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To: HVCCG, Communications (NHS HERTS VALLEYS CCG)
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Dear CC Group

I have been following the plans for improved hospital provision for residents of our area. I have attended a meeting held by you to inform the public of your proposals. At that meeting, in Hemel Hempstead, I understood that you were considering proposals for a new hospital towards the centre of the area served by you. I now understand that that proposal has been binned. I don't pretend to understand the contorted reasoning process but I protest most strongly.

I do not feel consulted or listened to. I am a stakeholder in this matter and I do not feel served in any way by your intentions. I attended your Watford Hospital this week and was shocked and appalled at the state of the place. It needs blowing up. I fully support the plans of the Herts Valley Hospital Group and believe that they are both feasible and affordable. They have asked me to append their reasoning to this email:

1. The 4 options presented by the CCG & Trust at the public meeting on the 7th of March and also replicated here <http://www.hertsvalleyshospital.co.uk/shendishmeeting/> **do NOT have my support**
2. I believe that the process used, and data available to the evaluation panel (who it was incorrectly indicated supported these options), had **not been given sufficient information (including financial) to enable them to make an informed decision**
3. I believe that the removal of a greenfield site from the shortlist is wrong and it **does not have my support**
4. 98.7% of 400 respondents to a survey conducted in January 2019 by HertsValleysHospital.co.uk agreed that "the Main Hospital for West Herts should be located somewhere in the centre of the area it serves?" **I agree with that.**

I therefore urge the CCG, trust and evaluation panel to take the following action:

- 1 Halt the current process and fully re-consider options during the forthcoming purdah period
- 2 Ensure that the affordability, quality, patient experience, access, deliverability, value for money and strategic alignment are corrected to align with the views at the public meeting on the 7th of March and those previously that the plans do not have the public support.

Yours sincerely

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