

The Authority APPROVED the proposal.

142/86 PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

Mrs Perriam introduced the report of the meeting of the Performance Assessment Committee held on 2nd June 1986 (copy filed with the minutes). The attached terms of reference were APPROVED by the Authority and Members noted the results of the survey on cross-boundary flows of patients. Mrs Perriam pointed out that the volume of services currently provided by the District almost exactly matched the total volume of service received by the District's residents. When services at Ham Green and Manor Park were returned, however, this balance would be altered in favour of a higher volume provided by the District. Professor Rhys Davies emphasised that this was a numerical and not a financial balance. Mr Hucklesby said that reimbursement under RAWP was made on a patient day basis which substantially recognised the higher costs of complex treatments.

Dr. Kelly noted that the District could not regard itself as a centre of excellence and yet stop admitting patients from outside the District. He also noted the out-patient waiting times for physiotherapy in Weston and questioned whether the superintendant physiotherapist had been replaced. Dr. Roylance said he was unable to answer this at present but agreed to provide all Members with the regular publication of the in an out-patient waiting times.

143/86 POLICY PLANNING AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The reports of the meetings of the Policy Planning and Resources Committee held on 23rd May and 4th June were introduced by Mr Smith (copies filed with the minutes). The Authority APPROVED the recommendations of the first meeting to:-

- i) pursue no longer a proposal to contract in surgical services
- ii) issue honorary contracts to clinical staff only with prior certification by the Medical Personnel Officer
- iii) delete the proposed developments of the Dental Hospital and ambulance stations from the capital programme for the strategic planning period and bring forward the gynaecology improvements
- iv) implement the Korner strategy
- v) issue a consultation document on the change of use of Weston Royal Hospital. The submission to the Regional Health Authority would include a full option appraisal

Dr. Walters noted Dr. Kelly's comments concerning Hospital Practitioner Grade posts and agreed to review these within the Changing Clinical Needs Working Party at the same time as Clinical Assistants. The Authority also APPROVED the recommendation of the second meeting to approve the joint mental handicap strategy discussed at the last Authority meeting with the exception of the provisions concerning the financing, staffing and management of residential services. It was noted that the General Manager would be meeting with the Director of Social Services and other officers to discuss the unresolved issues in the strategy. The Authority accepted the PPRC recommendations to:-

- i) resolve outstanding issues concerning the provision of consultant and other specialist psychiatric skills in the care of mentally handicapped persons as an integral part of the strategy for mental health services
- ii) authorise officers to examine the consequences of the proposed charging mechanisms on the speed and sequence of transfer of clients to the community in Bristol and Weston.