Is Brighton General Hospital being SOLD OFF?

While BGH on Elm Grove no longer has any inpatient beds there are many day and outpatient services based there that mean the site is busy with clients and patients.

There have been rumours about this hospital site for some time...an academy school? More housing (like the old nurses home next door to the hospital)... 

Now Sussex Community Foundation Trust says that they have money from the One Public Estate Programme to look at uses for BGH. This will include working with other NHS providers and local authorities as well as commissioners.

There is a bit more information from the Greater Brighton Economic Board meeting in October 2016 – which lists plans for several property sites around the city including BGH:

*Brighton General Hospital: redevelopment of the site to include a new health and care campus, new housing and a range of community uses.*

What we do know is that selling off of NHS estates has become big business and secured profits for many private companies. Have a look at this article on Open Democracy about PropCo – a company formed to free public bodies of their ‘surplus estates’. Funny that, thought that public estate was just that: public estate. Not anymore as Deborah Harrington points out in 2015.


If you’re concerned, lobby your councillor, ask questions of your MP, attend public board meetings, follow Sussex Defend the NHS.

Workers Sub Group, December 2016.