

**Wiltshire Council**

**Cabinet**

**17 January 2012**

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**Public Participation**

**Statement from Mr Robert Hughes FRCS**

**Proposed Creation of Central Devizes Customer Access Point and the Closure of Browfort, Urchfont Manor and Bradley Road Buildings**

**Statement**

I have just heard that Urchfont Manor may be closed this year. I have been a student now for several years. It is an excellent centre for study. The thought of coming again this year and continuing my studies has kept me going through my very recent harrowing and painful treatment for cancer.

I feel the council needs to appreciate how important the services at Urchfont Manor are to people with many diverse challenges in their lives. The service to life long learning provided by Urchfont Manor are second to none.

Please consider ways to maintain the Manor such as becoming an independent trust as Higham Hall have done