

**REDDITCH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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23rd July 2012

**NOTICE OF MOTION – WORCESTERSHIRE JOINT SERVICES REVIEW**

Relevant Portfolio Holder(s)	Cllr Debbie Taylor
Relevant Head of Service	Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services
Not a Key Decision	

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 11 by Councillor Bill Hartnett:

*"This Council fully supports the community-led "Save the Alex" Campaign which is totally opposed to the closure of Accident & Emergency and Maternity services at the Alexandra Hospital.*

*It has been confirmed by Professor Rod Griffiths, the Independent Chair of The Joint Services Review Stakeholder Reference Board, at a public meeting on 21st June that the reason for the potential loss of services at the Alexandra Hospital is because going forward "we have a lot less money"*

*Encouraged by Professor Rod Griffiths' statements, Council agrees to write to the Health Minister, Andrew Lansley MP, requesting that the shortfall of funding for Worcestershire NHS, said to be £200 Million over 4 years or approximately £1 Million per week (of which the acute hospitals share is £50 Million), is funded by Government, thus safeguarding all services in the County.*

*Also requesting the Minister receives a delegation of leaders from Redditch Borough Council, Bromsgrove District Council, Stratford-on Avon District Council and the "Save The Alex" campaign so that we can make our case.*

*Further, the Chief Executive, the Leader of the Council and the Leader of the Opposition are tasked to:-*

*(1) vigorously represent the Council's position to Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Trust (WAHT), Worcestershire Health Care Trust (WHCT) and Worcestershire NHS;*

*(2) pursue with all Worcestershire and Neighbouring NHS Trusts all alternative organisational strategies which will safeguard services in Redditch; and*

*(3) join with any campaigns which advance and promote the Council's position."*

Proposed by: Cllr Bill Hartnett  
Seconded by: Cllr Carole Gandy