

Fiona Cameron - Operational Director

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Sent: 27 November 2002 10:05
To: Fiona Cameron - Operational Director; sommerville gordon (J82161) Dr Sommerville & Partners
Subject: Good Morning

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2. Concerns about the patients being sent inappropriately to Sultan from Hospitals Trust. The practice had seen some people that they had to re admit who were more complex than the doctors or ward were able to cope with. However they felt that it was for the GPs not to accept such patients, some patients were not well described by Hospitals Trust and there was a problem, but not insurmountable. Felt that they should support their colleagues in Gosport!
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Gordon I hope this is a true representation of the meeting please add or change as necessary.

Margaret Smith

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Thanks - I would just add how very supportive of Sultan ward they felt, and how they are keen to ensure it's survival as a GP ward.

From talking individually to GPs in Gosport, I detect much more enthusiasm for Sultan ward and GWM in general than one would expect from reading the minutes of the Gosport Medical Committee. Some definitely felt under pressure to show a united front, but in private would not wish to withdraw from Sultan ward.

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