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Proposed Closure of Methven Branch Surgery

This Council notes with great concern the proposal to close the Methven Branch Surgery with patients to be offered care at Victoria Practice, Glover Street in the centre of Perth instead. Such a move would cause significant inconvenience and disruption to patients who have been attending Methven branch surgery, especially those who rely on public transport or who are mobility impaired. At a time also of increasing population migration into West Perth, this closure would be a hugely unwelcome development.

This Council calls on the Leader of the Council and the Leaders of all other political groups within Perth & Kinross Council on behalf of those families affected by this latest proposal, to write jointly to the practice managers, NHS Tayside Primary Care Services and Perth & Kinross Health and Social Care Partnership to request an urgent meeting to discuss alternative options for the primary care of the 1500 patients in the Methven area.