

Health Minister announces £1.8m investment to redevelop Gower health centres

The funding will enable Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board to refurbish and redevelop Penclawdd and Murton health centres, providing modern, fit-for-purpose facilities.

The investment in Penclawdd will see a wide range of primary and community services provided from seven fully-modernised, multi-functional clinical rooms.

In Murton, the refurbishment work will involve significant external and internal work, including the refurbishment of four consulting/treatment rooms to comply with current standards.

These changes will result in more sustainable and efficient service provision for people living in the Gower, Swansea. The Penclawdd Centre will also be ready to accommodate additional people who may move into the area – the Swansea Local Development Plan outlines plans for up to 5,000 additional homes in the Gowerton area.

The refurbishments are scheduled to be completed by summer 2019.

The investment is part of a Welsh Government commitment in Taking Wales Forward to invest in a new generation of integrated health and care centres across Wales.

Health Minister Vaughan Gething said:

“The Welsh Government is firmly committed to investing in our NHS, making sure it provides the very best care to people across Swansea and the Gower and the rest of Wales.

“The funding I’m announcing today will help transform the health centres in Penclawdd and Murton into modern healthcare facilities. This will help us deliver our long-term plan for health and social care in Wales by providing care closer to people’s homes.”

Professor Andrew Davies, Chair of Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board added:

“I am delighted with this investment in our services in Gower. It will enable the provision of modern facilities which will greatly enhance the accommodation and services provided to patients.

"The investment will be very much welcomed by the local community."