

Report on	Draft Response to NH&SCT Consultation-Working with you to Transform Acute Maternity Services Consultation
Date of Meeting	9 th February 2023
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Is this report restricted for confidential business?	Yes	
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	The purpose of this report is to seek approval from elected members of the draft consultation response developed on behalf of Mid Ulster District Council in response to the consultation on Working with you to Transform Acute Maternity Services Consultation.
2.0	Background
2.1	Members were informed of this consultation at the December 2022 Full Council. Members requested that a consultation response be developed on behalf of Council.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	This draft consultation response states that the Council does not provide support and is opposed to the Trust's proposals to centralise maternity services to Antrim Area Hospital.
3.2	The response has been informed by a workshop held with elected members on 25 th January.
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: None
	Human: None
	Risk Management:

4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: External response. Screening not required. Consultation has been screened by the Trust.
	Rural Needs Implications: External response. Impact Assessment not proportionate. A RNIA has been completed by the Trust.
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	It is recommended that Council approve the draft response.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A: Draft Consultation Response: NH&SCT Consultation-Working with you to Transform Acute Maternity Services Consultation