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### **Review Panel responds to the future hospital planning decision**

**The Future Hospital Review Panel will be holding a public hearing with the Minister for the Environment – which he has agreed in public – in light of his decision to reject the future hospital planning application.**

The date and time of the public hearing will be confirmed in due course.

Deputy Kevin Pamplin, Chairman of the Future Hospital Review Panel said:

“In light of the Environment Minister’s decision to reject the future hospital planning application, we will be holding a public hearing with him as soon as possible to discuss in more detail the reasoning behind his decision. This decision will have a significant impact on any future States decision which the Chief Minister has committed to bring before the States Assembly. As a Scrutiny Panel we want to make sure that the general public and States members can have confidence in the Environment Minister’s decision.

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#### **Notes to editors**

More information about the Future Hospital Review Panel can be found here:  
<https://statesassembly.gov.je/Scrutiny/Pages/ScrutinyPanel.aspx?panelId=35>.

More information about the planning decision can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.je/News/2019/Pages/NewHospitalPlanningDecision.aspx>



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