

Further to FB post advising points for Scrutiny to consider, here are mine:

1. A year ago the "Cost" was detailed as £800Mill, which was £500M building etc, £50Mill new equipment, = £550 Mill,
To which was added £250,000,000 "contingency expenses", which no-one queried..., although way, way bigger than normal 10% contingency.
2. The latest cost has now managed to hide most of the £250Mill "slush fund..."
3. The Hospital lot cannot even state how many new beds Jsy gets for £800Mill. (I have heard just 60) Madness.
4. I have heard of several other new hospitals, being built on flat sites (as Overdale will be) larger etc, and costing Half of £800Mill.
Has anyone seriously looked at the cost v Other New Hospitals?? (Former Assistant Chief Minister Chris Taylor talked to one in France, who said they could build very substantially cheaper. Anyone talked to CT??)
5. "Super highway" costing? £20M? Is not necessary.
Drive up the Bowling Club hill (Westmount Hill).
2 lanes all the way... with pavements, and wide enough for an ambulance to get up, even with a car coming down the other way.
6. Facts. How many times / week does an ambulance come into the hospital with life threatening cases on board??
I suspect 2 or 3 / week.
Which means Westmount road is fine as is.
7. £50Mill for New Equipment?? So everything must suddenly be replaced?? Seriously.
8. £800,000,000 will saddle our children with debt for their lives. Utter madness.