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David J Rowlands AM - Chair National Assembly for Wales's Petitions Committee BY FMAIL ONLY

Dear Mr Rowlands

Petition P-04-564 Restoration of Inpatient Beds, Minor Injuries Cover and X-Ray Unit to the Ffestiniog Memorial Hospital

North Wales Community Health Council welcomes the January 2018 report of the Petitions Committee.

North Wales CHC strongly supports both of the Committee's conclusions and we also share the view that the local scrutiny process initiated by the Gwynedd Council's Care Scrutiny Committee will be the best way to investigate and address the concerns of the local community and to restore public confidence in the decision-making process.

For its part, the CHC is keen to fully co-operate with any independent report. It is vitally important that Betsi Cadwaladr UHB also engage in this process willingly and openly and is prepared to act on the recommendations and learn from past errors. We would expect that the Health Board's response to the Petitions Committee will give such an assurance.

Yours sincerely

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