

We have received a lot of press coverage recently, some of it very good. We are still updating this page, and if you are aware of any stories not mentioned here, please tell us where you saw something (via contact@stroudagainstcuts.co.uk, and if possible pass on the weblink)

Many of the pieces are great, but several of them include out of date or slightly inaccurate referencing to tendering. Please see our recent press release for our position on the outcome of the case, which we understand will mean that our local health services are likely to end up being transferred to an NHS body

<http://stroudagainstcuts.co.uk/fightback/healthcarecuts/38-healthcare/113-stroud-power-on-show-again.html>

Video footage and most recent coverage first, previous coverage after clicking Read More below:

ITV Westcountry, Thursday February 9th, 2012: "NHS withdraws from legal battle"
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kjrcVKo2vsw>

BBC Points West, Thursday February 9th 2012: "NHS withdraws from legal battle"
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N2Rg46ddKvw>

ITV Westcountry, Wednesday February 8th, 2012: "Interviews with Michael Lloyd and Caroline Molloy"
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZwO7AgHS6_g&feature=related

BBC Points West, Wednesday February 8th 2012: "High Court challenge over NHS Privatisation"
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GCZhJGXeKI>

"NHS managers agree to halt plans for Stroud General Hospital to be run by a social enterprise", by Crispin Northey, Wednesday 15th February, 2012:

http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/news/9523123.NHS_managers_agree_to_halt_plans_for_Stroud_General_Hospital_to_be_run_by_a_social_enterprise/

"Activists prepare for new NHS fight", Wednesday 15th February 2012, by Ben

Falconer, Stroud Life: <http://www.thisisgloucestershire.co.uk/Activists-prepare-new-NHS-fight/story-15232954-detail/story.html> "Hospital Hero Michael Lloyd, 76, has day in Court", Wednesday 15th February 2012, by Crispin Northey, Stroud News and Journal: http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/news/9531849.Hospital_hero_Michael_76_has_his_day_in_court/

"We can save our NHS", Wednesday 15th February 2012, by Chris Moore (Gloucestershire Socialist Party and a Stroud Against the Cuts coordinator) <http://www.socialistparty.org.uk/issue/705/13821/15-02-2012/we-can-save-our-nhs>

Neil Carmichael, Conservative MP for Stroud constituency, comments on the legal case and the Health and Social Care Bill, in Stroud Life, Wednesday 15th February 2012:

<http://www.thisisgloucestershire.co.uk/Health-social-care/story-15232514-detail/story.html>

Click Read More for national and local coverage online, in papers, and on the radio:

Articles published during the week of the legal case (beginning 6th February 2012) - immediately prior to and post the out of court settlement:

We have managed to reach some of the broadsheets, it seems only on their websites so far, but

the articles are good.

Telegraph online, Thursday 9th February 2012 (post-outcome): "Pensioner forces NHS to reconsider £80m private deal" [worth bearing in mind that the deal was actually worth up to £400m over the 5 possible total years that were to be outsourced]:
<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/health/healthnews/9072761/Pensioner-forces-NHS-to-reconsider-80m-private-deal.html>

Telegraph online, Wednesday 8th February 2012 (pre-outcome): "Pensioner launches High Court bid to stop NHS 'privatisation'": <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/health/healthnews/9067413/Pensioner-launches-High-Court-bid-to-stop-NHS-privatisation.html>

Guardian Professional (Healthcare Network), Friday 10th February 2012 (post-outcome), "Plans to move NHS services to social enterprise halted": http://www.guardian.co.uk/healthcare-network/2012/feb/10/plans-halted-nhs-services-social-enterprise?INTCMP=ILCN_ETTXT3487

Guardian Professional (Healthcare Network), Monday 20th January 2012 (pre-outcome) - "From a PCT to a CIC: new era held up by legal challenge": <http://www.guardian.co.uk/healthcare-network/2012/jan/30/workforce-england>

Local coverage has also been good, and we hope there will more soon in this weeks, SNJ, StroudLife and the other weeklies. In the meantime,

The Citizen/This Is Gloucestershire online, "Victory for pensioner in battle with NHS Gloucestershire" (post-outcome), Friday 10th February 2012: <http://www.thisisgloucestershire.co.uk/Victory-pensioner-battle-NHS-Gloucestershire/story-15188108-detail/story.html>
(comments are open on this article)

Stroud Life, Wednesday 8th February 2012: "Legal bid to halt NHS move heard today" (pre-outcome),
<http://www.thisisgloucestershire.co.uk/Legal-bid-halt-NHS-heard-today/story-15165555-detail/story.html>

Stroud News and Journal online, Thursday 9th February 2012: "NHS managers agree to halt plans for Stroud General Hospital to be run by a social enterprise" (post-outcome):

http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/news/9523123.NHS_managers_agree_to_halt_plans_for_Stroud_General_Hospital_to_be_run_by_a_social_enterprise/

Dursley Gazette, Thursday 9th February 2012: "Gloucestershire health campaigners at

High Court for second day" (pre-outcome)

http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/archive/2012/02/09/Gloucestershire+News+%28gaz_gloucestershirenews%29/9521896.Campaigners_in_High_Court_for_second_day/

Dursley Gazette, Wednesday 8th February 2012: "Gloucestershire health campaigners at High Court in London" (pre-outcome):

http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/archive/2012/02/08/Gloucestershire+News+%28gaz_gloucestershirenews%29/9518431.Health_campaigners_at_High_Court/

BBC News online, Wednesday 8th February (pre-outcome): "NHS Gloucestershire legal battle reaches High Court": <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-gloucestershire-16947203>

Specialist websites have covered the story too:

The Health Services Journal (subscriber only at present):

<http://www.hsj.co.uk/hsj-local/pcts/gloucestershire-pct/pct-in-court-over-community-services-transfer/5041266.article>

Third Sector magazine: "Healthcare community interest company to be challenged in High Court": <http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/Governance/article/1116151/healthcare-community-interest-company-challenged-high-court/>

Civil Society, Friday 10th February 2012: "NHS backs down over transfer of services to social enterprise" (post-outcome): http://www.civilsociety.co.uk/governance/news/content/11519/settlement_reached_in_nhs_stroud_privatisation_row

We have also been interviewed a number of times on BBC Radio Gloucestershire, HeartFM, and StroudFM (we're still looking for online links to any of these).

Stroud FM is a good place to find out the latest: Tune in to 107.9 fm in Stroud www.stroudfm.co.uk/radioplayer for regular updates on the Breakfast (Mon-Fri, 7-9am), Drivetime (Mon-Fri 5-7pm) and Transition (Fri 2-3pm) shows. You can hear the most recent Transition Show here (<http://podcasts.stroudfm.co.uk/index.php?cat=The%20Transition%20Show>), which is presented by Stroud Against the Cuts Chairman James Beecher, and includes an update from him on the court case (alongside a story about the opening of Brewery Bridge and the campaign to keep Wallbridge closed).

And finally, as they say, a Greek Hospital was occupied by its workers recently. What chance of this in Stroud, we wonder? <http://www.indymedia.org.uk/en/2012/02/491975.html>

Articles from week beginning 13th February