

## Project News

# DARTMOUTH HEALTH & WELLBEING CENTRE

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### Progress Since Last Update:

The external wall construction is now complete and the roof joists, roof insulation and roof covering have also been finished. Boarding has been finished with the insulation board and waterproof membrane in place.

The car park groundworks have re-commenced and our next main area of focus is on getting the building watertight by installing the windows so that we can start fitting it out internally.



*External view of the building*



*View of the car park from the roof of the H&WBC*

### Significant News:

As we have shared with you in previous newsletters, the construction industry has been struggling with supply of materials and workforce, following Brexit and the pandemic. Until recently, we have been able to stay on track with our schedule for the project, but we are now starting to experience a delay.

We are working with the builders and all our partners to identify what the impact of delays will be on the overall programme, and any actions we can take to pull back any lost time. We will keep you informed of progress through this newsletter.

## Update on progress with a community bid for the former hospital site

As many of you may already know, a community bid to buy the former hospital site in Dartmouth is making good progress. At a meeting of Dartmouth Town Council on Monday 28 February, councillors selected a preferred bidder to act as a development partner in a community bid for the former hospital site in the town.

We and the council are both keen for the community bid to succeed, and are now working together through all the detailed legal and financial considerations.

As we have previously shared with you, we need to sell the site to fund our contribution to the new Health and Wellbeing Centre.

## Unlocking potential for young people and their communities in Devon

gbpartnerships, the development partner for the new Dartmouth Health and Wellbeing Centre, has recently provided funding for Space Youth Service - a Devon based youth charity.

Space are making an active difference to the lives of thousands of young people across Devon and their communities by delivering professional youth work, community projects and other services to ensure young people have the best opportunities to succeed.

There are more young people than ever that need Space's help, and gbpartnerships foundation is proud to support this critical work, believing in the potential of all young people, no matter their circumstances.

Jennefer Whitley, Space's Head of Innovation & Growth commented: "We are incredibly grateful for this funding from gbpartnerships foundation which has been used to provide young people from all backgrounds the chance to experience things they've never done before, helping to increase their self-confidence, self-esteem, build new friendships and aspirations."

Funding from the gbpartnerships foundation has been used across eight of Space's youth centres and Chances Alternative Education School (in Dawlish) to contribute towards activities, trips, visits, support a residential trip and activities for street-based youth work in Dartmouth and Teignmouth during February Half Term.

Find out more about Space here: [www.spaceyouthservices.org](http://www.spaceyouthservices.org)



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