



Daily update
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Parkhead Hub Officially Opens as Scotland's Largest Integrated Health and Social Care Facility

Parkhead Hub has been officially opened by First Minister John Swinney, at an event also attended by local stakeholders, staff, and community representatives. The event also honoured the late John Ferguson, a much-respected community campaigner, by naming the main conference room in his memory.



The landmark £67 million health, social care, and community facility in the heart of Glasgow's East End brings together a wide range of services previously spread across nine different sites, creating a single, modern building that acts as a central point of care, support, and community activity. The facility co-locates GP practices, community pharmacy, dental services, children's services, adult and older people's social care, mental health teams, addictions support, homelessness and justice services, sexual health, and health-improvement teams. Community amenities include a relocated library, café, flexible meeting rooms, training spaces, and areas for third-sector groups.

Dr Lesley Thomson KC, Chair, said: "Parkhead Hub marks a step-change in how we deliver health and social care, bringing services together to better support communities and reflecting our Transforming Together vision of care closer to home.

"This achievement is the result of incredible collaboration across public, third-sector and community partners. Scotland's largest primary care facility and our first net-zero building, Parkhead Hub sets a new benchmark for integrated care."

To read more about the opening of Parkhead Hub, visit [Staffnet](#).



Disability History Month – A message from our Employee Director Ann Cameron-Burns

This year, NHSGGC is proud to mark UK Disability History Month (UKDHM), running from 20 November to 20 December 2025. UKDHM is an annual, vital opportunity to acknowledge the rich and complex history, the ongoing struggles for equality, and the significant achievements of disabled people.

NHSGGC is committed to creating an environment where all staff feel valued and supported, and the Staff Disability Forum (SDF) is at the heart of this work.

Employee Director Ann Cameron-Burns has this short [message](#) for staff:





Festive Pay Dates

As we're approaching that time of year, this is to give advance notification of the earlier pay dates over the Christmas period to allow you to plan ahead.

Monthly Pays

This year, in order to accommodate staff being paid their December salary before Christmas, it has also been necessary to change to the normal pay date for January 2026, with the pay dates now being:

Month	Change	Period	Pay Date
December 2025	Forward two days	3 weeks 5 days	Tuesday 23 December 2025
January 2026	Forward 7 days	4 weeks 2 days	Thursday 22 January 2026

Weekly Pays

In keeping with previous years, all substantive staff will receive three weeks' pay on **Friday 19 December 2025**.

The first pay in January will be on **Friday 9 January 2026**.

Revised timetables will apply during this period to allow bank staff to be paid for finalised shifts on **19 December 2025, 24 December 2025 and 31 December 2025**.

Further communications will be issued nearer the time detailing the revised timetables to support these arrangements.

Staff in Receipt of Income Related Benefits

In keeping with previous years, and also HMRC guidance for staff in receipt of income related benefits such as Universal Credit or Carers Allowance, the following will be notified to HMRC:

- For monthly paid staff – the standard monthly pay dates for December and January, rather than the earlier “physical” pay dates.
- For weekly paid staff – two weeks holiday pay for Week 37.

Staff who have money worries can access our 'All About Money' webpage: [All About Money - NHSGGC](#), and staff can also access our financial inclusion partner services for

holistic advice on any forms of financial assistance to which they may be entitled, including any social security benefits, grants, help with home energy costs, etc.

The most appropriate financial inclusion service provider for your local area can be located using the NHSGGC Health and Wellbeing Directory and selecting 'Money Advice' from this list of topics and filtering by geographical area: [Public Health Service Directory - Home \(nhsggc.org.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/public-health-service-directory/)

Public transport festive service levels 2025/26

The table below provides a summary of public transport service levels over the festive period. This is broadly in line with previous years. Please note, engineering works may impact on a number of ScotRail services over the festive period. Please refer to individual operator, or [Traveline Scotland](https://www.traveline.scot/), for more detailed information.

Day & Date	Service in operation
Wednesday 24 December	Bus services – First Glasgow will operate a Saturday service as will West Coast Motors on services 15 & 17. McGill's and Stagecoach West will operate a normal Wednesday service. All bus services will finish from approximately 2030-2100. ScotRail – normal service with services finishing from approximately 1900.
Thursday 25 December & Thursday 1 January	No local bus or train services in our area, but Scottish Citylink will operate a limited number of intercity routes. On 1 January, First Glasgow will operate a special service on service 500 from Glasgow City Centre – Glasgow Airport.
Friday 26 December & Friday 2 January	Bus services - Generally, Sunday service for most operators, but West Coast Motors will have limited services operating. First Glasgow night bus services will not operate. ScotRail will be operating a special timetable on a selected number of routes.
Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 December	Bus services – Generally normal scheduled services for most operators. ScotRail – normal service.
Monday 29 & Tuesday 30 December	Bus services - Generally Saturday service for most operators. ScotRail – normal service, but with engineering works planned.

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Wednesday 31 December	All bus services will finish from approximately 2030-2100.
	ScotRail – normal service with services finishing from approximately 1900.

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[GGC-Staffnet Hub - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](https://sharepoint.com/GGC-Staffnet-Hub-Home)



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