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Southport and Formby Clinical Commissioning Group**

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Dear Derek

Re: Sefton Council Local Plan

Following ongoing liaison with the Local Plans Team from Sefton Council, I am able to confirm the following points on behalf of both the Southport & Formby and South Sefton CCGs:

- The CCG's have met with the Council on a number of occasions to review the proposals contained in its Local Plan and understands the proposed levels of growth outlined in the plan. It is understood that new housing, and subsequent population/demographic change, will occur over the next 15 years and the potential impact on health facilities [including hospitals, GP surgeries and dentists] will be gradual. This will enable the CCG to anticipate any necessary changes to services and facilities to accommodate increasing demand, although this will require changes to existing models to ensure delivery within available financial resources.
- The CCGs are currently undertaking a review of how it provides local health services across Sefton, including the potential consolidation of facilities and buildings into larger premises. This review will take account of growth and demographic change that is likely to occur, in part due to the Local Plan.
- The CCGs will continue to work closely with Sefton Council Planning Department and others to share information, including predicting the implications of demographic change, identify opportunities for new facilities and to explore the potential for contributions from developers towards health infrastructure.

Yours sincerely

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