

# REGIONAL HEALTH FORUM

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

**Date:** **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015** **Time:** 2.00pm  
**Venue:** Council Chambers, County Hall, Cork.

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015.
2. Chairperson's Correspondence
  - Adoption of the Regional Health Forum Annual Report 2014.
3. Reports by Chairpersons of:
  - (a) South West Committee Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2015.
  - (b) South East Committee Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015.
4. **Notices of Motion**
  - (a) "That this Forum calls for immediate action to improve the HSE transport service to various Hospitals within our region as many users of the service have serious difficulties with it and how it operates."
  - Cllr Tom Wood**
  - (b) "To ask the HSE and/or the Minister for Health if funding will be considered to be made available for the construction of a much needed Day Centre in Youghal, Co Cork which currently has full valid planning permission and if a statement will be made on the matter."
  - Cllr Mary Lenihan Foley/Cllr Aaron O'Sullivan**
  - (c) "To ask the HSE South and the newly appointed G.P. for the Rathmore Area to provide a Surgery in Rathmore so that sick people can access their Doctor locally as many have difficulties travelling to Millstreet."
  - Cllr Danny Healy-Rae**

- (d) "That this forum calls on the HSE to instate a 24 hour 7 day a week ambulance cover for each of the four districts in County Wexford"

**Cllr James Browne/Cllr. George Lawlor  
/Cllr Frank Staples/Cllr Joe Sullivan**

- (e) "Could the HSE South please confirm the truth regarding the stance on Kilkreene Hospital? Are any theatres closing and are patients going to be asked to have elective surgery in Waterford hospital? Yes or No?"

**Cllr Breda Gardner**

- (f) "In light of the detrimental effects that the FEMPI (Financial Emergency Measures in the Public Interest Act) cuts are having on General Practice, particularly in rural areas, that the Regional Health Forum South call on the Minister for Health to reverse these cuts."

**Cllr John Joe Culloty**

## **5. Questions**

- (a) "What can be done to improve the staffing levels at Saint Patricks Hospital, Cashel recognised by some to be at crisis level. Is the HSE happy that the Agency Service which has the monopoly and often cannot supply is a safe service given the recent national focus on residential centres and safe practices"

**Cllr Tom Wood**

- (b) "Why are the HSE upsetting special needs people in Killarney by closing Lantern Lodge and Cluain Fhionnáin facilities in Killarney."

**Cllr Danny Healy-Rae**

- (c) "Can the management outline what role and commitment the newly appointed Rehabilitative Consultant will have to Cedar Unit (Young Chronic Sick Unit) in Farranlea Community Nursing Unit?"

**Cllr Dr John Sheehan**

6. Date and Time of next meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015, at 2pm in Council Chambers, County Hall, Cork.