Re-provisioning of services at Kirklandside’s Rowallan Ward

We are proposing to re-provision services at Rowallan Ward in Kirklandside Hospital, and are currently seeking views on possible options for doing this. If you would like to tell us your ideas, you may find the information below helpful.

What do we currently do?

- Rowallan Ward at Kirklandside Hospital provides consultant-led inpatient services for frail elderly patients from the Kilmarnock area. The ward supports people who require continuing, complex care.

The need to change

The needs of the population are rising and becoming more complex as people live longer. It is clear that current models of care will not be sustainable into the future.

We have taken the opportunity to comprehensively review how our services best meet the needs and expectations of patients and families. East Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership has embarked on an ambitious three-year programme of service change, to help people to live longer, healthier lives at home, or in a homely setting.

As part of this programme, we have reviewed the services provided in community hospitals. Nursing care has always been delivered to a high standard at Rowallan Ward in Kirklandside. However, the environment means that we have been unable to provide modern care that meets quality, dignity and privacy requirements for our patients.

Our review concluded that to meet required standards of care, new ways of working must be introduced so that we can deliver fair, quality, efficient and effective services.

At this stage, we are developing options to allow us to deliver high quality continuing complex care for people in Kilmarnock.

Tell us what you think

We will inform and engage with people from Kilmarnock. This will be shaped by a stakeholder reference group that we formed in January, which includes
representatives from the public, older people’s advocacy services, local voluntary sector, as well as clinicians, staff and managers. If you would like to tell us your views or ideas please contact Irene Campbell, Programme Improvement Manager on 01563 503330 or email irene.campbell2@aapct.scot.nhs.uk.

We are committed to ensuring that everyone who wishes to comment can do so.