

General Comments

I believe that the NHS is one of this Country's greatest assets & can attest to its efficiency & effectiveness. My family have benefitted enormously, particularly my youngest daughter who is disabled. I feel that the NHS is in great danger from the present (& previous) government's method of a death of a thousand cuts resulting in their target of creeping privatisation. North Devon's road network is poor & slow & I feel that increased journey times to reach Exeter or Taunton would have serious results.

I have attended a RED LINE demonstration at NDDH & also the SOHS South Molton Public Meeting.

1. I do not believe that cuts of £550 million are achievable without serious harm to services.

2. No!

I must point out that a prospective Councillor I do not have detailed knowledge of how a Country Council influences funding

3. No.

4. No, it is not feasible. I work part time in a care home & have seen how badly the Social Care/ NHS model is now working.

5. No. See comment for question 2. Increasing public awareness of these issues is essential.

6. I cannot comment on a debate when I was not present & have not seen the minutes.

However pressure from Councillors & public awareness can be useful.

7. Constant questions & pressure to ensure all requested data is available.

8. My campaign is very low key & does not include literature, however if elected I would liaise closely with groups such as SOHS persistently bring up & question all these matters at Council & Committee meetings.

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