



Being the Best Public Consultation Meeting

Date: 31st October 2012 **Venue:** The George Hotel of Stamford

Questions raised by:

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1	Can you explain why when an ambulance is called for an emergency the NHS send out a Paramedic in a community response vehicle as the 1 st Responder, who upon arrival at the scene then stops the target response clock (8 mins to arrive by) also a defibrillator trained person is also classed as a 1 st Responder but a patient can wait an hour, sometimes much longer for the actual ambulance to arrive with two personnel on board who can deal with the situation. Why does this happen?
2	What is the % of emergencies stopped by first response?
3	Re Stand-by Points – When an emergency is called, where will the replacement ambulance come from and how long will it take to replace the ambulance that is called out to an emergency? Bearing in mind that a replacement ambulance will not be allowed to use Blues & Two's to travel to the standby point? Also bearing in mind that when the emergency involved a child, the NHS have been redirecting the children to other hospitals further a field and not Grantham Hospital because I believe they are surreptitiously trying to cut down the children's services at Grantham Hospital, so that's an even greater distance and time that an ambulance will be required for. So will you have enough staff to cover all the standby points in Lincolnshire ALL of the time?
4	If you are short of funding why don't you go back under the Lincolnshire County Council like the Police and Fire?
5	As Grantham and the surrounding rural population is approximately 40,000 people, why is this is the only consultation meeting here in Grantham when a lot of the public are unable to attend during the daytime working hours. Will you provide another meeting at a more suitable time?
6	Why is Grantham with a population of 40,000 (including rural areas) and growing by 16,000 over the next 10 to 15 years not being considered for a HUB instead of just a Standby Point?