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Dear Alan,

Thank you for your letter dated August 10th.

We have reviewed our decision making regarding Emsworth Victoria Cottage Hospital and can confirm that we declared the land surplus to requirements after the practice signalled to us that they wished to move to Redlands Grange. However since then members of my team have spoken to you, Emsworth Health Action and Emsworth Community Forum and we have also been in discussion with Emsworth Medical Practice who now say that they may have to reconsider their plans for the Redlands Grange move.

As a result we have written to NHS Property Services this week to inform them that the site is no longer surplus to requirements for health purposes and to inform them that South Eastern Hampshire CCG would also like to withdraw the property from the vacant space handback process. We also explored the option of NHS Property Services (NHSPS) extending the deadline for bids for the Emsworth Victoria Cottage Hospital site to allow more time for the practice and community groups to discuss the future use of the site. Unfortunately NHS Property Services have said this is not possible, hence our decision as above.

The CCG will now pick up responsibility for the void costs of retaining the facility, while further discussions with the Practice take place. This cost will be £116,000 per annum, so we will be hoping for your support and that of the practice and local community groups to move forward quickly with plans for the site.

We have offered the practice support in the development of a detailed options appraisal and business case and have committed to engage in open dialogue with local community groups as this process proceeds. Sara Tiller, my local Managing Director, will attend the public meeting tonight and we are also pleased to attend your round table meeting in September and will continue to work with you as plans develop.

Yours sincerely,

Maggie Maclsaac
Chief Executive, Hampshire & Isle of Wight CCG Partnership