



Motion 1 – Response to NHS Reports

Astley Ainslie Community Trust acknowledges the publication by NHS Lothian in early April 2022 of their Lothian Strategic Development Framework, which mentions plans to vacate the Astley Ainslie site in the 2024-2025 timeframe. It also notes the reported dissolution of the League of Friends of the Astley Ainslie Hospital. It is aware of the growing understanding that access to green space has a valuable part to play in maintaining public health and in limiting pressure on certain services provided by the NHS.

Considering these points, and keeping AACT's original goal of community ownership or control of the site in mind, AACT and its Executive Committee seek a mandate from its members to work towards continuing to develop a positive and supportive relationship with NHS Lothian, at all levels, in order to promote the broader interests of the community while the NHS remain on the site. This would always consider the interests of the patients and NHS staff.