P-05-1018 Support for the current proposed plans to build a new Velindre Cancer Centre, Cardiff, in any future inquiry

This petition was submitted by Natasha Hamilton-Ash having collected a total of 11,392 signatures.

Text of Petition:

We the undersigned call on the Welsh Government to support the current proposed plans to build a new Velindre Cancer Centre at Whitchurch, Cardiff.

The current plan will ensure that Velindre Cancer Centre continues to provide specialist cancer services in a location that is more accessible to patients, with better access from Junction 32 of the M4. It is widely accepted that hospitals set within a natural setting aids patient recovery and lowers the stress levels of families and staff at hospitals.

Additional Information:

The current location lacks adequate parking and accessed is often delayed causing additional stress and anxiety to patients. The 60 year-old Velindre Cancer Centre does not have the facilities or space to meet this future challenge.

We want a space that blends medical care with nature.

The last couple of decades have seen a major development of research into the impact of architectural design on the success of healthcare environments.

One example is 'healing architecture'. The term 'healing architecture' was first coined in the 1980s, and is a specific discipline of the 'healing environment', which investigates the influence of the environment on patients' healing and recovery process. Research shows that patients could be discharged earlier, and needed fewer painkillers post-surgery, if they were in rooms with a view of a park with trees. Later studies demonstrated that such factors are important not only for the well-being of patients and residents, but for employees as well.

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