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Dear Mr Powell

Petition P-04-494 Robotic Assisted Laparoscopic Prostatectomy Must be Made Available to Men in Wales Now

Thank you for your letter dated 6th August 2015 regarding the Petition received from Professor Kevin Davies MBE in relation to the above issue. Please accept my sincere apologies for the delay in responding to you.

To answer the specific questions you pose:

- 1. I would be grateful if you could let the Committee know the total cost of referral of patients to Manchester for these procedures.***

The Health Board's referral costs are as follows:

- 10 BCUHB Patients had robotic surgery at the Christie in Manchester in 2014/15 at a cost of £51,216.
- 30 BCUHB Patients had robotic surgery at Wirral University Teaching Hospital in 2014/15 at a cost of £135,157.

- 2. I would also be grateful if you could let the Committee know the Health Board's estimate of what would be the cost of providing these procedures at a location within the Health Board area in North Wales.***

It is not possible to give a definitive total cost for undertaking such procedures in North Wales as this would require detailed work to identify the staff time associated with the work, cost of theatres, wards etc. However some costs are known as follows:

- Initial purchase of Robotic Device, training and the associated maintenance agreement - £2m of capital expenditure.
- Ongoing cost of additional consumables (inc limited use instruments (10 patient uses) and single use camera covers, drapes etc.) £1,500 per patient



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I trust that this information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Dean', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Simon Dean
Interim Chief Executive