

Isle of Wight Urology Cancer Support Group

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Why not ask for a scan

I have recently spoken to a friend that had been diagnosed with prostate cancer, his PSA had read at 4.7, he had a biopsy which gave the following result.

Gleason 3 + 4 Left Lobe 10% Right Lobe 5%

Based on this result he was offered all options of treatment. He had initially considering surgery but I advised him that after my experience that he should check as far as possible that the cancer was contained within the prostate otherwise he may require radiotherapy after the surgery as in my case. He agreed and pressed for an MRI scan. the result was that the scan showed no sign of the cancer and he is now continuing on a watchful waiting basis,

I heard on television recently that the cost to the hospital of an MRI scan is approximately £800, perhaps this is why he had to press for this check.

If this could save you from any of the other treatment options, from experience I can advise you it is worth while.

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