

Agenda Regional Health Forum South Meeting

Date: Thursday 5th October 2023. **Time:** 2pm
Venue: Council Chambers, Cork County Hall, Victoria Cross, Cork

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 15th of June 2023
2. Chairperson's Correspondence
3. The next Committee Meetings will take place on:
 - South East Committee Meeting on 17th of October 2023 in Kilkenny
 - South West Committee Meeting on 19th of October 2023 in Tralee

4. Notices of Motion

- (a) "Requesting an update on the HSE Centre on Main Street, Castlemartyr. It is in a prime location in the centre of a bustling village with a fast-growing population, which currently has no designated community meeting space. What are the plans for this building going forward?"

Cllr Susan McCarthy

- (b) "That this forum supports patients currently receiving Clozaril in our region. What plans are in place to facilitate these patients receiving their medication in the community where they live."

Cllr Mikey Sheehy

- (c) "To create a dedicated First Aid Schools officer in Cork, tasked with giving ALL primary schools & Secondary schools access to funded First Aid training for their pupils. Hands-on training and an increase in awareness will help save lives and give students confidence and a greater sense of wellbeing"

Cllr Audrey Buckley

- (d) "Can the HSE advise as to what measures will be put in place following the publication of the Nowhere to Turn Report by the Office of the Ombudsman for Children in terms of how can supports for children with disabilities be improved, will the HSE be adopting the recommendations in that report and will the HSE be working more closely with TUSLA in this regard."

Cllr Eileen Lynch

- (e) "That all possible be done to provide additional adult respite services in Kerry to accommodate the numbers of young men and women who need to access such a crucial service. Please also provide a breakdown of numbers of children who have accessed disability service respite care over the last five years and the numbers of those who at age 18 move out of that provision and are then to be catered for in adult services. (The comparable lack of adult provision to child provision highlights the need for more investment in the adult area.)"

Cllr Norma Moriarty

- (f) "What is the update on the Primary Care Centres that are due to be developed in Kerry and the time scale for them to be open to operation. Will the Killarney Primary Care clinic have a minor injuries clinic?"

Cllr Niall Kelleher

5. Questions

- (a) "How many active legal cases are currently being taken against the HSE in Kerry regarding the inappropriate care and prescribing of medication by CAHMS in the County?"

Cllr Mikey Sheehy

- (b) "Can the HSE please provide an update in relation to the completion of the extension and refurbishment works in St Josephs Community Hospital, Millstreet."

Cllr Eileen Lynch

- (c) "Can the South/South West Hospital Group provide increased funding to employ more interns as in some specialities there are 60 to 80 patients to 2 interns. Interns are working up to 65 hours per week and find it difficult to get cover if they want to take leave."

Cllr Pat Hayes

- (d) "Can a regular podiatry clinic be set up for south west Kerry?"

Cllr Norma Moriarty

- (e) "What's the HSE current plan regarding St Finians, and will there be a plan for St Columbanus and the Killarney District Hospital once the New Killarney Community Hospital is open."

Cllr Niall Kelleher

6. Date and Time of next meeting – 23rd November 2023 **at 2pm** (Please note time changed from 11am **to 2pm** due to availability of the Council Chambers).