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**AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
OF THE
REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM DUBLIN MID LEINSTER JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Venue: Bridge House Hotel, Tullamore, Co Offaly

Date: Tuesday, 15th of February at 2.30pm – 4pm

1. Adoption of minutes of meeting of the Regional Health Forum - Dublin Mid Leinster held on Tuesday, 14th December 2021 (attached)
2. Health Service Executive Updates
3. Presentation by
4. Motions

Motion Number	Proposed by	Motion	Responded by
1	Cllr Máire Devine	“That this forum needs to respond to ongoing requests from local community groups for the use of HSE managed properties and ask that a report be compiled and a discussion on this issue take place at an agreed date. An exchange of views that take into account the various needs and requirements of all parties/stakeholders involved to ensure safe and successful use of suitable (to be defined) premises outside of “normal working times”	
2	Cllr Deirdre O Donovan	That the Manager reports on the current home care package supports being offered in the DML area, specifically highlighting; a) how much is spent every year on this service; b) how many constituents avail of the service; c) what is the average amount of hours allotted per constituent?; d) how often does the service provider fail to send a home help and does the provider still get paid when a carer isn't available?; e) what is the reporting mechanism for families who are let down by carers not turning up?	

3	Cllrs O' Dwyer, Breen, Liston, Leigh and Hamilton	That this forum request/ write to the Minister of Health, the Minister of State at the Dept of Health, Minister Donoghue and Minister McGrath to release funding ASAP(approx 6million) to upgrade the appropriate infrastructure necessary in Cappagh and Temple St Hospital for the management of Spina Bifida in young children.	
4	Cllr Hazel Smyth	That the HSE remove the rotten bales of silage (approximately 15-20 of them) from the grounds of St. Peter's Hospital, Castlepollard, Westmeath (6/7 acre site of land) and put fencing around this area and provide for its maintenance/upkeep.	
5	Cllr Charlie O Connor	That this Regional Health Forum Dublin Mid Leinster calls for assurances that proper funding will be guaranteed into the future for the continued provision of crack cocaine services being provided by CARP, Killinarden and JADD, Jobstown and in reporting will the HSE detail recent contacts in the matter, including contact with Tallaght Drugs and Alcohol Task Force and may we have a detailed statement for discussion.	
6	Cllr Vincent Jackson	That the HSE / HSE Estates acknowledging the huge disruption to the lives of many in the Drimnagh / Inchicore area with the construction of the new Children's Hospital and the use of construction sites along Davitt Road for the said hospital construction equipment, building materials makes a gesture by looking at providing DCC the disused Blind Craft building at Davitt Road for use by community groups in the local area.	

5. Questions

Question Number	Proposed by	Question	Responded by
1	Cllr Máire Devine	To ask the manager for an update on the assessment by DCC and the HSE on the future ownership and management of the Quaker Burial Ground at Cork St?	CHO7
2	Cllr Máire Devine	To ask that the Estates Dept liaise with the relevant stakeholders with the aim of erecting a plaque at the Quakers Burial Ground, Cork St. ?"	CHO7
3	Cllr Deirdre O	What traffic management plans are in place for the opening of the Ballyboden Primary Care Centre? It was open temporarily	CHO7

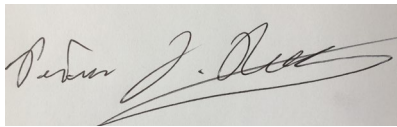
	Donovan	over the Christmas break, and the Gardai had to attend to manage the traffic in the area, as the required double yellow lines have not been put in place by the developer, nor have they dealt with the overgrowth, which is a danger for motorists in the area.	
4	Cllr David McManus	To request an update on a new Primary Care Centre in the Citywest/Rathcoole/Saggart area, the proposed level of investment required, the services to be available to the public, details of the approximate location being considered, and if a statement may be available?	CHO7
5	Cllr David McManus	To request an update on the new Primary Care Centre in Ballyboden, Rathfarnham, when this project was originally approved, the level of investment, confirmed range of services that will be available, its operating hours and if a statement may be available?	
6	Cllr Hazel Smyth	What is the timeline for the provision of a MRI scanner at Mullingar Regional Hospital.	
7	Cllr Hazel Smyth	How many complaints (if any) were received by the HSE with respect to Westmeath regarding ambulance wait times in the past 6 months.	
8	Cllr Hazel Smyth	What is being done to tackle drug related problems/addictions in the Mid-Leinster Region?	
9	Cllr Vanessa Liston	Could you provide an overview of the mental health services normally available to homeless people in the region and how these are accessed?	
10	Cllr Vanessa Liston	When will mental health services that were suspended or impacted during Covid be reinstated and how long will this take?	
11	Cllr Vanessa Liston	What gaps are the HSE currently working on addressing in the provision of mental health services to homeless people and what other needs remain?	
12	Cllr Paul Ross	What are the obligations of a GP when requested to attend a scene to make a formal declaration that a person is deceased. What is the guidance if a GP does not attend.	
13	Cllr Anne Feeney	To ask the HSE for their policy/directive re telephone consultations only by GPs. Should this practice continue to be GP led as we emerge from Covid or is it the right of patients to insist on a face to face consultation going forward?	
14	Cllr Anne Feeney	To ask the HSE for an update in relation to provision of a Primary Care Centre in Terenure and whether this is being planned currently.	
15	Cllr Anne Feeney	To ask the HSE for an update in relation to the current availability of carers for home packages. There appears to be a severe shortage of carers from private home care providers currently, with many of them advertising on national media, etc. Is this same shortage being experienced by the HSE and if so, what are the causes and what plans are in place to address it. Helping people to stay in their own home must be an aim we support.	
16	Cllr	To ask for details of Covid cases in the Tallaght area since	

	Charlie O Connor	November 2021 and confirmation of actions in the matter?	
17	Cllr Charlie O Connor	To ask for confirmation of actions being taken to deal with the ongoing pressures on the Emergency Department at Tallaght University Hospital and may we have an update in the matter?	
18	Cllr Charlie O Connor	To ask for a report on the HSE dealings in respect of the site of the former Nursing Home at Crooksling; will the HSE confirm any plans for the site and if any direction has been received from Stephen Donnelly TD, Minister for Health and may we have a statement?	
19	Cllr Frankie Keena	<p>“I have been informed that there are 82 children with Spina Bifida and/or Hydrocephalus currently requiring urgent Orthopaedic intervention.</p> <p>Lack of surgical intervention has caused their limbs and bodies to become deformed and maimed. Some of these children legs are now so badly affected that the soles of their feet permanently rub together causing open sores and bleeding. Children who have the ability to walk are losing or have lost that ability due to the absence of timely surgical management. Others who are manual wheelchair users, due to the same issue are unable to self-propel themselves effectively leaving them immobile.</p> <p>The lack of timely surgical intervention means that effectively these children end up requiring more complex surgeries and failing that amputation of limbs.</p> <p>My question to the executive on this HSE forum is to please explain as to what immediate actions are being undertaken to fast track these children for surgical review?</p>	
20	Cllr Carrie Smyth	To ask the Health Service Executive for a progress report on the Climate Change Adaption Plan?	
21	Cllr Carrie Smyth	To ask the Health Service Executive for a report on the implementation of the “33 Actions” in the “Sustainability Strategy for Health 2017-2019”?	
22	Cllr Vincent Jackson	Could we be given an update on the new Children’s hospital at St James Hospital Campus Dublin 8 to include anticipated completion, fit out etc.	
23	Cllr Vincent Jackson	That the HSE Please give me an update on the proposed Primary Health Centre for the Drimnagh Area of Dublin 12 this extensive community are waiting many years to see the dream of a local Primary centre come to reality.	
24	Cllr Tom Farrell	What are the future plans for HSE property in Castlepollard Co Westmeath.Castlepollard Community College are seeking to expand, would the HSE be prepared to discuss their Plans.	
25	Cllr Tom Farrell	Where does the proposed Palliative Care Unit fit into the Athlone Community Nursing Unit seeing that 2 nd bidder has	

		commenced engagement with the national PPP project office?	
26	Cllr Mark Leigh	Can the HSE give me an update on the trees I've asked to be cut at Dooley's tce, Athy before the nesting season?	
27	Cllr Mark Leigh	Can the HSE give me an update on what it intends to do with the vacant houses at McCauley Court in St Vincent's Hospital, Athy?	
28	Cllr Deirdre O Donovan	That the Manager reports on the current home care package supports being offered in the DML area, specifically highlighting; a) how much is spent every year on this service; b) how many constituents avail of the service; c) what is the average amount of hours allotted per constituent?; d) how often does the service provider fail to send a home help and does the provider still get paid when a carer isn't available?; e) what is the reporting mechanism for families who are let down by carers not turning up?	

6. Chairperson's Correspondence - Nil
7. Date and Time of next meeting:-

- Committee: Tuesday, 15th of March at 2:00pm.
- Forum: Tuesday, 19th of April at 2.00pm.



Signed:

Cllr. PJ Reilly
Chairperson