

**Cabinet 17 December 2024**  
**Henley Short Stay Hub beds**  
**Appendix 1-Motion Agreed by Council 05/11/2024**

1. Council agreed the following motion by Councillor at its meeting on 05/11/2024
  - a) In December Oxfordshire County Council removed seven beds from the Chiltern care home without any consultation with the GP's, Henley Town Council or the community of South Oxfordshire. This lack of consultation by the Council is unacceptable and must not be repeated.
  - b) These beds were originally provided as 'NHS beds'.
  - c) Following FOI requests to the Integrated Care Board Buckinghamshire Oxfordshire Berkshire West (ICB BOB) and the Council, it has been established that these beds are NHS beds funded by the ICB, this Council and the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust. They should not therefore have been closed without full and proper public consultation.
  - d) Dr Broughton interim Chief Executive of the ICB BOB states 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 : "The beds have not 'lost NHS funding', "The beds continued to be overseen by the Oxford University Hospital Hub team."
  - e) These beds are therefore NHS beds which cannot be removed without consultation.
  - f) This Council:
    1. Deplores the beds' removal without said consultation.
    2. Believes that a full and objective account as to why these beds, which serve a population of 140,000 of South Oxfordshire, were removed and what replacement measures have since been taken.
  - g) This Council requests that Cabinet:
    3. Asks partners to seek to account for the reasons why the seven Chiltern Court Beds serving South Oxfordshire cannot be reinstated, bearing in mind the new measures that have since been in place and, in the absence of such an account, take steps to reinstate them.
    4. Conduct all necessary public consultations