

News Release

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Dr Telford to meet Newry and Mourne community

Dr Anne Marie Telford, Director of the Daisy Hill Hospital Pathfinder project has invited local community and voluntary groups, service users, carers and public representatives to meet with her.

Last month the Southern Health Trust approved plans to develop proposals for urgent and emergency care in Newry and Mourne and Dr Telford was appointed to oversee this work.

Dr Telford stresses that the community must be central to the process; “I want to ensure the widest possible involvement of people who live in the Newry and Mourne area and who use these important services.

“I have therefore written to a wide range of interested parties and I am keen to meet with as many people as possible during the first week in August 2017. At these initial talks, I would like people to tell me how best we can work together to develop a long term plan which will stabilise, safeguard and sustain local emergency care services.

“I want to ensure strong community representation on the Pathfinder group and the various sub groups that will support the project. Full and inclusive community participation will be fundamental to the success of the project, and the input of service users and carers will be a major part of the process.

“As a final report on the outcome of the project and recommendations are due in November this year it’s important that we progress this work as soon as possible. I have therefore invited people to arrange a meeting with me at any of the following venues and I look forward to working with the community on this exciting project over the coming months.”

Wednesday 2 August	Kilkeel Health Centre Conference Room 1st floor	9am to 6pm
Thursday 3 August	Daisy Hill Hospital Nurses Home Boardroom	9am to 7pm
Friday 4 August	Crossmaglen Community Centre Training Room 1st floor	9am to 6pm

To book a 30 minute meeting with me please contact Anna Donnelly on Telephone 028 3756 0015 or e-mail anna.donnelly@southerntrust.hscni.net

Please [click here](#) to view a short video explaining the purpose of the meeting.

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Notes to Editors:

Dr Anne-Marie Telford is an experienced public health doctor who worked within the Southern area for over 20 years. Dr Telford has been involved with major regional and local improvement projects, including the reconfiguration of cancer services, the roll-out of the Diabetic Retinopathy Screening Programme, and the introduction of digital radiography.

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