

If you would like to receive regular email updates from SATC please email contact [at] stroudagainstcuts.co.uk, in the meantime, please find below links to the latest press coverage SATC has received, with regard to the proposed transfer of many of Gloucestershire's NHS services (including Stroud General Hospital and Beeches Green Health Clinic) out of the NHS. If you spot an article we haven't listed, please email contact [at] stroudagainstcuts.co.uk (replace the [at] with an @ symbol, this is there to prevent spam).

Both the articles below feature a misleading claim by NHS Gloucestershire Chief Executive Jan Stubbings, who claims that the legal challenge we are supporting "would mean services would be competitively tendered" (these words are directly quoted in the Stroud Life story, while a paraphrased version appears in the SNJ). This is misleading. NHS Gloucestershire would not need to tender services if it chose to keep them in the NHS (there are various ways it can do this). It only needs to tender if it chooses to outsource the services (which it does not have to). They are otherwise good reports on the meeting organised by Stroud Against the Cuts on 7th November, which featured Professor Wendy Savage - a former elected member of the General Medical Council.

"Professor backs NHS campaign", Stroud Life, 9th November 2011: <http://www.thisisgloucestershire.co.uk/Professor-backs-NHS-campaign/story-13797102-detail/story.html>

"Health bill will destroy NHS", SNJ, 9th November 2011: <http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/news/9353371>. [Health bill will destroy the NHS /](http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/news/9353371)

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"Battle over transfer of NHS services to social enterprise heads for High Court ";
Local Government Lawyer, 4th November 2011: http://localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8439%3Abattle-over-transfer-of-nhs-services-to-social-enterprise-heads-for-high-court&catid=174%3Ahealthcare&q=&Itemid=99

BBC Points West, 26th October 2011: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xbWW1ZUXHMs> (see the previous Points West story here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?NR=1&v=OohDEeogcBI>)

BBC Gloucestershire: NHS Gloucestershire judicial review a step closer, 26th Oct 2011 <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-gloucestershire-15459778>

"Health authority remains committed to NHS transfer";, Dursley Gazette, 26th Oct 2011: http://www.gazetteseries.co.uk/news/9326340.Health_authority_remains_committed_to_service_transfer/?ref=rss

"NHS Gloucestershire judicial review a step closer";, Nursing Times, 25th Oct 2011:

<http://www.nursingtimes.net/nursing-practice/clinical-specialisms/district-and-community-nursing/tcs-social-enterprise-transfer-faces-legal-challenge/5037024.article>

“Community delays Gloucestershire's NHS community interest company: A legal challenge has allowed protesters to delay the transfer of 3,000 staff from a primary care trust to a new social enterprise”

Guardian Professional, 5th October 2011

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/healthcare-network/2011/oct/05/nhs-gloucestershire-community-interest-company-transfer?newsfeed=true>

“NHS bosses 'disingenuous' over hospital transfer, says Stroud mayor”, Stroud News and Journal, 5th October 2011

http://www.stroudnewsandjournal.co.uk/news/9286680.NHS_bosses_disingenuous_over_hospital_transfer_says_Stroud_mayor/

“NHS Trust puts transfer to social enterprise on hold after threats of legal action”, Local Government Lawyer, 5th October 2011: http://localgovernmentlawyer.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8082%3Anhs-trust-puts-transfer-to-social-enterprise-on-hold-after-threats-of-legal-action&catid=174%3Ahealthcare&q=&Itemid=99

“We must fight to save our NHS: Stroud campaigner”, The Citizen, 20th September 2011: <http://www.thisisgloucestershire.co.uk/fight-save-NHS-Stroud-campaigner/story-13365124-detail/story.html>