

Proposed Wheelchairs (Short-term access) (Scotland) Bill

Notice of Motion

Motion received in terms of Standing Order No 19 on 11 June 2019, proposed by Councillor Monique McAdams, seconded by Councillor Gerry Convery, as follows:-

“That South Lanarkshire Council:-

- 1 support the Proposed Wheelchairs (Short-term access) (Scotland) Bill to ensure the provision of wheelchairs to anyone assessed as needing one on a short-term, as well as on a long-term, basis;
- 2 look at ensuring there is a joined up service between South Lanarkshire Council Social Work department, Glasgow and Edinburgh Sick Kids to ensure smooth discharge; and
- 3 improve signposting for services and aids available to families to ensure safety of the carer and vulnerable child in their home at any hospital a South Lanarkshire constituent is referred to.

At present there is no duty on the NHS, or any other public body, to provide short-term wheelchairs for anyone with a mobility problem that is expected to last for less than 6 months.”