

LEWISHAM HOSPITAL



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There will be a £30 billion shortfall across the whole NHS by 2020 and 25-30% cuts over 5 years. Staff wages are being cut and hospitals and services closed. The NHS is also undergoing a costly and chaotic reorganisation that no one voted for. It is being denationalised and replaced with disconnected, competing healthcare providers. The selling of cancer and end of life services in mid-Staffs to bidders such as Virgin Healthcare is the latest example.



LEWISHAM HOSPITAL: CONTINUING THREATS

We predict that the funding squeeze will lead to cuts and closures of some of our NHS services. As long as the government puts cuts before people's health, the threat to Lewisham Hospital continues. That's why our campaign to protect our hospital must continue.

PFI DEBTS AND PRIVATISATION

The extortionate private finance initiative (PFI) payments, which escalate every year, add to the financial burdens on Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust. Money should be spent on patient care, not on crippling repayments which drain money from the NHS to enrich private financiers. The other major threat is privatisation. Lewisham CCG is under pressure to contract out NHS services to the private sector, undermining and fragmenting our local services.

LEWISHAM LETTERS TO MONITOR

Lewisham residents have written thousands of letters to Monitor, the government organisation in charge of organising competition and privatisation, demanding that Lewisham services stay within the NHS. Over 2000 letters have been handed in to Monitor already. Please make sure you sign one.

THE GOOD NEWS IS PEOPLE ARE FIGHTING BACK

We are fighting back in Lewisham and campaigners are marching across England this summer by following the footsteps of the historic Jarrow marchers, this time to defend the NHS. Join the Save Lewisham Hospital Campaign to welcome and support the marchers. Please join all our activities this summer.

DISCO/BINGO FUNDRAISER AT RIVOLI BALLROOM

Friday 24 October 2014 at 7.30pm

Come along to have a fun night out & raise money for the SLH campaign

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