

18 January 2018

**Anticipated merger between Derby Teaching Hospitals NHS  
Foundation Trust (DTHFT) and Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation  
Trust (BHFT)**

**Notice under section 96(2A) of the Enterprise Act 2002 (the Act)  
published pursuant to section 107(1)(i) of the Act**

The Competition and Markets Authority (**CMA**) hereby gives notice pursuant to section 96(2A) of the Act that the merger notice provided by DTHFT and BHFT in relation to the anticipated merger between DTHFT and BHFT (the **Merger**) meets the requirements of section 96(2) of the Act.

The initial period defined in section 34ZA(3) of the Act in relation to the Merger will therefore commence on the first working day after the date of this notice, ie on 19 January 2018. The deadline for the CMA to announce its decision whether to refer the Merger for a Phase 2 investigation is therefore 15 March 2018.

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