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Dear BUL

Thank you for your letter dated 5 July on behalf of the Petitions Committee regarding the above Petition from Mandy Howells in respect of the closure of Blaina and District Hospital.

The planning and provision of health services for local populations is the responsibility of the Local Health Board (LHB), in this case Aneurin Bevan LHB is responsible for the planning and provision of these services including those previously provided by Blaina and District Hospital. These are difficult decisions to make and Local Health Boards are best placed to do so, given their local knowledge.

I understand from Aneurin Bevan LHB that, following public consultation, Blaina and District Hospital closed nine months ago.

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