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Birth plea heard

THE Wellington Hospital Board is looking for a property for an out-of-hospital birth centre.

It decided to do this yesterday after submissions from Birth and Beyond — a group which advocates an alternative to hospital births.

The board considered the group's proposal in the non-public section of the meeting but issued a short statement later.

"The Birth and Beyond group is seeking to establish an out-of-hospital birth centre in Wellington city," the statement said.

"The board resolved to investigate the availability of property and to see whether the board had any suitable accommodation which might meet the needs of the group."