



## ***Council Executive***

West Lothian Civic Centre  
Howden South Road  
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23 June 2017

A meeting of the **Council Executive** of West Lothian Council will be held within the **Council Chambers, West Lothian Civic Centre** on **Wednesday 28 June 2017** at **11:30am** or at the conclusion of the Local Review Body, whichever is the later.

For Chief Executive

### **BUSINESS**

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Declarations of Interest - Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration at the meeting, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.
3. Order of Business

### **Public Items for Decision**

4. Paediatric Services at St John's Hospital - Report by Chief Executive (herewith).

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NOTE      **For further information please contact Eileen Rollo on 01506 281621 or email [eileen.rollo@westlothian.gov.uk](mailto:eileen.rollo@westlothian.gov.uk)**





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23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017

Mr Graham Hope  
Chief Executive  
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Dear Graham

**COUNCIL EXECUTIVE – SPECIAL MEETING**

Under Standing Order 5 I am calling a special meeting of Council Executive to deal with the following item of business:-

- Paediatric Services at St John's Hospital

Please arrange for the meeting to take place on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30 or at the conclusion of the Local Review Body.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Lawrence Fitzpatrick  
Leader of the Council





## **COUNCIL EXECUTIVE**

### **PAEDIATRIC SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S HOSPITAL**

#### **REPORT BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

##### **A. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To advise Council Executive of the reduction in Paediatric Services at St John's Hospital in Livingston commencing 7 July 2017.

##### **B. RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council Executive:

1. Notes the reduction in Paediatric Services which are due to take effect at St John's Hospital from 7 July 2017; and
2. Decides what action should be taken by the Council in relation to this issue.

##### **C. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

<b>I</b>	<b>Council Values</b>	Focusing on our customers' needs; being honest, open and accountable; working in partnership
<b>II</b>	<b>Policy and Legal (including Strategic Environmental Assessment, Equality Issues, Health or Risk Assessment)</b>	None
<b>III</b>	<b>Implications for Scheme of Delegations to Officers</b>	None
<b>IV</b>	<b>Impact on performance and performance Indicators</b>	None
<b>V</b>	<b>Relevance to Single Outcome Agreement</b>	None
<b>VI</b>	<b>Resources - (Financial, Staffing and Property)</b>	None
<b>VII</b>	<b>Consideration at PDSP</b>	None
<b>VIII</b>	<b>Other consultations</b>	Not required

##### **D. TERMS OF REPORT**

The Chief Officer: Acute Services wrote to the Chief Executive on 23 June 2017 to advise of changes to children's inpatient services in St John's Hospital, Livingston, due to take effect from 7 July 2017 (appendix 1).

This follows a reduced service in Paediatric Services at St John's Hospital in 2012 and 2015.

#### **E. CONCLUSION**

The Council is asked to note the reduction in Paediatric Services which is due to take effect at St John's Hospital from 7 July 2017, and also to decide what action should be taken by the Council in relation to this issue.

#### **F. BACKGROUND REFERENCES**

None.

Appendices/Attachments: Letter from Jacquie Campbell, Chief Officer: Acute Services, NHS Lothian

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**Graham Hope**  
**Chief Executive**

Date of meeting: 28 June 2017

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Dear Graham

### St John's Hospital Children's Ward

I am writing to let you know that, to ensure patient safety, the NHS Lothian Board has taken the difficult decision to make changes to the children's inpatient services in St John's Hospital.

From Friday 7 July the children's ward will operate as an assessment programmed investigation unit from Monday to Friday from 8am to 8pm.

As you know, NHS Lothian Board is fully committed to maintaining the paediatric inpatient ward at St John's Hospital and our children's services team have been working tirelessly to deliver a sustainable staffing solution. However, there are not enough doctors available to cover overnight and weekends for the summer months.

We will be making a public announcement on this decision this morning and are planning public awareness activity for next week. I would appreciate West Lothian Council's support in distributing information to families in the area. Our communications team will share the press release with your communications team this morning.

I am happy to discuss further.

Yours sincerely

**JACQUIE CAMPBELL**

Chief Officer : Acute Services

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