

Your monthly insight into the world of Bradford's hospitals

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# Members' news

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## Midwives lead vaccine drive

Here's Mel's weekly news round-up for August 13: [bit.ly/2VTVdaB](https://bit.ly/2VTVdaB).

This week we take a look at the Trust's nerve centre – the **Clinical**

**Engineering Department** – and the vital work carried out by the team.

We share a story of caring and compassion from our **COVID virtual exhibition** and reveal how our **'pop up, pop in' COVID vaccination clinics** at our Maternity unit are proving to be a hit with mums-to-be.

Have you ever wondered what colleagues get up to in their spare time? We meet someone who enjoys the **challenges of fell running**.

Meanwhile, St Luke's Hospital is getting an **eye-catching makeover** thanks to the talents of a local artist.

## Marking another UK 'first'

Here's Mel's weekly news round-up for 23 July: [bit.ly/3iUZjrG](https://bit.ly/3iUZjrG).

This week we meet a valued colleague in our BTHFT family, who is playing an invaluable role helping our patients with **chronic kidney disease**.

There's news from our **innovative ophthalmology team** who have notched up yet another UK first and well-deserved honours for two of our dedicated healthcare assistants.

Our very own Bradford Hospitals' Charity is preparing to receive a fantastic boost for **our BIG Neonatal Appeal**, and we reveal how, on one of the hottest days of the year, we got the heatwave licked!

## Meet our new junior doctors

Here's Mel's weekly news round-up for 6 August: [bit.ly/3k5O1QJ](https://bit.ly/3k5O1QJ).

This week we say **"hello" and "goodbye" to junior doctors** at the Trust as we welcome newly qualified doctors from medical school and many of our FY2s leave to move on to new roles.

We mark Breastfeeding Week with a visit to our Maternity Unit to find out how **new mums are getting fantastic support with breastfeeding**, and how beneficial this can be for babies, especially during COVID.

And we get a look at lovely, colourful new screens, funded by **our own Bradford Hospitals' Charity**, which have gone up in the recovery room where we look after children who've just had their operation.

Plus there's a round-up of lots of other things making headlines across the Trust.



## 'Kindness, compassion and innovation'

Here's Mel's weekly news round-up for 30 July: [bit.ly/3snTUMJ](https://bit.ly/3snTUMJ).

This week we hear about the launch of our Caring through COVID virtual exhibition. This focuses on some of the amazing stories of **kindness, compassion and innovation** here in Bradford during the pandemic.

There's also news of how teams are pulling together and **lending a helping hand to colleagues** during a very busy time in our hospitals – and especially during last week's heatwave.

And you can find out more about how **new monitors in Maternity** are giving mums-to-be a better picture of their baby when they have a scan.

Plus there's a round-up of other news from across the Trust.



## Investing in St Luke's

Here's Mel's weekly news round-up for July 16: [bit.ly/3wKo39t](https://bit.ly/3wKo39t).

This week there's a focus on **St Luke's Hospital** where we've got

news of two big investments – one in **Radiology** and the other in **Security**.

There's also news of some dementia-friendly changes at **Eccleshill Community Hospital**.

And you can hear guidance on being **COVID-safe in hospital** after lockdown rules ended.

Plus there's a round-up of other news from across the Trust.

## Have your say on clean air

OUR Born in Bradford (BiB) researchers are keen to hear what Bradford residents (and people who work in Bradford) think about the planned **clean air charging zone**. You can complete the survey by following this link [bit.ly/BiB-Breathes](https://bit.ly/BiB-Breathes).

## Talking about cancer

A THOUGHT-PROVOKING podcast designed to encourage people to **talk openly about cancer**, its signs and how to prevent it has been launched. Find out more about the initiative, called **YOU CANcervive**, here [bit.ly/2W3X0t1](https://bit.ly/2W3X0t1).

## Marking Black Breastfeeding Week

WE are proudly supporting **Black Breastfeeding Week** (August 25-31) to highlight the unique challenges and triumphs that are often overlooked in the general conversation surrounding breastfeeding. Click here to find out more about this initiative: [bit.ly/3ssKGyW](https://bit.ly/3ssKGyW).

## Just the job

OUR new **recruitment and retention campaign**, which encourages people to *Step into Kindness* and develop their careers, is already seeing really positive results.

At its heart, the campaign aims to recruit and develop newcomers into skilled, caring and compassionate healthcare assistants (HCAs) and beyond. So far, 53 trainee/healthcare assistants have already joined the Trust – with a further advert attracting almost 120 applicants.

## Annual General Meeting/Annual Members' Meeting (AGM/AMM)

Tuesday 12 October, 5pm-6pm. Our event this year will be delivered virtually. A recording of the AGM will be available via a YouTube link which will be provided in due course.



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