



Eich cyf/Your ref P-06-1287
Ein cyf/Our ref EM/02332/22

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Dear Jack,

Thank you for your letter of 14 June on behalf of the petition committee regarding Petition P-06-1287 - Investigate C&V UHB's refusal to keep north Penarth's surgery, allocating patients to distant GPs.

I appreciate the concerns raised. There are currently huge pressures on all parts of the health service, including primary care and GP practices are facing exceptional levels of increased demand.

I am aware that the Albert Road practice had given notice on their contract due to the building being sold. The General Medical Services Contract Regulations set out the notice period that is necessary for practices to give on contracts and each health board has procedures in place in such an occurrence to plan how services will be provided for patients going forward. The sustainability of general medical services remains a key priority for Cardiff & Vale University Health Board.

The health board primary care team are proactively working with the practice to ensure patients have been dispersed into neighbouring practices, by agreement, based on available capacity. The primary care team continues to provide support to the practice and work with the practices to monitor the impact of the dispersal on access to services for patients.

The consideration of future plans to develop a new build integrated health and care centre for the Cogan area are still under review, with ongoing discussions between the Health Board and Local Authority. I understand that options continue to be tested in terms of the preferred way forward.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

I hope this information is helpful.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. E. Morgan'.

Eluned Morgan AS/MS

Y Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol
Minister for Health and Social Services