



# TARPORLEY

## WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL TRUST

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Welcome to our Autumn newsletter 2023. It has been a summer of progress and development at Tarporley War Memorial Hospital, since its transition in 2022 when the Trustees cemented a partnership with the Countess of Chester Hospital Trust (CoCH). Here are some of the highlights.

## Services & Facilities at TWMH



We are proud to report that TWMH has been welcoming and treating patients using the new facilities for most of this year. The list of services continues to grow, and community feedback is extremely positive. A reminder of the services now available:

- Ultrasound
- Physiotherapy
- Children's therapy team
- Neurotherapy team (see spotlight)
- Podiatry, doppler, leg ulcer and dressing clinics
- Community midwives' and health visitor open advice clinics
- Diabetes education group
- GP minor surgeries
- AAA (abdominal aortic aneurysm) screening
- Private counselling/therapy services
- Autism and ADHD assessments
- Pelvic floor clinics
- Rapid Response and Hospital at Home

### Spotlight on: Neurotherapy Services

"The Neurotherapy Team provides rehabilitation to patients with neurological conditions, including stroke and longer-term conditions such as Multiple Sclerosis and Parkinson's Disease. As well as being an out-patient facility for patients to attend both individual 1:1 treatment sessions and group activities, the hospital is also used as a base for staff who then carry out home visits to patients in the surrounding areas. The TWMH Charitable Trust has provided additional funding for specialist equipment to enhance this important service and more is planned.

We currently run several groups at TWMH including Parkinson's Disease Class, Fatigue Management and Pilates. Plans to expand include Strength & Balance Class, Multiple Sclerosis Class and Upper Limb Class.

Additionally, next year we plan to introduce gardening groups where patients can relearn movement and balance through gardening. We also have plans to collaborate with the Stroke Association to run some information groups in the future. We look forward to seeing more and more community facilities for all ages in the new year."

*Debbie Martin, Team Leader, Neurotherapy Team.*



## Reaching out to our Community



Along with our Open Evening in June and AGM in November, we have also been successfully reaching out to our community throughout the year. We were delighted to attend Tarporley U3A to provide an update, as well as Tarporley Carnival and a local Health and Wellbeing event. We thank everyone for their interest and support as we continue to promote the developments at TWMH.



# Meet the Team



**Andy Chittenden**

**Chair of the Trustees**

“At the open evening in June, we reached another significant milestone where we welcomed members of our community into TWMH to experience the truly inspiring new clinical and treatment spaces, including a dedicated counselling room. It was a defining marker that truly demonstrated the power of partnership, where community and specialists come together to make a real difference in a way that is unique and specific to local needs.”



## Open evening June 2023

The Trustees continue to research areas of community healthcare needs where the Trust can truly make a difference to local initiatives. We are determined that our funds will continue to be used to support local healthcare projects. We will **not** provide funding to support the NHS where we believe that funding should come from government. However, we **will** support the development of facilities at the hospital as well as community healthcare initiatives that enhance patient care. We hope our many valued supporters will continue to help us in working towards achieving these objectives.

**Helena Harding**

**Newly Appointed Trustee**



“I live locally and am a passionate supporter of the hospital and the benefits it brings to Tarporley and the surrounding villages. I am a qualified banker and HR Fellow with many years’ experience in the Banking, Projects and the Nuclear Industry, as well as having sat on numerous Boards as a NED. I am excited to join TWMH Trust at such an interesting time in its evolution and I look forward to using my experience to make a real difference to my local community.”

**Lauren O’Neill**

**Newly Appointed Trustee**



“Having recently moved to the area, I am delighted to join the board of trustees and look forward to supporting the Trust and the wider community. I plan to utilise my experience in Aviation and Procurement, and share a different perspective to support the Trust in its exciting next chapter.”

## Working closely with our Community



We are working in partnership with stakeholders to utilise our hospital facilities for the benefit of our community. Our local first responders from the North West Ambulance Service now have space within the hospital to store equipment, and are working with us to promote training to develop critical skills within the community. A fantastic example of this has been the delivery of free CPR training at TWMH throughout the summer months. Since July, 166 local people have already received this invaluable training and additional sessions will be held throughout the winter months. Further initiatives planned (subject to demand) include: partnering with Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) to deliver free screening sessions; and working with the Alzheimer’s Society to develop ‘Dementia Friendly Tarporley’.

## In recognition of the Campbell family

We were pleased to fund the refurbishment of the Campbell room this summer, creating a comfortable and welcoming space for counselling sessions. The room is dedicated to the Campbell family in recognition of their support and commitment to TWMH over several generations.



## Finally, and most importantly...

**A big thank you** to all our loyal supporters for your continued support and generous donations, especially during the last couple of difficult years. TWMH has played such an important role in the health and wellbeing of our community since 1919 and we hope that its new evolution will see it going from strength to strength.

To receive news of developments throughout the year as they happen, please follow us on our Facebook page at [facebook.com/TWMHospital](https://facebook.com/TWMHospital).

