

# REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM

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## **Agenda** **Regional Health Forum South Meeting**

**Date:** Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2015 **Time:** 2.00pm  
**Venue:** Council Chambers, County Hall, Cork.

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2015.
2. Chairperson's Correspondence.
3. Committees – The next Committee Meetings will be held on:
  - Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> of October 2015 – South East Committee and
  - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> of October 2015 – South West Committee.

### **4. Notices of Motion**

- (a)** "Of the 40 extra nurses required for the CUH, how many of those are specifically required to open the CF unit."

**Cllr Damian Quigg**

- (b)** "To ask the HSE when will the people of Rathmore have a Doctor's Surgery provided in their town as the trip to Millstreet is too much for the sick and elderly people and sick children, this was promised and was to happen earlier in the year following my earlier motion."

**Cllr Danny Healy-Rae**

### **PLEASE REFER TO MOTION 5(E) SUBMITTED BY CLLR. JOHN JOE CULLOTY**

- (c)** "That a Capital Allocation be included in the 2016 HSE budget to implement structural changes identified in the recent HIQA report on Saint Patrick's Hospital, Cashel, so as to facilitate long stay residents and staff."

**Cllr. Tom Wood**

- (d) "That the HSE in developing its longer plans for a possible new Hospital in Cork involving an amalgamation of the South Infirmary/Victoria and Mercy University Hospitals, would ensure that existing infrastructure in those Hospitals would not be neglected and the investment would continue as required to maintain a high quality service in those hospitals."

**Cllr. John Sheehan**

- (e) "To call on the HSE to provide a GMS Service based in Rathmore. This should be done by setting up a Clinic with the Doctor who was awarded the GMS contract, or alternatively, put the contract back out to tender. Rathmore patients are being very much neglected by the HSE."

**Cllr. John Joe Culloty**

**PLEASE REFER TO MOTION 5(B) SUBMITTED BY CLLR. DANNY HEALY-RAE**

- (f) "Hospitals are given annual budgets!  
Is it true if they treat more patients than they had envisaged, exceed their budgets, are hospitals then penalised?"

**Cllr. Breda Gardner**

**5. Questions**

- (a) "Due to unforeseen staff shortages there will be a temporary reduction in the HSE North and South Lee Community Podiatry Service. Does this mean that those with diabetes will no longer be able to have the services of a podiatrist in the coming months?"

**Cllr. Mary Linehan Foley**

- (b) "The Ballinamult Health Centre Seskinane, Co. Waterford is no longer being used by the local GPs who have relocated to the Fourmilewater Health Centre near Ballymacarby, Co. Waterford. This is causing a great deal of stress for local residents without transport. The reason given by the GPs for the relocation is because broadband is not available in the Health Centre Seskinane. Is there broadband available in the Ballinamult Health Centre Seskinane? Is there any plans by the HSE to provide broadband to this health centre?"

**Cllr Mary Butler**

- (c) "To ask if all the same services will be provided in the new facility "Lee Wood", which is to replace "Lantern Lodge" in Killarney? Most importantly will the patients be provided with a lunch and showering facilities as they are totally dependent on these facilities?"

**Cllr Danny Healy-Rae**

- (d) "What measures will be taken to provide the necessary staffing levels at Saint Patrick's Hospital, Cashel and Our Lady's Hospital following the transfer of the Rehabilitation Unit and other beds to the new complex?"

**Cllr Tom Wood**

- (e)** "There are currently three x-ray rooms in Kerry General Hospital, why can patients not be x-rayed in the outpatients section instead of having to wait extraordinary lengths of time for x-rays?"

**Cllr. Damian Quigg**

- (f)** "In view of the fact that HIQA reported in June that the existing General/ENT Operating theatres in the South Infirmary/Victoria Hospital are not fit for purpose and need significant renovation, what are the HSE plans, in terms of funding and timescale for the renovation of these theatres?"

**Cllr. John Sheehan**

- (g)** "There are a large number of parents whose children appear to have long-term adverse reactions to the Anti-Cervical HPV Gardasil Vaccine. Has the HSE investigated this link, and if so, what are the findings?"

**Cllr. John Joe Culloty**

- (h)** "How much money is spent on the HSE yearly approximately?  
How much is spent on preventative medicine tackling its alcohol abuse, cigarette smoking and obesity?  
How do you see the sickness system can be turned into a genuine health system that could improve the level of well being in Ireland?"

**Cllr. Breda Gardner**

- (i)** "What is the commencement date for the new Hospital and developments at St. Patrick's, John's Hill, Waterford."

**Cllr. Davy Daniels**

6. Date and Time of next meeting – 5<sup>th</sup> November 2015, at 2pm in Council Chambers, County Hall, Cork