

Appendix 1

The following points were relayed in a telephone call on 10 May 2007 by Geraint Davies, Director of Corporate Affairs & Service Development for the South East Coast Ambulance Service:

- The Ambulance Trust has been actively involved in discussions with both the hospital Trust and the PCT about the MTW reconfiguration plans.
- The additional capital and revenue resources that the Ambulance Trust requires in order to cope with reconfiguration have been clearly identified. They need one extra ambulance vehicle and crew.
- The consultants that were involved in identifying the additional resource requirements, Operational Research in Health (ORH) Ltd, are recognised as leaders in the field of identifying the ambulance-resource implications of hospital reconfigurations.
- The Ambulance Trust will be happy to share ORH's report with the NHS OSC. It's not a confidential document.