

## I live in Grimsby – how will this improve my care?

**24/7 Emergency Department (A&E) will continue to be provided in Scunthorpe and more than 93 out of 100 patients in Scunthorpe's Emergency Department will continue to receive all their care in Scunthorpe.**

The proposed changes would **improve the quality of care** we can provide for everyone no matter where they live.

The way services are currently organised means that **we are not meeting national standards** – for example, we do not provide 7-day care in all services. This means that a patient arriving at Scunthorpe or Grimsby Hospital on a Friday may be admitted and wait until Monday or Tuesday to have their specialist review because there are not enough specialist doctors to cover both units in Scunthorpe and Grimsby and they do not provide specialist cover over the weekends.

Under the proposed model, patients would be seen more quickly by the specialist and receive the treatment they need without delay.

We believe the proposal will:

- Help more patients to be seen and treated more quickly and stay in hospital for less time
- Improve the quality of urgent and emergency care, trauma and inpatient paediatric care and ensure patients have access to the most highly skilled professionals when needed, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Ensure services are sustainable, safe and of high quality for the long term
- Address critical shortages in workforce by organising our teams more effectively
- Improve training and development opportunities and help us to find and keep the workforce we need for the future.

### **Is there space at Grimsby Hospital for the extra patients?**

Most patients would continue to be seen and treated in Scunthorpe, only around 14 per day would be impacted by the proposed changes. We have modelled the likely impact of the change to make sure the right number of staff, beds and equipment would be available at both Diana Princess of Wales Hospital in Grimsby and Scunthorpe General Hospital to treat the number of patients that we would expect to see at each hospital in the future. Approximately £16million of investment would be required to refurbish or expand clinical areas to accommodate the services that are proposed to be brought together. This investment is available to deliver this change.