Dear Mr Elkeles,

Response to public consultation

I am responding to your engagement on the future of acute services at my local hospital. I believe it’s crucial for my community that St Helier retains its acute services and any funding available is used to improve St Helier Hospital on its current site at Rose Hill, providing St Helier’s acute services are not at threat.

There are also many young families who have a great need for a consultant led maternity unit and fully functioning Accident and Emergency unit. I therefore oppose the closure of any services at St Helier Hospital.

In Lower Morden we have very few health services in the local area. Our local walk-in centre has been closed. We already have so little that it would be wrong to shut St Helier or reduce any of its services. This would be a terrible blow to our local community. Jobs would be lost locally and people would not be able to travel to Belmont or Epsom. Instead we would either be unable to access health services or we would put further pressure on St George’s Hospital.

We trust in you to make the right decision - which is to keep St Helier Hospital where it is with all of its acute services and to ensure that the previously promised improvements from umpteen consultations now take place.

Thank you for listening to my views.

Yours Faithfully,

[Signatures and addresses redacted]