

SCOTTISH ROUND-UP

Glad 'death pathway' scrapped



THE son of a woman placed on the Liverpool Care Pathway last night welcomed the scrapping of the practice in Scotland.

But he also hit out at the Scottish authorities for not doing it sooner.

Critics have labelled the use of the LCP a "death pathway".

The medical procedure has already been phased out in England after a review earlier this year found it has sometimes been misused.

Now the Scottish Government has taken the decision to scrap it

based on recommendations by the Living and Dying Well National Advisory Group.

Last night Peter Tulloch — who has launched legal proceedings against NHS Lothian for a number of issues in his mother Jean's (pictured left) death in 2012, including the use of the LCP — said: "If people's concerns had been addressed earlier then a lot of suffering could have been avoided.

"It is at least some vindication in my fight for justice."