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NOTES OF THE MEETING TO DISCUSS HAEMOPHILIA ACCOMMODATION MONDAY, 20TH DECEMBER, 1999 AT 9.00 A.M.

Present: Mr J Davies, Mr T Heywood, Professor A Burnett,
Dr P Collins, Mrs H Cottrell, Mr D McGee, Mr P Wilson

Mrs J Morgan, MP, Dr D Lloyd, AM Plaid Cymru,
Mr G Lewis, Mr D Morgan, Mr I Tumulty, Mrs J Wallace

1. **Introductions and Welcome:**

Jonathon Davies welcomed those present and explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss plans for a proposed new Haemophilia Unit within UHW.

2. **To consider design plans for a proposed new Haemophilia Facility:**

Those present discussed the plans in some detail and the following issues were raised:

- 2.1. The potential to create a covered walkway and allow access to the Unit from the Upper Ground floor near Radiology was discussed. David McGee confirmed that the costs could double the overall scheme cost and as such it was likely to be financially impractical. It was also operationally very difficult as the walkway would need to pass by the external windows of existing offices and patient treatment areas and there would therefore be problems of light and ventilation for these rooms.

The issues surrounding access were discussed and it was agreed to consider entrance via Trauma and the service lifts to the new Haemophilia Unit. It was agreed that following on from the meeting, interested parties would look at this potential alternative access.

- 2.2. The S W Haemophilia Group were concerned that access to the two treatment rooms remained available from the Haematology Day Unit and this in their view undermined the position of a dedicated Haemophilia Unit. Following discussion it was agreed that one of the treatment rooms would have dedicated use for Haemophilia and therefore would not be accessed from the Haematology Day Unit. The second treatment room would require to be available on a shared basis. A new treatment room would be created within the Haematology Day Unit as a result of the Haemophilia Unit vacating an office.
- 2.3. It was noted that discussions had taken place with APCOA and that dedicated car parking should be available close to the old Emergency Admissions.

It was also noted that if access was through Trauma, parking was available for emergency use, and there was always the opportunity to effect a drop off if no parking spaces were available.

- 2.4. Peter Collins confirmed that he had made arrangements for a dedicated Haemophilia wheelchair to be available at the Porters' lodge for patients who accessed the Unit from the old Emergency Admissions. This however might be superseded by events if access through Trauma was preferred.

3. To discuss Options for financing the scheme:

- 3.1. Jonathon Davies outlined the financial proposals, which were as follows:

<u>£50,000*</u>	Available from Drug Companies
<u>£25,000</u>	Haemophilia Outpatient Fund
<u>£10,000</u>	Drug Companies with whom the Trust is undertaking trials
<u>£85,000</u>	
<u>£25,000**</u>	Arthur Bloom Fund
<u>£110,000</u>	
*	The £50,000 will be made available in two sums of £25,000 in January 2000 and January 2001
**	With regard to the Arthur Bloom Fund, Trustees will be consulted in mid January to establish if the terms of the Fund are appropriate.

- 3.2. Discussion ensued regarding the potential for the Trust to fund from exchequer resources a portion of the building or to match fund Endowment sources. Jonathon Davies explained that given Trust's current financial position it would not be possible for the Trust to commit revenue resources. The total cost of the scheme was £140,000 and Jonathon Davies agreed to explore ways in which the deficit could be met. It was noted that there may be potential for the drug company money to be "gift aided" and that Heather Cottrell would check on the appropriateness of obtaining tax returns on the sums of money. Jonathon Davies confirmed that the Estates Department would waive the design fees of £8,000 which would be an important contribution to the deficit. Jonathon Davies confirmed that the Trust would proceed with the scheme design and await the outcome of the Arthur Bloom funding.

4. To discuss planning and construction timetables:

David McGee confirmed that it would take four weeks for detailed design plans to be prepared and a further sixteen weeks for tender and scheme work to be undertaken. The scheme was intended to be complete by the latter part of June 2000.

5. Next Steps:

- 5.1. Interested parties would visit the Trauma Unit entrance to establish if this was a preferred access to the new Unit.
- 5.2. Detailed planning would be undertaken by the Trust's Estates Department in the four weeks after Christmas.

- 5.3. It was agreed that the Patient Group would obtain ongoing feedback from Peter Collins in relation to the scheme progress.
- 5.4. Jonathon Davies thanked those present for their contribution to the discussion.