

Agenda Regional Health Forum South Meeting

Date: Thursday 7th November 2024 **Time:** 11am
Venue: Council Chambers, Cork County Hall, Victoria Cross, Cork

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday, 19th September 2024.
2. Chairperson's Correspondence
3. The next Committee Meetings will take place on:
 - South East Committee Meeting on 3rd December 2024 in Kilkenny
 - South West Committee Meeting on 5th December 2024 in Cork

4. Notices of Motion

- (a) "Can the HSE please advise if a new permanent building is in plans for the ambulance service in Midleton, to include but not limited to staff quarters, offices and secure locked dispensing units as they are currently working out of portacabins"
Cllr Ann Marie Ahern
- (b) "In order to achieve safe staffing levels as needed by frontline workers, to detail the amount of vacancies, including all current sick leave absences, maternity leave, career break and all other leave categories in Cork University Hospital. The full cost of filling all those vacancies, apart from sick leave, to ensure safe staffing levels."
Cllr Peter Horgan
- (c) "Can the HSE give the people of Waterford and the South East, a time frame, of when we will have complete 24/7 cardiac care , at University Hospital Waterford?"
Cllr Declan Barry
- (d) "That the current age restrictions for Breast Check [50 – 69 years] and Bowel Screening [59 – 69 years] be changed to allow those aged 70+ years of age to avail of these cancer screening services and that a comprehensive awareness and promotional campaign, similar to Breast Check, follow to encourage all women to be breast aware and have screening mammograms."
Cllr Norma Moriarty

- (e) "That this Forum supports the delivery of a standalone Oncology unit for cancer patients in the south west on the grounds of UHK and requests an urgent update regarding the timelines attached to the project, specifically requesting a completion date."

Cllr Mikey Sheehy

- (f) "I'm calling on the HSE to open a Dialysis Unit in Bantry General Hospital."

Cllr Danny Collins

- (g) "Could we be given a date for the full opening of the Cóbh Primary Care Centre including the existing Cóbh Medical Centre moving to this new Primary Care Centre in Ticknock, Cóbh."

Cllr Dominic Finn

- (h) "Asking HSE for full update on the future plans for St Raphael's Centre Youghal."

Cllr Mary Lenihan Foley

- (i) "To ask how many Caredocs operate a centralised call centre for patients trying to contact them and the rationale for same."

Cllr Fergal Browne

5. Questions

- (a) "To ask for the details of all HSE capital projects in Cork city and county currently underway, in planning, design phase."

Cllr Peter Horgan

- (b) "Can we please have an update on progress being made on securing a location and agreements for an additional ambulance base in Killorglin to help cover the Mid and South Kerry area more effectively?"

Cllr Norma Moriarty

- (c) "Following the recent launch and publication of the pharmacy task force report where the role of the community pharmacy is proposed to be greatly enhanced in the provision of primary care . What supports are the HSE giving to assist in the delivery of the task force recommendations."

Cllr Mikey Sheehy

- (d) "Are the HSE getting updates from the receiver who recently took over Aperee Nursing Home in Bantry? It's vital that this stays as a nursing home for years to come and as if it doesn't it will cause extra strains on Bantry General Hospital."

Cllr Danny Collins

8. Date and Time of next meeting – date to be confirmed in February 2025.