

# Ealing Labour

## **Save Our Hospitals Motion**

passed at Full Council  
4<sup>th</sup> April 2017

The Council notes the maternity unit at Ealing hospital was closed in July 2015.

The Council notes the children's ward at Ealing hospital was closed in June 2016.

The Council notes that in December 2016 the NHS published a business case that sees blue-light ambulances, critical care and potentially all surgery removed from Ealing Hospital by 2022. As part of the plans the NHS aims to save more than £1 billion over 10 years.

The Council notes that there are currently 288 beds at Ealing hospital. However, if the 'Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP)' is implemented, there will be only 50 beds remaining – a cut of over 80%. This means that of the 500 beds due to be removed across North West London, nearly half of the cuts fall on Ealing hospital alone.

The Council believes that a 50-bed hospital, with no surgery, no critical care, no acute beds, no blue-light ambulances, no A&E, no maternity unit and no children's ward is not in fact a 'hospital' any resident of the Borough would recognise.

The Council believes these changes will result in the closure of Ealing District General Hospital and its A&E, followed by its replacement with a day-care clinic and minor injuries unit.

The Council believes that residents deserve full and easy access to health services across the Borough and that it is the role of the Council to fight to protect our NHS where it is under threat to ensure better health outcomes for all residents.

The Council resolves to resist the closure of Ealing & Charing Cross Hospitals and will support local campaigns to Save Our Hospitals across North West London.

The Council agrees that the Group Leaders communicate to the Secretary of State for Health the continued opposition of Ealing Council to the plans outlined above.