

Chorley Council notes the consultation due to be launched by Our Health, Our Care regarding the future of Accident & Emergency services in the Chorley, South Ribble and Preston areas. The Council strongly opposes any proposal for a single site Accident & Emergency based at Preston Hospital. The Council believes such a proposal would have a detrimental impact on the quality of local health care for the local population and that Chorley needs a 24 hour Accident & Emergency department. The Council believes the only potential viable proposal for a single site Accident & Emergency would be through a new super hospital located at a central point within the Chorley, South Ribble and Preston area. Without this option included in the consultation, Chorley Council strongly opposes any single site options. Therefore Chorley Council urges Our Health Our Care to include all possible future options in the consultation process.