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Re Petition P04-479 Tywyn Memorial Hospital X-ray and Minor Injuries Unit Petition.

Dear Kayleigh,

Thank you for sending to me a copy of the correspondence which you received from Gary Doherty, Chief Executive, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board.

We feel that the correspondence has provided comprehensive information regarding the drive behind the changes that were proposed to the provision of Health Care in North Wales during 2012. In terms of providing a response to the Petition Committee's question of how the Health Board have addressed the CHC's recommendation of providing the Population of Tywyn with a strategy for accessing alternative Minor Injuries Services outside the opening hours of Tywyn Memorial Hospital, we are pleased to say that we are satisfied that this question has been answered in the outline of Access to Services which has been provided by the Health Board in this correspondence. We are pleased to see that the opening hours of the Minor Injuries Unit are defined and that there is an increase of availability of the Service during the peak season when it is usual to expect a rather large increase in the local population.

We are pleased to note that the Health Board has a (Local Enhanced Service) in place with the GP's Practice for the provision of Minor Injuries Service (five days per week)

We are pleased to be notified that the nearest Hospital Hub which provides a Minor Injuries Service outside the opening hours of Tywyn Hospital will have its opening hours extended on a permanent basis.

We are extremely pleased and very grateful that the Health Board will now communicate the routes of access to Minor Injuries Services to the population through publicising in Tywyn Medical Centre and within Tywyn Hospital and the Minor Injury Unit as it has long been an issue of concern locally. We would like to politely request a notification when the publications are in place.

We would like to extend our grateful thanks and appreciation to the Petition's Committee for the work that it has undertaken, on our behalf, in order to receive this considered response from Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board.

We consider that we are very fortunate that Tywyn Memorial Hospital has been regenerated to the extent that it has been and that the Community has been able to retain the X-ray Unit and the Minor Injuries as part of its consistent and sustainable Health Care Services.

Yours Sincerely, Miss Jennifer Windsor (Lead Petitioner)
South Meirionnydd Older People's Forum.