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Statement of Compliance to Eliminate Mixed Sex Accommodation

St Luke's Hospice fully supports the Governments requirements to eliminate mixed sex accommodation and sees meeting the standard as a key element of providing care in a manner of privacy and dignity.

In 2012 St Luke's completed a new build and redevelopment of its In Patient Centre (IPC) providing a state of the art environment consisting of fourteen single en suite rooms and two multi occupancy rooms.

Each of the single rooms is fitted out to a very high standard giving space, peace and environmental control to patients, families and friends. They all also have sleeping facilities for relatives and friends who wish to stay with their loved ones.

The multi occupancy rooms are used to meet patient preferences and clinical need but remain single sex occupancy

It is important that the patients in single rooms still have the opportunity for social interaction with their fellow patients and a number of social spaces are maintained on the In Patient Centre to allow for this.

St Luke's does have a spa room facility which accommodates one user at a time. This facility is available for use by both female and male patients.

We have completed a review and I am pleased to confirm and give positive assurance that St Luke's remains fully compliant with this standard.

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