Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee 14 September 2005

Kennet, North and West Wiltshire PCTs – Pathways for Change Service Review and Financial Recovery

The Committee Resolved to:

- (1) To thank the members of the public for making representations to the Committee.
- (2) To recognise the financial requirements placed on the PCTs and the need for action, and therefore on the balance of the difficulties presented, not to formally object to these closures at this time.
- (3) To continue our support for the delivery of modernised local health services through the Pathways for Change initiative, but to review the transition and development of these services by establishing a member task group in conjunction with the Patients Forums for Kennet, North and West Wiltshire, and in particular to focus initially on redistribution of current services and public information.
- (4) To appoint the following people to serve (names)
- (5) To ask the task group to report back in the first instance within 6 weeks on the implementation of the current proposals and then as a secondary activity to review the details of the Pathways for Change initiative to ensure this is in the best interests of the health community of Wiltshire.
- (6) To ask the Task Group to include, within its investigation, an assessment of any impact from these closures on the services provided through social care and the voluntary sector.
- (7) To ask the Chairman to write to the Audit Commission, the Strategic Health Authority, the Secretary of State for Health and the Independent Reconfiguration Panel, to formally express the view of the Committee regarding the need for the PCT to make cuts in services before the end of its Pathways for Change engagement process.