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REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF WIRRAL PCT

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## **PROCESS AND OUTCOMES OF THE PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE CAVENDISH MEDICAL CENTRE TO THE CLAUGHTON MEDICAL CENTRE SITE AT PARK ROAD NORTH BIRKENHEAD, WIRRAL**

### ***Executive Summary***

*This report informs Members about proposals to relocate Cavendish Medical Centre to a new building at Cloughton Medical Centre on Park Road North. The attached paper to Wirral PCT Board on 14 November 2006 provides full information about the consultation process and results.*

### **1 Background**

- 1.1 An initial report on the PCT's proposals to modernise its primary care facilities, including Cavendish Medical Centre, was submitted to the Social Care and Health Select Committee in September 2004.
- 1.2 The aim of the consultation was to seek the views of patients from the two practices and members of the public regarding the relocation of Cavendish Medical Centre to Park Road North in Birkenhead (approximately half a mile from the current location). The reason for relocation is predominantly that the premises occupied by Cavendish Medical Centre are no longer suitable for providing general medical services in primary care. The building does not meet Disability Discrimination Act Access requirements and there are no parking facilities at the current location.
- 1.3 If the proposal is agreed, Cavendish Medical Centre will be supported in relocating to the new premises. The building is scheduled to be complete by Summer 2007.

### **2 Summary of the Consultation**

- 2.1 The consultation involved distribution of 13,628 leaflets to all patients registered at the practices. An advertisement was placed in the Birkenhead News to advertise public meetings on the proposals. Only a few people attended the meetings. Of the 153 written responses received, 94% were agreeable to the relocation.
- 2.2 Wirral PCT Board meets on 14 November 2006, and the attached paper recommends that the Board should support the relocation of Cavendish

Medical Centre. The outcome of the Board will be reported to the next Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

### **3 Local Member Support Implications**

Cavendish Medical Centre is located in Bidston and St James ward, and Claughton Medical Centre is in Claughton ward.

### **4 Background Papers**

Wirral PCT – Proposals for the modernisation and development of primary care facilities within the PCT – report to the Social Care and Health Select Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2004.

### **5 Recommendations**

- 5.1 That the Committee notes the consultation on proposals to re-locate Cavendish Medical Centre.
- 5.2 That the Committee makes its formal response to the proposals.

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