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# Maghull Health Park Investment Zone Proposal: Sefton Economic Forum November 2024

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# About Mersey Care

More than

**299,000**

appointments and  
visits for children  
and young people



Provide services  
from more than

**230** sites



Largest provider of  
**LEARNING  
DISABILITY**  
forensic secure care



**1 OF 3**  
providers of high  
secure services

Working in **six** places

**LIVERPOOL  
SEFTON  
ST HELENS  
KNOWSLEY  
HALTON  
WARRINGTON**



**ONE of only FIVE**

inpatient addiction  
services in the  
country



The biggest  
**Talking  
Therapies**  
service in the NHS



£

OVER

**£754.9**  
million

TURNOVER

£

£

£

The **LIFE ROOMS** had

**28,140** contacts

and issued

**10,764**

social prescriptions

2023/24



**CIRCA 11,000  
WORKFORCE**

One of the **LARGEST**  
**healthcare employers**  
in the North West



Serve a population of  
**MORE THAN  
1.4 MILLION**

across our region and are  
also commissioned for services  
that cover the North West,  
North Wales and the Midlands

**3,079,767**

adult outpatient  
appointments, visits or  
community contacts



**8**

community NHS  
walk-in and urgent  
treatment centres



**950**

inpatient beds



**Awarded  
£10.5m**

Funding to lead groundbreaking mental  
health research with the University of  
Liverpool (Mental Health Research for  
Innovation Centre)

£

£

# Liverpool City Region Life Sciences Investment Zone

- **LCRCA Life Sciences Investment Zone designated March 2023**  
**Focus on** research and development, innovation infrastructure, skills and employment, business support and laboratory space.
- Tax incentives to locating within investment zone including Business Rates, Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT), Employer National Insurance Contributions (NICs), Enhanced Structures and Building Allowance, and Enhanced Capital Allowances.
- Sites within LCR - Key locations :
  - **Knowledge Quarter Liverpool**
  - **Speke Pharmaceutical Cluster**
  - **Maghull Health Park** – tax reliefs available on designated site
  - **Sci-Tech Daresbury** – tax reliefs available on designated site
  - **St Helens Manufacturing and Innovation Campus** – tax reliefs available on designated site
- 5- 10-year programme of support. (Until 30<sup>th</sup> September 2034)
- [Investment Zones in England - GOV.UK](#)
- [HMRC Investment Zones information pack](#)





## Maghull Health Park - Benefits


- Maghull forms part of the LCR Health and Life Sciences cluster - one of the largest clusters of life science jobs in the UK
- Sector makes a £730m annual contribution to the LCR economy and is projected to grow at 2.3% per year to 2040 compared to the overall economic growth rate of 1.3%
- 6,000 life sciences jobs in the city region including 1800 people at Maghull Health Park with a further 1270 new jobs expected once the park is developed
- Helping to build LCRs key assets and capabilities in this sector through R&D , business growth and enterprise
- Key opportunity for health and digital skills development for existing and new employees, to meet significant growing demand in sector
- Help to address health deprivation and economic inactivity in
- Sefton and wider region
- Provision in later phases for key worker and related residential accommodation.
- Builds on £250M investment to date by Mersey Care.









A modern office interior with a large, open-plan space. Two large, leafy green trees are planted in circular green planters. The floor is a light grey, and the walls are white with large windows. In the background, there are office desks with chairs and a reception area. A dark green circular overlay on the right side of the image contains white text.

Our vision is to  
create a leading,  
world class research  
discovery centre of  
excellence for  
mental health.



Investment in translational mental health research has huge potential to boost economic growth, reduce health inequalities and address the associated £13bn per annum in lost productivity.

To improve mental health, we will use virtual reality tools to advance understanding of how mental, physical, and social conditions are interlinked, and trial new interventions with industry in real world settings.



# Our whole is greater than the sum of parts

Mental Health Digital Research Centre will build on the £10.5m Office for Life Science M-RIC investment to improve service users' access to clinical trials and continuously improve services with more embedded research, driving better mental health outcomes in a sustainable partnership between our residents, NHS, local government, third sector, university and industry partners.

M-RIC will connect and grow our city's assets to create a world-first 'mental health learning system' accelerating the delivery of new technologies, whilst driving continuous improvement of mental health outcomes.







A focus on the repurposing of existing drugs, and advancements in digital therapies innovation.

Bridge the gap between academia and the real world.

A knowledge exchange with international experts and champions of discovery emerged in an epicentre of research.

# Local Growth Plan

Jobs, jobs  
and more  
jobs!

Improved  
services and  
addressing  
health  
inequalities

Industry  
investment

Development of a  
learning system where  
treatments improve the  
more they are used,  
studied, and refined





Adaptable and  
expandable space  
for future  
generations and  
growth.

Well connected to  
the local transport  
systems for  
accessible local,  
regional and  
international travel.

Sustainability  
at the core of  
the design  
principles.



# **Maghull Health Park current and proposed sites**

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**Ashworth High  
Secure Hospital**

**Indigo Building**

**Medicines  
Management**



**Rowan View Medium Secure Hospital**



# Maghull Health Park new and proposed sites



**Phase 4: Key Worker Housing**

**Phase 3: Additional Supported Residential Housing**

**Phase 2: Science Park**

**Phase 1: Mental Health Digital Research Centre**

**Aspen Wood Low Secure Unit (open March 24)**



**Ashworth High Secure Hospital**

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Mersey Care working in  
partnership with:

Sefton Council



Mental Health  
Research for  
Innovation  
Centre



UNIVERSITY OF  
LIVERPOOL



LIVERPOOL  
CITY REGION  
COMBINED AUTHORITY

METRO MAYOR  
LIVERPOOL CITY REGION



HM Government

Questions?