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Dear Diana, Heather, James, and Jeanette

**RE: Oxfordshire Transformation Programme**

Many thanks for your time earlier in the year exploring the implications of the Phase 1 consultation and what proposals may emerge in the future as part of the transformation programme.

I said I would drop you a note before the end of the year to update you on developments; this is that note. I will also write to you again in the New Year when we are clear about how we would like to involve the District and City Councils further.

With regard to the consultation from January – April 2017; the Judicial Review brought by Cherwell District Council and others was heard in the High Court on 6 & 7 December and the judgement (delivered 21 December) was in favour of the OCCG. However, there are several areas in the judgement of which we need to be mindful in future consultations and the CCG will undertake to build in to any consultation process.

The referral from the Oxfordshire JHOSC to the Secretary of State for Health, made in August 2017, is still pending. At some point we expect the Secretary of State to request advice from the Independent Reconfiguration Panel.

In the meantime the CCG has agreed to maintain the provisions of the temporary closure of the obstetric service at the Horton General Hospital and to continue to recruit middle grade obstetric doctors.

We are currently considering how we could best engage the public in 2018. We held a workshop, led by local clinical staff, on 5 December at which we considered what the foreseeable issues were and how we could address these issues. I have attached a paper in which we have described the deliberations and recommendations arising from the workshop. This paper was considered by the Oxfordshire Transformation Board on 19 December.

I would like to contact you again in the New Year to consider how we might best engage the public and their representatives in our explanation of the challenges ahead.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Simon Angelides', written in a cursive style.

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