









His Majesty King Charles III and The Queen Consort Camilla hosted a reception on Wednesday 1 February at Buckingham Palace to celebrate the contribution of East and South-East Asian communities to the United Kingdom to the arts, media, fashion, business, and healthcare.

Consultant cardiologists Dr Manish Gandhi and Dr Ash Kotecha, and clinical nurse manager Edmond Hernaez attended from the Royal Devon to represent healthcare professionals.

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**Operating theatres careers event - Saturday 11 March, 9am-1pm, Heavitree Hospital, Exeter**

**Recruitment event, healthcare support workers - Saturday 18 March, 9am-1pm, RILD Building, RD&E (Wonford), Exeter**

**Recruitment event, newly registered nurses - Saturday 18 March, 9am-1pm, RILD Building, RD&E (Wonford), Exeter**

To find out more about all these events, register your interest or secure an interview [please visit our careers website.](#)

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## **RD&E Wonford emergency department's new entrance now open**

Wonford emergency department (ED) opened on Monday 13 February. The entrance is no longer through the main hospital site, but via the entrance on Church Hill, which is where it was before the works started.

The new entrance and waiting areas, alongside other developments, will help to accommodate the increasing number of people accessing our emergency and urgent care services.

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department over the coming months [here](#).

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## **First baby receives life-saving gene therapy on NHS**

A 19-month-old baby girl called Teddi has become the first child in the UK to receive a life-saving gene therapy treatment for a fatal disorder.

The diagnosis was provided by a rapid gene test delivered by the NHS South West Genomic Laboratory, part of the national NHS Genomic Medicine Service. It resulted in Teddi getting treatment via a pioneering stem cell therapy and means she is now a happy, healthy toddler, with no signs of the devastating disease she was born with.

Led by the Royal Devon, the new pioneering rapid whole genome sequencing service has been developed in collaboration with the world-leading genomics research groups at the University of Exeter, alongside clinicians and academics worldwide.

[Read the full story here.](#)

## **Royal Devon rated highly in Care Quality Commission maternity survey**

Each year, health care regulators, the Care Quality Commission (CQC), run a survey which looks at the experience of women accessing our maternity services.

Trust wide we scored higher than the national average in all areas of the survey, with our Northern services placing in the top 20% for all 59 questions. We are really pleased people are positive about our services - well done to our teams.

Read the full survey results here <https://www.cqc.org.uk/publication/survey>





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## **Installation of new bus shelters underway across RD&E Wonford (RILD, PEOC, and main entrance)**

Work has begun to install new bus shelters across the RD&E Wonford (RILD, PEOC, and the main entrance). The upgrade is expected to be completed by the end of March 2023.

The upgraded shelters will offer increased seating and standing capacity, including a wheelchair space. The main entrance will increase from six to approximately 25, while RILD and PEOC will increase from three to approximately 12 - making the shelters more accessible for both the public and colleagues.

Meanwhile, temporary bus stops will be in place, with clear directions of how to find these sign-posted at each location. Please click here for [more details and a map of the](#)

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## Share your memories of North Devon District Hospital (NDDH) over the years.

As we continue to develop our plans to redevelop North Devon District Hospital as part of our commitment to hear your memories of NDDH.

Opening in 1979, the hospital has been serving people nearly half a century.

Do you remember the hospital being built? Perhaps you used to work at the hospital in the early days? What are your memories of the hospital?

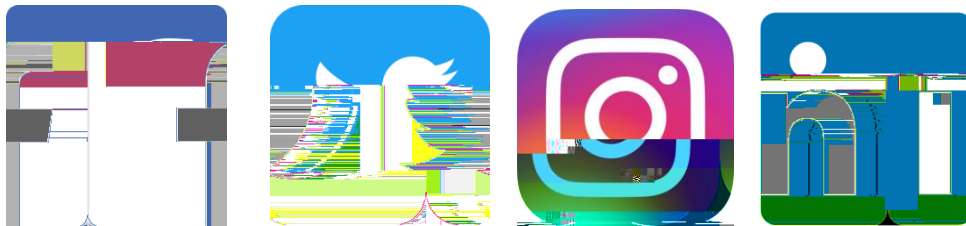
pictures to: [rduh.ourfuturehospitalnorthernservices@nhs.net](mailto:rduh.ourfuturehospitalnorthernservices@nhs.net)

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