

# Royal Surrey Supporter

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*News for our partners, members and communities*



**"Get tested", ex-prostate cancer patients spread the word on the importance about testing**

To highlight Movember and the importance of detecting prostate cancer early, a team of Royal Surrey Urology consultants came up with a ‘fan-tache-tic’ idea to raise ‘hair-awareness’ about getting tested.

The team who work at the Stokes Centre for Urology invited a group of 12 ex-prostate cancer patients back to the hospital to don a Movember moustache and try using the robot simulator and dry lab surgery training equipment.

The men, who have all had radical prostatectomies within the last year, are keen to spread the word about the importance of getting tested for this ‘silent tumour’. [Read more about this story here.](#)

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## In the news



### **Milford Hospital set to welcome new diagnostic centre**

A new Community Diagnostic Centre is to be built at Milford Hospital with work getting underway in spring 2023.

The centre will house MRI and CT imaging equipment and the build is expected to take three years to complete.

This comes following a national drive to give better access to community healthcare services. [Read more about the 2023 plans here.](#)



## **Haslemere Minor Injuries Unit expands service to ease winter pressures**

Royal Surrey's Minor Injuries Unit in Haslemere has expanded its services, opening its doors on Saturdays.

The Nurse Practitioner led facility, which treats a variety of minor injuries will now open Monday to Saturday, 8am to 5pm as a walk in service.

This change is to help with the expected rise in patients needing medical attention over the winter period. [Click here to read more about the opening hours and treatments offered.](#)



## Celebrations as the fifth maternity hub opens in Bordon

Expectant and new mothers in and around Bordon now have access to 'Outstanding' maternity services on their doorstep, with the opening of our new Maternity Hub.

MP for East Hampshire, Damian Hinds, joined Jo Mountjoy, Chief Nurse, to officially open the hub, which is in a new building co-located with Badgerswood Surgery on Mill Lane in Headley. [Read more about the new hub here.](#)



## Stars shone bright at staff awards ceremony

The achievements and hard work of staff across the Royal Surrey were recently celebrated at an awards ceremony held at the Guildford Cathedral. This celebration recognised some of the exceptional people who work at the Trust and their commitment to patients and colleagues.

The 2022 awards are the Trust's first staff awards in three years and around 350 nominations from colleagues and patients across 16 categories were received. [Congratulations to our Royal Surrey Stars 2022 winners,](#)

The evening of celebrations would not have been possible without the

generosity of our sponsors.

Thank you to our partners for supporting these awards. Find out more about our sponsors: [Medirest](#), [CBRE](#), [AdEPT](#), [Nautilus Consulting Ltd](#), [Alliance Medical](#)



## Family-centred neonatal unit wins Gold!

Royal Surrey's Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU) has been awarded the Bliss Baby Charter Gold Award in recognition of its high quality, outstanding family-centred care.

The Bliss Baby Charter awards were set up to standardise care in neonatal units across the country and to encourage a family centred approach and parent involvement in their baby's care. [Read more about this story here.](#)



## St Luke's Cancer Centre wins prestigious patient-centred award

St Luke's Cancer Centre at Royal Surrey County Hospital is one of just seven UK centres to achieve accreditation from the European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) for its integrated palliative care services.

The prestigious ESMO seal of approval recognises St Luke's outstanding patient-centred cancer care and focus on improving quality of life for those with life-limiting illnesses. [Read more here.](#)



## Healthcare support workers recognised for their dedication and hard work

Chief Nurse Jo Mountjoy presented Care Certificates and Co-Supervisor Awards to 32 hardworking healthcare support workers in an inspiring celebration.

Jo congratulated staff receiving their award, praising their dedication and commitment. She said: "It's a privilege to be here with you to share your success. You dug deep, you studied hard, and you have achieved your Care Certificates and Co-Supervisor Awards. This is extremely valuable to our Trust, it helps improve the care we give our patients and supports colleagues who you're working with too. Well done." [Read more here.](#)



## Royal Surrey receives tree from Queen's Green Canopy 'Tree of Trees'

Presented by Michael More-Molyneux, Lord Lieutenant of Surrey the Royal Surrey was delighted to have received a special tree from The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) "Tree of Trees".

The tree was planted at the Guildford site and is a message of hope, regeneration and optimism to the nation and the world. It was part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Royal Surrey joins over 300 organisations from across the UK who were recently announced by the QGC as recipients of these special trees in The

Queen's name, which was gifted in a pot embossed with Her Majesty's cypher. [Read more here.](#)

## Support our charity



### Pledge a Present this Christmas | patient gift appeal

**No one wants to spend Christmas in the hospital.**

Every year, Royal Surrey Charity delivers gift bags filled with useful treats to our patients spending Christmas in hospital away from loved ones.

Last year, thanks to your support we delivered over 570 gifts to those at the Royal Surrey, as well as our hospitals and patients in the community at Haslemere, Cranleigh and Milford.

[Make a donation](#), 'Pledge a Present' today and help make sure every patient receives a gift bag filled with useful treats to brighten their day.

For more information on up-and-coming events or how you can get involved please visit the Royal Surrey Charity website or contact the Fundraising Department: Tel: 01483571122 ext 4438

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