation is going to cause a disadvantage to the citizens of Lydney and the surrounding areas. Cinderford and its locality (Newent, Mitcheldean etc) are far closer to Gloucester than Lydney. This leaves the Lydney end of the Forest further away from a hospital than anywhere else in the Forest!!						
53	The location of this hospital is ridiculous. The town that gets cut off when it snows making journeys to cinderford impossible when urgent medical help needed. It should have gone to lydney .. A roads staight to our bigger hospitals .. gloucester bristol .. does not get snowed in in bad weather and the town that has had the most new housing in the last 5 years.						
54	Need more beds , the time for minor injuriesto be adjusted to 12pm as it a pain having to go to gloucester just for a minor injury. Mor urgent care falcities. More range of treatment facilities and caring facilites too						
55	Road suitability. Cinderford is close to gloucester anyway. Look at how quick road time in a car is from Lydney to gloucester and cinderford to gloucester. Lydney if further and the road from parkend to cinderford is unsuitable for loads of traffic hidden dangers of animals dangerous bends not many overtake spots for emergency vehicles						
56	I do not believe that any spare capacity in terms of beds will be reserved solely for FOD residents. Therefore a reduction in bed numbers will result in less availability for residents. The removal of all services in Lydney is a disgrace. Inpatient beds are not a great concern but the removal of outpatients, minor injuries and imaging definitely is. The transport network means it would be quicker for many Lydney residents to attend GRH instead of Cinderford. I also worry that during winter months Cinderford will be inaccessible to staff and patients if it snows.						
57	Location						
58	The population of Lydney is ever increasing as a result of new housing estates. I am very worried the influx in population will not be supported by the cinderford hospital. In addition to this, lydney hospital supports and provides care for those patients in the wider area eg woolaston etc - providing an urgent service without the need to travel to Gloucester. As my nan was recently in the care of lydney hospital, i can vouch for the great accessibility and staff which work there, providing a local service where my nan knew the parents of staff etc and felt safe in her home town facility. If anything, i would vote to develop and expand the content lydney facility to be able to cope with the further need and increased usage of the services provided. It will also keep local jobs for those who may have worked at the hospital for many years.						
59	We need services on our doorstep, that is accessible to all. The transport systems within the Forest are quite poor with many towns lacking frequently links to city hospitals. The forest is a high area for poverty, social depravity and ill health and peoole should be able to have access to services without travelling hours						
60	Too far from home, nothing for Lydney. Both lydney doctors are always busy have to wait weeks for an appointment and if l'm emergency it'll be drive for help not good enough. We have lots of new houses being built by high field hill and by JD Norman and nowhere for them to get medical care as our doctors are always busy and when lydney hospital shuts no where in lydney to get emergency medical care! It's not good enough really!						
61	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.						
62	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!						



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63	Lydney is expanding, we will be at a loss without Lydney hospital						
64	You aren't offering anything new that isn't already being done in the hospitals you're proposing to close.						
65	The number of inpatient beds are clearly inadequate, approx half of current combined beds at Dilke and Lydney. How will you manage with this number? I know that you have just had to increase the number of beds back up at Dilke. Has the current pandemic taught you nothing about under capacity in the NHS?						
66	Lydney needs a hospital in its own town to continue						
67	I think I would definitely agree with the inpatient bed resource as long as the beds are predominately for foresters only - no one that isn't from the area						
68	Transport and location is the biggest issue especially for anyone without a car .						
69	I do not agree that you should close lydney hospital. We need the hospital						
70	There are two perfectly functioning hospitals 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						
71	I disagree with this statement as firstly the proposed route you have announced only has one hospital in the equasion. The Forest of Dean needs at least two hospitals, because of the demographics of the district. It was stated in the citizens jury that people should be able to access health care within 20 minutes, how can people from the border areas such as Sedbury get to Cinderford in 20 minutes! The plans state the hospital as having 24 in patient beds, this is no where near enough to cover the whole district. The public transport system around the Forest is far from adequate and how will people access the new hospital, without that! The reduction in services locally because of only having one hospital will put more pressure on community nurses						
72	Nothing wrong with the two we have!!!!!!						
73	<p>I have lived in Lydney my whole life, the amount of times I have had to goto Lydney Hospital has been quite a few times and it has been a god send, As a non driver there would be no chance I could get to Cinderford in an emergency.</p> <p>Lydney hospital is convenient especially with the growing population of new housing around the area, I think it would be extremely foolish to shut the hospital and also not helpful for the local residents at all. Plus it would take the pressure off the hospital at Cinderford.</p> <p>The hospital has been a staple to local residents since I have been a little girl, especially with the fete they had too, and I think it is a big part our the local heritage.</p>						
74	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						
75	<p>Urgent care is extremely important as the distance to the next hospital providing this service could be the difference between life and death.</p> <p>Inpatient unit extremely important to our elderly and families to maintain contact with their friends and family which would improve emotional wellbeing which would have a positive impact on physical wellbeing leading to less time in hospital</p>						
76	A very limited opportunity to comment having not seen any physical data. As I work within a NHS urgent care role I'd like to see more opportunity for SDEC conditions to be managed in the community. The transport links are also notoriously appalling in the FoD and therefore proposals need to be in conjunction with a larger transport plan.						
77	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..						
78	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.						

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79	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.						
80	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!!						
81	i think the forest needs 2 hospitals						
82	With only one hospital in the FoD you are taking away a major medical service. Travelling from Lydney to Cinderford is long and often dangerous especially during winter periods . Also, from Lydney it is quicker to get to Gloucester by public transport than it is by road and so will have a huge impact on those who are visiting patients or have an outpatient apt.						
83	Population of south FOD is expanding and not being catered for.						
84	There is not enough information on how people in the South of the Forest can access urgent care swiftly. There is still an unacceptable commute to the larger hospitals for women in labour.						
85	The population is growing and we need this unit locally						
86	Regarding in patient care I think you need to re think about the number of beds as 24 is lower then the two hospitals it is replacing. Urgent care you need to look at extending opening hours to 11 pm the same as the other hospitals pre covid-19						
87	We need a hospital in the forest that we are able to attend at all hours. To take the pressures off gloucester hospital and be able to access more urgent care closer to home						
88	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						
89	Logistic nightmare for an ageing community no foresight into the patients that are the majority users of these services.						
90	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.						
91	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!						
92	Nowhere near enough beds, space or services. Double it and you might be talking						
93	Transport infrastructure to Cinderford which health authorities has no control over is appalling from the south Forest at any time but particularly in the winter on top of which there has been higher increase in population in Lydney and South so reduction to these services being only provided in Cinderford would be catastrophic						
94	The number of beds proposed is inadequate. Although based on the current number of inpatients at both Lydney and The Dilke, it fails to account for an aging population and an increase in population in the area. It is suggested the numbers at Lydney and The Dilke are higher due to patients being sent from Gloucester. If that is the case, these patients are not going to magically disappear either. The Dilke has also served a respite isolation base during the current Covid-19 pandemic and this would not be possible with a reduced number of beds in the brand new fit for purpose building.						



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95	The information driving the amount of inpatient beds is based on historical data and averages rather than specifics and forward planning for an ageing population with a high level of comorbidities, higher than average level of obesity and higher level than average number of people receiving disabled benefits. I understand the need for providing other options to inpatient care, but the consultation does not put numbers onto the amount of first responders or community care staff. A lot also depends on 111 number and primary care, neither of which can currently cope - so it appears to be just passing the problem. If fewer beds and services are to be supplied then the approach to this should be to build a new healthcare service for the Forest of Dean not a new hospital.						
96	As a disabled person who lives in Lydney it is vital for myself and others like me who do not drive, do not always have others who can take us to hospital appointments to have a hospital that is in our town and easily accessible as and when it is needed. It is vital that we have a local hospital in order to get care in an emergency that isn't further afield from where we live. Without Lydney hospital and the Dilke I personally would not have been able to get the help and treatment to aid my disabilities as my only other option was Gloucester hospital which wasn't practical as I have to rely on my grandad who is 79 to take me to appointments there as with my disability I am unable to drive myself and he is the closest relative I have who was able to take me most of the time but with his age I didn't want to have to rely on him to take me everywhere all of the time so I asked for appointments as often as I could at Lydney hospital so I could possibly attend my appointment either on my own using my mobility scooter, on the bus or by taxi or by asking either my mum or my partner to push me up there in my wheelchair which is far more practical. Over the years I have used Lydney hospital for sessions with my orthopedics, attended specialist appointments with muskaps, had several courses of physiotherapy and been treated with a nebuliser for my asthma. That is why it is my opinion as how important Lydney hospital and the Dilke are to the Forest of Dean community. I have spoken to dozens of people since the proposal of a new hospital on this topic and not one person has agreed about a new hospital they all want to save the hospitals we have now. Another issue is using public transport in the Forest of Dean to attend hospitals. Bus services on average finish around 7 - 8pm which is good if you are going to hospital in the day time but anytime after would be extremely difficult to travel to go to the hospital if you do not drive so a new hospital will not stop this issue and trains to Gloucester run later than the buses so if necessary people would find it easier to go to Gloucester hospital than to the new one and as you know Gloucester hospital is already under a lot of pressure as it is without more people from this area heading there and also if someone caught the very last bus to go to the new hospital would end up stranded there and taxis are quite expensive. So having Lydney hospital and the Dilke is far more practical. Our other concerns are the fact when built this hospital will have far less beds than Lydney and the Dilke combined which again could also mean that many others will have to go to Gloucester hospital and take up more of their resources and add to the pressure and finally Lydney and other areas in the Forest are currently growing with new housing developments which would mean a massive increase in population which in turn would mean there will be far many more people needing hospital treatment and the new hospital wouldn't have the capacity of beds and resources to cope with that amount of people so therefore a new hospital is impractical and Lydney hospital and the Dilke are more practical.						
97	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.						
98	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 inpatient beds, especially with all the extra housing being built.						
99	I would have liked more info about COPD clinics and asthma services. The GP out of hours does not work in the Forest as it nearly always requires an appointment in Glos. Travel to Cinderford is not easy within the Forest - no taxis and poor public transport. More diagnostics locally would be great. What about cancer care, as currently that is mostly Cheltenham or Bristol - a long journey back after treatment.						

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100	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.						
101	Ageing population find local hospitals easier to get to and navigate Not sure emergency capabilities can be accommodated fully						
102	I would like you to consider the day room for patients and relatives. After my sons stay at Cheltenham and Gloucester hospitals during the pandemic this area was not used for us. No one knows how long this is going to carry on. Better facilities in the single rooms would be more beneficial						
103	People who have no access to transport especially those in Lydney and surrounding areas will not be able to get to the hospital, especially in the winter where there is ice/snow and Cinderford becomes unaccessible						
104	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.						
105	I cannot agree with your argument that fewer beds are needed at the new hospital, our population is growing fast and we also have an aging population. How much will buying beds in care homes cost as compared with having a hospital bed for a patient. The care in the community proposals sound good in theory as long as they are backed up by sufficient resources ie Money and staff						
106	Easy access to urgent care services for Lydney and surrounding areas will be key. Single rooms for inpatient services, can be isolating, how will this be mitigated.						
107	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						
108	I think due consideration has been given to the needs of the community and the services offered						
109	Definite need of a hospital in the Forest if Dean						
110	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? Are there enough staff on the Rapid Response teams to cope with increased demand for their services? They're stretched as it is! 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. 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. 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. Yoh might end up with only one bus a day from Lydney!						
111	The reduction in the number of beds for inpatients, especially with the large increase in the number of new houses being built in the south of the district. The location of the hospital, making it very difficult for those that live in the south of the forest to access. Local transport services are very limited and there is no indication that this will be improved.						

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112	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.						
113	The proposal sound wonderful - I feel the tone of the report concentrates on emptying inpatient beds. I am surprised they are included at all!						
114	24 beds is not enough. There may be some people outside the Forest in Dilke & Lydney at the moment, but discounting them does not make 24 enough. There are proposals for a huge housing development at Newent. There are 100s of houses being built NOW in the south of the Forest - Sedbury, Tutshill, Lydney. We in the south feel ignored when you have been assessing what's needed in the new hospital. For us getting to Cinderford is a nightmare. The roads are narrow and full of cyclists, tourists and heavy lorries bound for industrial sites at Coleford. There is a heavy haulage company in Tidenham using the B road on a daily basis. So we take the A48 to Lydney but still have to take the narrow Forest roads to Cinderford. Cinderford had a sprinkling of snow on Saturday. It will be an horrific journey from here to Cinderford in the darkness of winter. Buses are very rare from here to Cinderford. You plan a bus stop - the question is, will there be any buses to stop there? With what frequency and in the evenings too? My husband and I are in our 70s. We need a health provision in Lydney, where we would be happier driving to at night and in the winter if the need arises, for outpatients' appointments and treatment like physiotherapy and minor injuries. We are worried that Forest health provision is moving further way from us and will be less accessible when we are approaching an age when we might need it most.						
115	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						
116	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.						
117	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.						
118	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.						
119	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.						
120	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 doe not seem enough to build a new hospital.						
121	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.						
122	My wife has supported people living in the Forest for 25 yrs. When tjev have required inpatient support in the Forest the beds were full. Urgent care needs to be local.						
123	With the increased housing around Lydney, a small Cinderford location is going to be both too small and problematic to access for many.						






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124	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.						
125	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.						
126	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						
127	I agree that Inpatient care can be provided in one unit with 24 single rooms, as long as the care is focused on the needs of local people who live in the area and provision is made in the new build of the hospital for extra beds should the occasion arise.  Locating all MIU services in Cinderford severely disadvantages patients who live in the south of the forest. Access to GPs is becoming increasingly more difficult and being able to call in at a local 'urgent care centre' for reassurance and signposting is most important.						
128	Are there really enough beds to accommodate inpatients at all times?						
129	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.						
130	More information needed to answer these questions. Inpatient care will be impacted by shortage of beds.						
131	I think centralising key health treatments is an excellent idea that will really work. It will work because the treatments placed in one location compliment each other and work together.						
132	Impossible for us in the regions of Sedbury and Tutshill to access this facility						
133	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.						
134	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.						
135	The Forest needs the two hospitals it already has. The towns are growing and Cinderford/Newport/Gloucester are just too far away for immediate care.						






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136	<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"". Doea 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 resorces 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>						
137	We are 20 miles from GRH! Local travel extra miles. Reduced pollution, car parking costly/space. Free parking/space Ambulances :- save time, cost etc						
138	More inpatient beds longer opening for m i u						
139	For the south of the Forest, particularly Lydney this new hospital in Cinderford is not viable. The amount of new houses being built in Lydney is growing so quickly and only continuing to grow in the future. Lack of public transport from Lydney to Cinderford is a serious issue. All 3 hospitals are required. Lydney, Dilke and new.						
140	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		17.1%	29
2	Agree		17.6%	30
3	Disagree		21.2%	36
4	Strongly disagree		41.8%	71
5	No opinion		2.4%	4
			answered	170

1.2. Urgent care:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		17.1%	29
2	Agree		18.8%	32
3	Disagree		21.2%	36
4	Strongly disagree		41.2%	70
5	No opinion		1.8%	3
			answered	170

1.3. Diagnostic services:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		18.8%	32
2	Agree		30.0%	51
3	Disagree		14.7%	25
4	Strongly disagree		32.4%	55
5	No opinion		4.1%	7
			answered	170

1.4. Outpatient services:			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Strongly agree		19.4%	33
2	Agree		29.4%	50
3	Disagree		16.5%	28
4	Strongly disagree		31.8%	54
5	No opinion		2.9%	5
			answered	170



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		<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	148
1	Urgent care only being available between 8am-8pm means outside of these times a long journey to an already over pressured service in Gloucester. Considering the size of the county of Gloucestershire 1 A&E is always going to be under pressure and in escalation for the majority of the time - causing long delays and waits for potentially very poorly patients and worrying times for family.		
2	I think having single rooms will be nicer for people, I think people want to die at home and not in hospital if they can so I agree with this,		
3	On the negative side this hospital will be useless unless there are plenty of inpatient beds.		
4	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.		
5	Having a new facility will benefit my family however it is imperative that you provide a service that residents of the Forest of Dean and those travelling to the district actually need.		
6	Longer journeys to a hospital, longer waits for a&e services we should be getting increased services as the population is growing not less		
7	I think that a new Hospital is ideal, local services for local people. A newly built hospital with more space would ideally allow local people to have access to more medical services without having to travel outside of the Forest of Dean		
8	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.		
9	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.		
10	Closer for appointments which means less driving for my disabled partner		
11	Distance to hospital Stroke unit?		
12	Reduced availability of beds, staff and resources in the Forest, leading to longer delays both logistically and internally at GRH.		
13	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.		
14	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!		

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15	Between the reduced hours at Lydney and the lack of services at the Dilke during this pandemic patient care has already suffered. Once the Royal Gwent ED and Lydney MIU are closed it will mean further travel for people and longer waiting times for basic urgent treatment, that 111 pass to the ambulance service instead of appropriately triaging and directing. Family's are already being split across the county when an inpatient bed is needed as there are too few and in some cases are being discharged home only to be readmitted later that day/night as they are unsafe to be at home but the hospitals feel pressured to make beds available		
16	I think it is positive that travel to Gloucester will not be required for some treatments		
17	it will help with those needing regular hospital appointments and not having to travel to Chelt or Glos as often and making the part of the LTC impact in life less stressful		
18	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.		
19	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.		
20	Positive impact on our family, but only if you can deliver a real choice of the local hospital for outpatient services. In my experience you only get an appointment at one of the current hospitals if you ask for it - the default is always Gloucester.		
21	positive ot not have to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham for some investigations and for outpatients clinics.		
22	I think this is a wonderful opportunity to innovate and transform services for the Forest of Dean. Let's get it right. Do not let COVID swallow up the much needed budget. Do not let the vision be reduced to 'the basics' do it right, do it well!!! One chance!		
23	I am strongly concerned about the overall reduction in number of inpatient beds for the Forest of Dean given the growing population.		
24	I have parents in their mid 60s who may well have need of inpatient services in the future obviously it is a concern if beds are not available. If the outpatient services we currently use at the Dilke or Lydney are no longer available that wouldn't be good.		
25	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.		
26	It will not be as easy or quick to get to essential accident and emergency services from the Sothern parts of the Forest.....and only having a single facility will mean increased waiting times.		
27	You are proposing a worst service for an increased number of customers		
28	It's too far from Lydney for the more vulnerable residents of Lydney to get to.  This will put more pressure on Gloucester Royal.		
29	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.		
30	Further to travel for me, and I am fearful that I would not be able to access services if I become unable to drive		
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 am highly concerned at the thought of having to get to Cinderford for Urgent care, especially for those without their own transport.		

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33	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.		
34	Lydney nearest minor injuries the next nearest one is the Gwent		
35	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..		
36	I believe it would have a negative impact on my family and the general populace due to lack of access to care. Cinderford is closer to Gloucester and should not have investment where as Lydney is more accessible and further to any other hospital.		
37	I am concerned about access to Urgent Care and diagnostic facilities in particular		
38	Time to get to the hospital.. travelling to Cinderford in the winter months..		
39	Positive wouldn't haven't to travel to Gloucester were half the time the mess things up us		
40	I will in all probability go straight to Gloucester instead of waiting around in an already overcrowded new hospital		
41	Most of my family do not drive and rely on friends to help out when buses are not available		
42	It will be positive if family members or myself can be nursed closer to home. There is often alot of stress involved with people travelling to Gloucester to see poorly loved ones, staying local is always a relief and friends and family are more likely to offer you lifts etc to visit.		
43	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.		
44	Travel o Cinderford, at any time would not be quick but definitely not in an emergency.		
45	It will be great for my wife and myself because we are in our late 60 s ,		
46	Clearly will not be adequate!!		
47	One hospital is not enough for growing population of the forest		
48	I think there is too few beds, and Steam Mills is a poor location for much of the Forest. I live in littledean and although Steam Mills is close by, the roads are narrow and often parked up making the journey slower than necessary. Having the hospital down there will only make for more traffic. For much of the Forest there is a real lack of transport routes, and public transport is so limited and time consuming the new hospital will be almost inaccessible.		
49	We live in Cinderford so not as affected as those who live further away		
50	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.		
51	We dont need a new hospital my family have used lydney for years and had wonderful service.		
52	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.		
53	Be a lot easier to access		

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54	I will not be able to travel to the hospital at Cinderford if my child is ill, because the drive there from Lydney is horrendous at the best of times, let alone on a cold, dark night - if my husband isn't home, I would have to do the journey alone - I wouldn't risk breaking down etc, so would go straight to Gloucester instead, facing a longer journey alone, parking fees and more.		
55	Cinderford .. for non drivers is a very hard town to reach via public transport .. as there are only a few buses a day		
56	Wouldnt really affect me		
57	Negative. The road is unsuitable for heavy traffic that is likely due to it being through the wood. If emergency vehicles which there would be more of, need to over take there isnt many spots that it safe for them to do this or to pull over without resulting in further dangers. Animals roaming.  Cinderford is already close with good links to Gloucester but the links through Lydney and Cinderford have the makings to be unrealistic. More likely for crashes as tight corners, dips just off the roads wildlife jumping out. Junction at bottom of Cinderford to get to industrial estate is a pain to maneuver and had backed up traffic at rush hour		
58	Inability to access imaging, outpatients or minor injuries particularly in the older age groups		
59	A 25 minute drive to AE could be life or death. Lack of bed provision for the large catchment area.		
60	If my nan was to return to hospital it would be less convenient to visit her, as all of our family are from Lydney.		
61	I presently travel to Bath or Bristol to access child health specialist services. It would have no impact on those but potentially would stop me having to travel to Gloucester for things that are needing low level emergency care such as bit cuts or fractures that presently mean trips to Gloucester after 6pm		
62	Ideal for people that can't drive. Easily accessible for locals. Better than driving 20 miles to the nearest hospital for care.		
63	It's quite dangerous really and scary I've had issues in the night with my kids and knowing you can ring 111 and then go Lydney hospital and see a nurse means your getting care/help so quickly!		
64	LIVES WILL BE LOST AS THE IMPACT OF A PROVISION THAT IS NOT BIG ENOUGH FOR THE GROWING POPULATION, AND ACCESS FOR THE PLD AND VUNRABLE		
65	Longer wait times		
66	Very concerned how I would get to Cinderford		
67	I am a single parent, I don't drive. Buses to Cinderford are few and far between. Lydney needs healthcare available. With the expansion of houses it seems unfathomable that we will lose what we have (which is already limited)		
68	I don't think you could have picked a worse place in the forest to build the hospital. Cinderford is a shocking drive when the weather is bad and doesn't have frequent enough busses.		
69	We need one in Lydney there are more houses every year so we need a hospital		
70	Less beds, more waiting times,		
71	Less chance of a local inpatient bed		
72	I have lived in Lydney for 12 years. I had a son 8 years ago. All 3 of our family have used the services at Lydney, a lot of times in evenings and weekends. When we have had to drive on to Cinderford it has been difficult. We should be building on what we have not scrapping existing buildings and spending money on new sites. I'm all for updating but I'm also for tradition...make do and mend. We have more and more families growing or moving into the area and development plans for the harbour for example yet a lack of thought for developing the hospital we have to service the community. We strongly disagree with the closure of Lydney hospital.		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
73	It won't affect us too much as it will be closer. Other concerns I have would also be what happens to the old buildings as there are already many old buildings left to become eye sores too.		
74	My son has significant learning disability and will never drive . A local hospital and A&E in our own town would be a better option for Lydney		
75	Travelling miles to obtain health care services instead of a two minute journey		
76	If i need to access to a MIU i now have to drive to Cinderford which is causing more pollution, when we should be reducing our pollution level at this very vital time.		
77	Lydney hospital is essential to the early years services in Lydney, for minor injuries, the care homes use it to for minor injuries illness, why would you consider making elderly people from care homes and early years travel to cinderford when we have a perfectly good working hospital, the housing increase is massive now therefore Gloucester and cinderford would not cope with 1 hospital the face we have one in Lydney makes a massive difference.		
78	transport problems, especially for non drivers loss of local heritage would one big hospital be able to cope with having to deal with such a big surrounding area? especially with the amount of housing being built and more being added.		
79	My husband and I are both pensioners and worry if we needed medical help its a long way to Gloucester hospital		
80	I think it's extremely important to local people to keep services local. I do worry about reducing hospitals from 2 to 1 as this could have a negative impact on people who rely on public transport. I am pleased the proposal is cinderford as this seems to be the most central for the forest.		
81	No comment		
82	Positive as hospital local to where we live.		
83	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.		
84	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.		
85	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.		
86	I do not drive and so could not get to Cinderford if I needed a medical facility.		
87	Poor transportation to Cinderford from my area could lead to difficulties getting to Cinderford centre for appointments.		
88	A good local hospital will be positive, but not at the expense of speed, response and location.		
89	Have to travel further for emergency care, we need this unit to bs local		
90	The early closing time of the urgent care department will be negitive for me and my husband as he has a kidney issues and often go into the emergency department at lydney and majority of the time it is past 8pm. Also it a lot busier than you state.		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
91	<p>Positive- I am a student nurse due to qualify in July 2021, this will open up careers on my doorstep! Care close to home,</p> <p>Negative Needs to have longer opening hours to take the strain off Gloucester and make urgent care more accessible for people in the Forest of Dean.</p>		
92	A good a&e with all necessary equipment instead of being sent to Gloucester		
93	They are sure to have to sit around in waiting rooms not designed for any length of stay.		
94	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>		
95	Lack of fair and proper access.		
96	We have just moved to Lydney and we are dismayed to find out that the hospital will close		
97	A real example. My 29 year old was working in Yorkley recently and fell ill with suspected heart attack. He was taken to Lydney which took 5 minutes. Cinderford on a good day would be 20 and in winter could be more like 40 if at all depending on how bad road and weather conditions which could have seriously risked his life		
98	Concerned that minor injuries would be maintained. It has made a huge difference being able to access minor injuries locally, and we have been able to start emergency treatment prior to being transferred to Gloucester on a number of occasions.		
99	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.		
100	Not sure not enough detail to be able to comment		
101	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		
102	Puts the hospital further away from where we live which makes it less accessible than Lydney hospital		
103	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.		
104	Potential for having to be sent elsewhere in the county if inpatient long term care is required due to reduction of bed numbers.		
105	I am worried about getting emergency care when I need it and quickly, as well as reassurance or advice eg head bump. I am worried we wouldn't be able to get help over night. There are no positives. The location, reduced hours and beds will be catastrophic.		
106	<p>We have used Lydney Minor injuries clinic on several occasions. A 10 minute drive is doable if you are bleeding/ in pain etc. 30 minutes will be a problem.</p> <p>Provision of outpatient services with parking will be a lot easier when taking people, especially elderly relatives, to appointments.</p>		
107	Positive - my father has had to use Dylke and Tewkesbury in last year, we have spent time chasing around for services which hopefully would be supported by this new hospital		



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		Response Percent	Response Total
108	This is a difficult one. I can see that it could benefit people with the technology that could be provided but also are beds going to be sacrificed. Is this going to provide enough care for all forest inpatients The impact for me and my family personally will depend on how the building and carpark will be situated as our house and business is closest to the proposed site		
109	Negative impact as only one member of my family drives and Cinderford is hard to get to in poor weather		
110	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.		
111	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		
112	Easy access to minor injury services currently with an excellent eye service. The roads to the new site in Cinderford are not that good. Particularly navigating valley road with badly parked traffic.		
113	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		
114	It will mean services are closer to home. It is still a long way for emergency treatment.		
115	Positive - we will have a healthcare unit fit for purpose		
116	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		
117	No need to travel miles to attend hospital		
118	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.		
119	There needs to be provision in the Lydney area for minor injuries, otherwise the Cinderford site could be overwhelmed.		
120	Successful care depends on good communication & prompt action by all agencies. Experience proves that the patient & carer are often left struggling because of delays.		
121	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.		
122	A single upto date facility that caters for most of our needs without going to Gloucester or Wales.		
123	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		

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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	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.		
126	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.		
127	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.		
128	Negative as we will have to travel 10 miles to the hospital. There will NOT be enough inpatient beds to support the population.		
129	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		
130	Living in Lydney, this would seem to be completely negative in terms of capability, capability and access.		
131	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.		
132	Mostly as above, really urgent care will probably involve a call to a GP, then an ambulance to an A&E or similar.		
133	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.		
134	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.		
135	No real impact either way at this time		
136	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.		
137	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.		
138	I do not believe that any of your proposals would have any impact on me and my family, positive or negative.		
139	No thought has gone into providing cottage hospitals to all members of the community.		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
140	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.		
141	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.		
142	For us, in Lydney, it would be quicker for us to travel to Gloucester, Bristol or Newport than the other side of Cinderford. Closing Lydney or the Dilke is ridiculous and detrimental to the health of local people.		
143	<p>The things I have attended hospital for in the last two years have been 1. Colonoscopy 2. Breast screening 3. Having a mole checked.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>I don't know whether there are plans to do colonoscopies at the new hospital: it was not mentioned specifically.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>I am not sure of the impact if I had some sort of medical emergency.</p>		
144	Less beds,difficult to travel to,angry that proper consultation should have involved the question-'Are you for the closure of our 2 excellent hospitals to be replaced by a new one?'		
145	Positive: Local, excellent, convenient care from medical/nursing staff as we now have for our family and friends! Negative: NIL		
146	Not enough inpatient care so more people have to go to grh and need longer m I u opening hours or more people have to go to a overcrowded ae at grh		
147	My mother is 80, does not drive has no chance of accessing a new hospital in Cinderford. All 3 hospitals are required to keep the population of the Forest of Dean safe.		
148	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	148
		skipped	25

**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%	123
1	Make the urgent care services more accessible with better opening times.		
2	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.		
3	Closure of the other facilities within the district would always be met with a negative force.		

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4	If you are going to combine to one site you should be offering more beds to meet the areas needs and increasing services in the area eg maternity services, specialists etc		
5	I can not see that there would be any negative impact.		
6	I can only think of the positives.		
7	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		
8	Please keep the dilke as an NHS service of some sort or a hospice		
9	Lack of beds and a stroke unit . With an ageing population both should be available as nearest stroke unit is Dursley. How the hell are people supposed to commute to Dursley		
10	Don't close two hospitals and replace them with a smaller hospital!		
11	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.		
12	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		
13	Keep both Lydney and the Dilke open and reopen Cheltenham A&E as a start. If you insist on building a new hospital and spending money then you should think about only closing one of the local hospitals in the forest (e.g. The Dilke) and replacing that one with this new site with more inpatient beds. Then increased urgent care services and opening hours including an out of hours clinic with GP on site all night/weekend.		
14	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?		
15	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.		
16	As above - you need to ensure a good range of outpatient services is available and maintained. We have previously selected outpatient services in Lydney and the appointment is then cancelled (by hospital) and reinstated in Gloucester.		
17	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.		
18	Increase bed count!		
19	Try to offer as many of the current service available as possible on the new site.		
20	More end of life beds		
21	By providing a complimentary facility in the southern part of the Forest.		
22	Leave us with a hospital in Lydney		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
23	<p>Don't put it in Cinderford it's to far away.</p> <p>I also have asthma and on more than one occasion have needed emergency treatment at Lydney Hospital. In fact on one occasion we called for an ambulance and none were available and my wife got me to Lydney when I was in status.</p> <p>I'm sure without Lydney Hospital being open and so close I wouldn't be here now.</p>		
24	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.		
25	Keep Lydney Hospital		
26	By keeping a unit open at Lydney. Cinderford is so hard to get to. Lydney is a massively growing community too, with hundreds of houses being built.		
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	By keeping MIU in lydney and maybe increasing its status go A+E		
30	There should be an urgent care centre in the south of the Forest to provide diagnostics such as xrays and minor injuries		
31	Time and travel fir older people who's family members my be in the hospitals. Number of beds available as the local community is Oder in age so more room for extra patients		
32	ALL your proposals have a detrimental effect on all the people of the forest		
33	Keep the community hospitals		
34	Yes, if the hospital is too small or you don't offer a full range of outpatient services.		
35	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		
36	Keep Lydney hospital open!!		
37	☹️☹️		
38	Keep to several hospitals, or if on is to be built, then it should be sited on the current Dilke Site.		
39	One centralised hospital isn't enough for this area		
40	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.		
41	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.		
42	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..		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
43	Don't close Lydney minor injuries! It is ridiculous that you even considered this a good idea when the new hospital is planned for a very, very rural, hard-to-access area, and will have fewer beds and amenities than the current hospitals		
44	It needs to be in a better location to serve the whole ofc the forest of dean better.		
45	Should turn lydney and th dilk in to care homes		
46	Improve road between parkend and cinderford Stop wildlife roaming free, which in turn will ruin their way of life and cause them harm Lydney is further from gloucester so is easier for a majority of people to get to without the need of extra transport Piece of mind that can access healthcare locally without added pressure of travel times, possible accidents, road works		
47	The creation of a hub in Lydney that houses outpatient clinics, MIU and imaging. Failing this, Coleford is much easier to access and would have made a lot more sense as a 'central' location		
48	Build two hospitals		
49	Keep lydney hospital open or replace it with something new in lydney, as lydney seems to be ever growing yet our healthcare available seems to be reducing.		
50	KEEP BOTH HOSPITAL FOR FAIR ACCESS TO ALL		
51	Keep Lydney Hospital open		
52	Again I am a single parent, buses to the proposed new site in cinderford are few and far between. We can't have restricted access to a hospital, it's not fair. This is a grave concern for many locals.		
53	The forest of Dean needs it's smaller hospitals to remain open they work well.		
54	Have more thought about where the hospital is.		
55	Spend the money on the dilke hospital and update what we have already.		
56	Keep the same number of beds, where do you think the existing patient numbers will go?		
57	Don't close lydney hospital.		
58	The new hospital would actually be closer		
59	Have two hospitals		
60	Dont build the unneeded building		
61	Do not close the two existing hospitals so that people don't have to drive or get in addecuate public transport further afield and build the new hospital in Cioleford so that the people have a community hospital there as well		
62	Do not close Lydney hospital!!!!!!!!!!		
63	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		
64	No comment		
65	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.		
66	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.		
67	save Lydney Hospital please		
68	Keep a hospital in Lydney		



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		Response Percent	Response Total
69	Put a facility at Lydney as well.		
70	Provide more detail on what type of urgent care would be provided in Lydney. Provide more information about local maternity services.		
71	Dont close local units		
72	By opening the urgent care department to 11 pm.		
73	Try to introduce longer opening hours for MIU		
74	Try looking at the community these services are meant to "serve". Including the time and distance for the patients. Locality plays a massive part on patients accessing the services.		
75	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.		
76	By providing what is required..three or at least two hospitals so that fair access can be realised.		
77	Can't travel by car. Unsafe to travel with covid on public transport. Totally isolated		
78	By continuing to provide MIU, Diagnostics and Outpatients at BOTH locations		
79	Parking costs.		
80	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.		
81	Yes travelling a much longer distance for my care needs		
82	By keeping Lydney hospital and the Dilke open		
83	If the hospital does not match the size and services that were available then it is obvious it will be a staging post to move patients onto appointments at GRH & Cheltenham and I have already detailed why this is not an option.		
84	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.		
85	Keep out of hours GP access locally - currently we always have to go to Glos and 111 always refer you there. The shorter minor injuries hours will mean more anxiety and trips to Glos, so this should be open until 11pm. The X-ray department should similarly be open at these times. Transport is the biggest issue.		
86	? Have some urgent care available at Gp surgeries?		
87	No		
88	My husband and I feel that this will have a negative impact on the value of our house. Until we see plans I can not comment on how we should limit this. We also have concerns about the access to our property for us and our customers		
89	The new hospital should be built in either Lydney or Coleford with both locations being better for the community overall		
90	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.		
91	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		

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		Response Percent	Response Total
92	<p>Eye service: commission a service from a local opticians, for urgent eye care review, removal foreign bodies etc. Linked to Cheltenham eye clinic.</p> <p>Minor injuries and illness: commission a service from one or more pharmacies.</p> <p>All would need to be well advertised.</p> <p>On the issue of roads, local council to review the access and impact on Valley road with the new GP surgery as well as flow across to a new hospital.</p>		
93	<p>Ensure not assume transport links - public and volunteer - are sorted out in time for opening.</p> <p>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</p> <p>Design - good bout dementia but be clear hospital will meet needs of others such as restricted mobility, limited/no sight, hard of hearing etc</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p>		
94	No		
95	Open Hospital with wards in Forest of Dean		
96	Please ensure that the ambulance bays are actually big enough for ambulances- unlike other community hospitals		
97	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.		
98	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.		
99	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?		
100	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?		
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	RETHINK THE WHOLE THING. MORE BEDS AND BETTER SITE?		
103	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.		
104	Can only be limited by not building the new hospital.		
105	See above		
106	<p>Update or expand Lydney hospital</p> <p>Increase bed availability for the Forest.</p>		
107	More bed capacity		
108	Keep Lydney Hospital operational.		

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109	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.		
110	Provide urgent care facilities locally, perhaps a nominated GP facility could be updated to include a minor injuries unit.		
111	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		
112	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		
113	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?		
114	Non applicable		
115	Refurbish the Dilke and Lydney hospitals and not build one in Cinderford which we will not be able to access.		
116	Not possible to limit impact. Keep the existing 2 hospitals and supple!ent with a new build.		
117	Leave well alone and update spend the money to update and upgrade our existing to hospitals.		
118	Stop!		
119	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.		
120	Have a proper debate with the Forest people on the subject of closing Dilke and Lydney hospitals.We were never asked this.		
121	NIL ASAP to open		
122	More beds longer m l u		
123	By keeping Lydney Hospital. Most of the equipment there has been supplied by ""The Friends""		
		answered	123
		skipped	50

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		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	147
1	A completely separate site for Coleford/Lydney area and wider community.		
2	I do not think Cinderford is too far for people to go		
3	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.		
4	Talks with Stagecoach and other providers to do a direct link service from the south of the forest to the hospital, stopping the surgeries within these areas, including valley road with a link to the main bus stops and train stations.		
5	One nurse in a&e for the area won't work! Have you visited the local a&e units lately and seem the demand! People waiting for hours and hours is no joke even after being classed as priority! It's the nurses and staff working in the current circumstances I feel for let alone facing the wrath for a new facility trying to cope! But hey you won't care about that either		
6	As I have a care I have never had issues accessing A and E locally, I have used both Cindeford and Lydney from my location, and 9 times out of 10 have been sent on to Gloucester as neither unit have been equipped to deal! Will this be something that will be addressed? Are the going to be able to deal with more complex care?? I am sure that you will never please everyone with regards to location, people will always be unhappy. Making sure that there is a decent bus service might help, but often if urgent care is required people have to get into a car and travel! How many people currently walk into either unit having walked or having travelled only a short way to get there? Unfortunately in order to access most things I have come to the conclusion that you need to have access to transport!		
7	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.		
8	As previously said, I think the Dilke and Lydney should stay open and work with the new hospital.		
9	Better public transport, and hospital transport offered		
10	Leaving it as it is		
11	Maybe a hospital in, say, Lydney?		
12	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.		
13	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.		
14	Urgent care facility in Lydney		
15	Keep Lydney open!		
16	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 ?		
17	the travel is a major part for people, and many don't even have the confidence to travel to Glos, and many depend on friends/family		
18	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.		

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19	Supply mini buses regularly from surrounding towns		
20	GPs need to be able to address minor illnesses. However, for minor injuries it is a long way from the southern areas of the Forest, such as Tutshill and Sedbury. Is there potential to incorporate this service into one of the GP practices in Lydney? I understand that this kind of service works well in Winchcombe.		
21	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.		
22	There has only been one since March 2020 people have been forced to look at other ways to manage their minor injuries. Invest in your community teams expand rapid response again developing a multidisciplinary approach to management.....		
23	Revamp the existing Lydney Hospital - close the wards (providing additional beds are put into the Cinderford site to replace them) and maintain an MIU on days.		
24	Urgent care is always difficult in the forest of dean especially after normal hours. Currently you dont have many options and you usually have to trek to Gloucester or wait for sometime for someone to attend at your home. Obviously if you have no transport this is even more difficult as public transport links are completely inadequate.		
25	Urgent care facilities could be provided at Lydney or at an improved healthcare centre/GP on the A48 north of lydney. Eg Blakeney or Newnham.		
26	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.		
27	By providing a complimentary facility with urgent care and small interventions, this could be part of a larger GP practice.		
28	Improve, not make worse what we have.		
29	Regular transport links from all over the forest area will be required to Cinderford.  There's obviously a need for a hospital in Lydney due to the increasing number of residents moving in to the area.  Better GP's in the area. The Dr's at Severn Banks should be struck off as they refer patients to specialists too late.  If they move the hospital to Cinderford patients who can't get there just won't bother going.		
30	Keep Lydney Hospital		
31	Would a smaller urgent care facility be possibility in the south of the Forest, maybe linked to an existing surgery?		
32	As said before, the Lydney unit must be kept open. Urgent care needs to be close & easily accessible. Public transport to Cinderford is poor at best, and even if you have your own car the roads around Cinderford are dangerous, especially if you are stressed with a poorly family member or work colleague, & also during the winter. Lydney is a rapidly growing area and has better public transport		
33	Transport to Cinderford is almost non existent.		
34	Keep Lydney open ,		

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35	Keep the hospital we already have in Lydney.		
36	By keeping urgent care unit in Lydney.		
37	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.		
38	Think this is a rubbish idea.. just because of the location.. Coleford would of been better fir the Forest of Dean.. and I live in lydney just due to the times it takes to drive the forest roads..		
39	Not so far to travel and be much better for the elderly and people who don't have transport		
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	If you propose one hospital for the forest of dean I suggest you supply transport for every appointment		
42	If you had a practice in Lydney that provided some diagnostic and long day injury care people would feel less bothered that an in patient stay would be in Cinderford.		
43	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 ?		
44	Keep Lydney open!!		
45	AE department		
46	Keep the Dilke and Lydney		
47	It is not easy for people to travel to Cinderford in an emergency if they don't drive. Having a hospital in more than one location makes life easier.		
48	The mulit sites that we already have is the best answer. There is no one site in the forest that can be easil accessed by the whole Forest. Lydney to Cinderford is not a quick or easy journey, and getting a bus from somewhere like Newham or Westbury to Steam Mills is not very easy!		
49	Lydney hospital should be retained		
50	They will have to travel further and may have a bus journey of 90 minutes.		
51	Already answered this.		
52	Continue to use our existing hospitals and also have this new one to support population increases		
53	Alot easier if u dont drive		
54	By keeping Lydney open. There is nothing you can do that would make the night-time journey there safer for a lone woman and her sick child! And in winter, forget about it! It would be impossible to get there without a 4x4		
55	Keep lydney hospital open ..especially miu		
56	Have a place further down the A48 not in the forest that is easy to navigate for the less confident or elderly. Lydney hospital able to asses urgent care 8am-8pm Spread the services instead if making people needing to travel 71sh miles(cinderford) or 15ish miles (gloucester) and pay higher parking for a 10min appointment		



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57	Hub in Lydney containing MIU and radiology		
58	Build a second hospital in Lydney		
59	There needs to be multiple facilities across the forest, as it is not the small community it once was which could previously cope with the current services. We have so many additional housing estates and people are more likely to move here to commute now the severn bridge is closed.		
60	Better links with transport are required throughout the forest for those who have no personal transport. The transport doesn't always connect the smaller villages to the towns and cinderford is very difficult to near impossible to reach from the outlying areas of the district.		
61	Keep the hospitals we have at the moment open? Often we don't have much ambulance cover either in the first of Dean so they send trained firefighters. They are wonderful and brilliant but surely when you need an ambulance or hospital and firefighters arrive they are limited what they can do and it's risking lives of local people. It's not good enough. Not that long ago I waited 40 minutes for an ambulance and it ended coming from Wales instead of Gloucester.		
62	KEEP BOTH HOSPITALS		
63	I believe it will be much more busy and waiting times will be much longer.		
64	By keeping Lydney hospital open		
65	Urgent care around the Forest firstly needs more doctors at emergency departments. I have found myself being taken straight to Gloucester by ambulance because of the lack of facilities around here.		
66	Alot of low income families without their own transport having to find a way of getting to Cinderford to seek urgent medical attention doesn't work.		
67	No transport to Cinderford Nearer to them		
68	A transport plan to involve the dilke hospital.		
69	Not appicable		
70	Keep the hospitals we have and develop them.		
71	A dedicated hospital bus service for the hospital		
72	Have two hospitals		
73	Keep Lydney open and have walk in facilities oncorporated		
74	Keep Lydney hospital open offering the same and further services to patients, improve the facilities and invest in the future of our health.		
75	Keep Lydney open		
76	again transport, if something was urgent you couldn't expect people to use public transport if they have no other family etc the number of patients that would attend, would the hospital be able to cope as the hospital will cover such a big area there is alot of elderly people living in Lydney who have been here years, surely it would be better for them to be in hospital closer to their family than in Cinderford to be able to conveniently visit them.		
77	I don't know how but e should have access to it		
78	Increase public transport connections.		

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79	The publicising of NHS 111 first in a few weeks will enable better access to urgent care as long as this proposal has been linked to the service redesign with the access to bookable slots being increased. I'd also like to understand what plans there are to increase SDEC/ A&G services in order to reduce the need for onward referral to secondary care. In particular the proposal should consider the public perception of the impact on paed's, and develop a 'children's' response which hasn't been mentioned within this. Neither has mental health crisis care.		
80	The issue is the location. We are losing a designated recreational facility which will have a detrimental effect on young persons. There is a perfectly good site available next to the new doctors surgery on lower Valley Road which could enable a more co-hesive service for patients.		
81	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.		
82	By keeping Lydney Hospital open. It is the only sensible option. Not that common sense is often used in these consultations.		
83	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?		
84	Keep a MIU in Lydney		
85	Need better transportation links.		
86	Keep a minor injuries unit and birth unit in the south of the Forest.  Improve ambulance coverage		
87	There is insufficient facilities now, they should not be cut more		
88	Either reconsider the location of the hospital to coleford as public transport is more readily available. Or keep Lydney minor injuries unit open for urgent care needs as there lots of villages that use lydney. If they are forced to go to cinderford. It will take the same time as going to Bristol or Gloucester. Which will not relieve the bigger hospitals as you hope.		
89	Specific bus routes from lydney to cinderford hospital		
90	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 !!!!!!!		
91	Forest based ambulance service		
92	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.		
93	Keep lydney and dilke open...common sense...		
94	Don't close Lydney hospital		
95	It can't. Cinderford is in worse possible location in the middle of nowhere with no train and limited bus service as well as not being easy for car journeys either		
96	Public transport is hard to access. Consideration for those with no transport.		
97	You need a new shuttle bus service between Tutshill and Cinderford which can visit villages such as St Briavels on request.		

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98	Specific forest phonenumber - (not 111) to trained local staff, who can direct appropriate and timely care to the patient. Both timely and appropriate are key here. Extended opening hours at a doctor surgery, care hub or healthcentre with a specific urgent care facility. Extended opening hours and overhaul of primary care so that patients do not need to wait as long to see a doctor, so that some cases do not become urgent either in reality or in the mind of the patient.		
99	Keep 2 hospitals		
100	By keeping Lydney and the Dilke hospital open so all areas of the Forest of Dean can access a local hospital in an emergency		
101	Keep Lydney and the Dilke open.		
102	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.		
103	The hospital should be based more centrally, like Lydney where there is more housing development and it is also the furthest point from Glos in the Forest. Tbh we'd carry on to Glos, rather than make our way to Cinderford for out of hours.		
104	Facility in one of the Lydney surgeries		
105	As far as I can see from this booklet you propose to reduce opening hours for urgent care. This is not something I can understand. My children are older now but when they were young I needed help due to them having high temperature in the evening, shallow things and falls. I can imagine that people caring for the elderly also will need the urgent care to be accessible until at least 11pm		
106	As previously stated a hospital in Lydney (as present) or Coleford would be more accessible		
107	By keeping an urgent care department open at Lydney Hospital		
108	As above, but not sure who or how it could be provided unless part of Lydney hospital is kept open Eg current outpatients department		
109	Commission eye services from an optician and minor injury illness from one or more pharmacies, Lydney and Coleford.		
110	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		
111	I think it's easier with 2 hospitals. As it is at the moment.		
112	Better bus services, a park and ride area?		
113	Perhaps a second UC dept is a good idea in the South Forest---- ideally on the A48		
114	By opening new hospital it would localise NHS care for the community		
115	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.		
116	As stated previously a MIU needs to be located in the south of the district to support the rapidly growing population.		
117	Via GP surgeries or a walk-in unit		
118	Increase GP availability or 111 services. Some may find it quicker to go to Gloucester		

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119	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.		
120	Dial Ride services if they have no personal transport		
121	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		
122	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.		
123	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.		
124	Keep the local hospitals.		
125	The Urgent Response Team will need to be resourced sufficient to the new duties.		
126	Urgent care facilities should continue in Lydney and Cinderford		
127	Urgent care should be available in Lydney up grade the hospital		
128	Keeping Lydney Hospital operational.		
129	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.		
130	As above		
131	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.		
132	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.		
133	A local hub in the south of the Forest would be beneficial for initial urgent care rather than having to travel to Cinderford		
134	See above		
135	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.		
136	Better public transport links would be the most beneficial help. As well as a more frequent time table.		
137	Keep the two we already have. Your proposal is more about saving money and not providing a full service to the local communities.		
138	Keep the existing hospitals and supplement with a new build		

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139	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.		
140	Leave things as they are or improve the services already provided.		
141	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.		
142	Invest the 11 million in the services we already have. That sum of money would make a huge difference to the 2 very good hospitals we already have.		
143	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!!		
144	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.		
145	At the new hospital		
146	At least 2 hospitals are essential for the Forest of Dean for urgent care, otherwise we can expect deaths!		
147	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	147
		skipped	26

### Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	109
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	there is an opportunity to provide something more to the community. Having a specialism at the hospital and not just respite care would go along way. In the Forest of Dean, everyone knows if you were sent to the Dilke for inpatient care, you were going there to be with nature to say goodbye to your love-ones. Is there a reason why respite care couldn't remain in this facility and talks couldn't be had with the landown to make this a specialist end of life care unit not just for the residence of the district but the county and use the new hospital as a place life is extended not ended. Cinderford already benefits from having a dialysis unit, why can't the hospital become a place for this type of care. My grandmother spent hours of her life inside the Edward Jenner ward and Lily Brook Ward. Surely a specialist Ward like these would be welcomed within the new hospital.		
4	I better not		
5	I would just like to reiterate that the Forest of Dean needs maternity care locally, please reconsider including a maternity unit in the new hospital. The benefits to the local community would be so fantastic.		

## Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
6	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>		
7	<p>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.</p>		
8	<p>A stroke unit!!!???!!!!!</p>		
9	<p>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?</p>		
10	<p>Capacity, facilities and accessibility are essential considerations, both for today and into the future.</p> <p>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.</p>		
11	<p>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.</p> <p>Where tests can be taken and processed</p>		
12	<p>This proposed plan does not meet the needs of growing population of the forest, especially with new large housing estates being built and increased in the south forest through to the Welsh border</p>		
13	<p>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</p>		
14	<p>I hope this will bring some positivity to Cinderford as it has been at the bottom of the list for many things over the years.</p>		
15	<p>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.</p>		
16	<p>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.</p>		
17	<p>A fantastic opportunity for the Forest - we really need up-to-date buildings to deliver modern healthcare. However, there needs to be a continued commitment to "care closer to home" and real patient choice in order to ensure the hospital remains a vibrant, sustainable centre in the future. Local people will want to support the hospital once it is up and running - as long as it isn't a "white elephant". I have been to the new hospital in Tewkesbury and it is a great facility - love the art work too. We need our new hospital to bring the heritage and history from the two existing hospital sites. We need a local hospital that we can all be proud of. You need to show that the NHS is invested in local services - I'm sure money is tight (particularly in light of the current pandemic) but don't cut corners or give the people of the Forest any less than promised!</p>		

## Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
18	The new hospital should have an in-house pharmacy fully staffed, for patients within the Forest of Dean instead of the 1hr chemist which we currently have on Sundays. The need for a pharmacy is great to stop poorly patients not being able to obtain their required medication without a long trip into Gloucester		
19	The building needs to be sympathetic to the surrounding area.		
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.		
21	The proposal for the Cinderford Hospital sounds well thought out, access needs to be thought out, especially as we are encouraged to reduce our car journeys.....Cinderford is not well served with public transport.		
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	Very concerned that the south of the forest is being abandoned		
24	You are to be commended on your degree of consultation.		
25	One hospital in Cinderford looks ok to someone sitting in an office looking at a map, I agree, but in practice it will not work and people on the forest and surrounding area will be let down and add to the current misery of people trying to get medical care. Gloucester hospital has already had it's workload increased by closing Cheltenham emergency services and would not cope with extra patients from the Lydney/Forest area which could be treated at Lydney.		
26	Invest the money in the existing facilities. Open a 24hour Anand E department to take pressure off Gloucester and ease road congestion		
27	Consider those south of the forest , we might as well go to Gloucester the time it takes to get to Cinderford , with the growing population in Lydney and south !Urgent care should be available !!		
28	Please think of the future!. The forest area is growing. You will be putting the Lydney/ south of the forest at risk and lives will be lost. Your plans will cause undue pressure and harm to people that will not be able to access the proposed provision. Don't take away our hospital!!		
29	It is pointless as you took no notice last time we were asked for an opinion		
30	I have been opposed to the closure of the existing hospitals from the beginning, as have most people i know. You do not listen to us!		
31	Yes please reassure us you can meet thd needs of a growing population		
32	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 !		
33	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 .		
34	Listen to the people for once 😊		
35	We need more than one hospital with more appointments based here so we don't have to travel to Gloucester or Cheltenham. If we are going to have a new hospital it needs to be a fully functional one		



## Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
36	There as been a lot of concern in the Forest about the new hospital and how it will work, and that our concerns have been ignored. Right from the beginning 'locals' preferred a 2 or more site option, but this was never offered nd that has left people feeling like they have been ignored. The public transport links in the Forest are poor and infrequent and this should be sorted before the new hospital is built. I also think an opportunity has been missed to put in a widwife led birthing unit		
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	This decision never should have been made. Forest residents were ignored, and continue to be ignored. This is a complete waste of money that would be better spent improving the current two hospitals. There are those of us who have spent our loves involved with the hospitals and the fundraising for them - how are you going to compensate the people of Lydney for all of their time and money they have put into the hospital over the years?		
41	Only that did actually listen to the views of the public before deciding on cinderford ..??		
42	Lydney is further from gloucester than cinderford and cant access health care as easy as cinderford which is 7miles closer to gloucester than Lydney and lydney is 9miles from Wales which cant access their healthcare because were in england and 19 miles to bristol. Where the local to lydney healthcare		
43	I think you need to seriously consider whether the cinderford facility will be able to cope with the sheer volume of urgent matters.		
44	I think the area should be reconsidered or two seperate facilities should be built each offering services that are accessible that enable people to stay in hospital closer to their homes and families and friends, otherwise they csn be stuck without frequent visitors which doesn't aid recovery etc		
45	Please consider your choices wisely, I know most fo your choices will be determined by costs, but if people die because they live in the wrong end of the forest where you have closed our hospital or people can't get help for emergency accidents quickly, it's not good enough really, our ambulance service is not reliable and we often get firefighters when no ambulances are around and now your taking our hospital too? I feel it's a slippery slope!		
46	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		
47	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.		
48	Do not remove Lydney hospital (which is already severely limited) from us. Think of the local people that is their only safety net.		
49	Leave the current hospitals in place. Stop wasting money on a new one that nobody wants. Plough a bit of money instead on areas of those hospitals that need upgrading.		
50	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.		
51	dont close lydney hospital		
52	I can understand the need but I would just say that I can see what people in Lydney maybe concerned. I think transport would be key, and having a dedicated hospital transport could work. The services seen to be just as good so no concern there. Other than that, as already mentioned the design would be important and then also ensuring that old sites aren't left to rot		
53	Have an easy read document for everyone to understand		
54	No!		

## Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
55	I am extremely concerned that this consultation is yet again lip service to show that you are listening to the community, yet the outcome won't change! We the people of the Forest of Dean weren't given a decent consultation in the first place on the new hospital and the proposed closure of our two community hospitals. The outcome was that people didn't want a new hospital, however this was not listened too, you are reducing 2 to 1 that is a reduction in services that will cause huge issues in the local area especially with Covid, an increase in housing and population!		
56	I think closing the hospital in Lydney will be a negative affect on the local area, and also an insult to local people and it's history. It could do with being slightly updated, but closing it would just anger locals and make problems for people who have no transport to get to Cinderford. It is convenient, easily accessed, and a staple for our community.		
57	It would make me feel secure if I knew there was a good hospital which could cope and not have to rely on getting to Gloucester royal.		
58	I would like to see the option of maternity services brought back to the forest.		
59	All been said, it is fine, to have C'ford; BUT to knock down/shut Lydney is very very ill-advised. It is also a mockery of the enormous amount of money hard-working tax payers have put into all the work in Lydney. What a shame.		
60	I hate these so called consultations when we waste our time giving you our views knowing you will do exactly what you want irrespective of our wishes.		
61	I am sure that this consultation exercise is merely box-ticking - it is already a done deal! As it is going ahead anyway then please please consider providing a chemo/radiotherapy unit where treatment can be given per plan- the trek backwards & forwards to Cheltenham & Stroud is appalling especially for those having to use public transport/volunteers. Please consider a GP hub for Lydney with a range of minor services and prescription filing service up to 8pm (nearest 24hr is Quedgeley!!). We are a growing population here in the South Forest.		
62	Dont try and fix something that is not broken		
63	Does the new hospital have more beds, more facilities? There is nothing wrong with what we have		
64	I urge you to reconsider the location of the new hospital because of the logistics for people to travel there. People who live on the forest of Dean border with Wales. Would be better of travel to Gloucester or Bristol it would be quicker and have better transport links then cinderford does. Also the opening times of the urgent care department need to be reconsidered as many people use the departments after 8pm. The number of beds for inpatients needs to be increased the number 24 just seem to low for the amount of potential patients that could be cared for at this new hospital. Given the new houseing that is being built in pretty much in all towns in the forest of Dean. Also the ageing population of the people of forest of Dean. I fail to see how having only 24 beds 'Fit for the Future'.  Since you have chosen for the new Hospital. As 31% agreed to the new hospital and 55% disagreed to having a new hospital. I ask you to kindly consider whether you have made the right choice in regards to the new hospital that you want and it's location. In my humble opinion given the information that you have provided in the public domain. I think the money would be better being spent on developing the two hospitals that are currently in place. Unless you are willing to make sure the roads are clear from any obstructions no matter the weather for example snow. How do you expect people to travel to cinderford when there is snow on the ground.  Please reconsider what you are planning on doing because once you have started I'm afraid this can't be reversed		
65	07584250312. The number on the previous page is wrong!!		
66	A good quality hospital is needed for the Forest we are a big growing area and Cinderford is one of the hardest to get to in bad weather		

## Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
67	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.		
68	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?		
69	The South of the Forest needs adequate health provision such as a hub providing outpatients services diagnostics and MIU which can be provided at Lydney with its easily accessible location for all modes of transport and to cover the huge increase in housing and population		
70	Will staffing levels be consistent 24/7 ? Will car parking be adequate and remain free?		
71	Designing for dementia, ageing and patients is not just about colour, signage and lighting. Please also consider use of different finishes, pattern, impact of sound, length of corridors, spaces to walk/move, informal wayfinding, reinforcing context, rooms with a view, seating, public transport, type of lighting as well as light levels, control over your environment		
72	Please actually take the public's opinions on the matter as serious and making our voices count for something rather than not even considering our views on the services we use		
73	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.		
74	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.		
75	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.		
76	I think the best option going forward would be looking at a different location for the new hospital one that is more accessible in inclement weather and easier to get to via public transport links		
77	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		
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	Modern facilities fit for the future are an absolute requirement for population in the Forest of Dean, so the new development is welcomed. It will be about developing some local solutions to support people for whom travel across the Forest would be problematic.		
80	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		
81	It would be nice to have a baby clinic to use, and to see my health visitor.		
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	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.		
84	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?		
85	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.		
86	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.		
87	Hopefully the new hospital will have a large car park and a roundabout at the entrance as traffic on the Cinderford road is heavy		
88	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.		
89	I wonder how much influence you have over bus providers to ensure a reliable service across the Forest to get to new hospital site.		
90	Please keep our local hospitals. They are better for the local community.		
91	My best wishes.		
92	The new hospital NEEDS MORE IN PATIENT BEDS.		
93	The propoisal does not meet the needs of the local community		
94	With the increased housing around Lydney, a small Cinderford location is going to be both too small and problematic to access for many.		
95	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.		
96	I applaud the issue of this document and the previous information of a year or so ago		
97	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		
98	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!		
99	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.		

## Anything else you would like to say?

		Response Percent	Response Total
100	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.		
101	I believe this is the way forward and the Forest of Dean needs its own community hospital to serve the local population. Cinderford makes it accessible to most of the local population, but with improve transport links and a regular timetable the hospital would be available to many more people.		
102	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.		
103	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.		
104	[Redacted] A new hospital with half as many beds is just an infringement on the care and the health of the entire Forest.		
105	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.		
106	Feel very let down due to no consultation about whether we would actually be happy to lose our 2 amazing hospitals.They tried to close Dilke 10 years ago.It is not the place of Glos NHS to do this.Dilke belongs to the people of the Forest paid for by the Forest Freemaners.		
107	Looking forward to visiting new hospital, very exciting! Good luck.		
108	We want Lydney Hospital. Its our right. Hands off!		
109	I think far more importance needs to be given to mobility problems - before elderly people become bed or chair bound.		
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1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	158
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
### Which age group are you?

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2	18-25	1.16%	2
3	26-35	11.05%	19
4	36-45	16.86%	29
5	46-55	17.44%	30
6	56-65	27.33%	47
7	66-75	18.60%	32
8	Over 75	6.98%	12
9	Prefer not to say	0.58%	1
		answered	172
		skipped	1

## Are you:

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	A health or social care professional		17.28%	28
2	A community partner/member of the public		77.16%	125
3	Prefer not to say		5.56%	9
			answered	162
			skipped	11


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

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	No		63.74%	109
2	Mental health problem		7.02%	12
3	Visual Impairment		4.09%	7
4	Learning difficulties		1.17%	2
5	Hearing impairment		5.26%	9
6	Long term condition		17.54%	30
7	Physical disability		10.53%	18
8	Prefer not to say		2.34%	4
9	Other (please specify):		6.43%	11
			answered	171
			skipped	2




Other (please specify): (11)

1	Anxiety
2	
3	My dad has Parkinson's and also has Nystagmus so can't drive
4	I care for some one disabled due to stroke
5	N/A
6	Auto immune disease
7	Main carer
8	Diabetes and fibromyalgia too
9	Old Age!
10	Old age
11	Lynch syndrome (HNPCC)

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

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		100.00% 173
2	No		0.00% 0
3	Prefer not to say		0.00% 0
		answered	173
		skipped	0





**Which best describes your ethnicity?**

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	White British		94.22% 163
2	White Other		0.00% 0
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		2.89% 5
8	Other (please specify):		2.89% 5
		answered	173
		skipped	0




Other (please specify): (5)

1	White English
2	N/A
3	Human
4	White, with possible Irish.
5	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		31.40%	54
2	Buddhist		0.00%	0
3	Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Methodist and other denominations)		60.47%	104
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		7.56%	13
9	Other (please specify):		0.58%	1
			answered	172
			skipped	1
Other (please specify): (1)				
1	N/A			






### Are you:

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Male		29.65%	51
2	Female		68.60%	118
3	Other		0.00%	0
4	Prefer not to say		1.74%	3
			answered	172
			skipped	1





### Do you identify with your gender as registered at birth?

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		96.49%	165
2	No		0.00%	0
3	Prefer not to say		3.51%	6
			answered	171
			skipped	2

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

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Heterosexual or straight		84.71%	144
2	Gay or lesbian		0.59%	1
3	Bisexual		2.94%	5
4	Other		1.76%	3
5	Prefer not to say		10.00%	17
			answered	170
			skipped	3

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

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		2.35%	4
2	No		84.71%	144
3	Prefer not to say		1.18%	2
4	Not applicable		11.76%	20
			answered	170
			skipped	3