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Dear Gideon

Re: The Laurels Medical Practice, St Ann's Road

I am writing to you in connection with the above, Jill Shattock, my deputy, can provide a further briefing at the OSC update meeting next week.

As you will remember from previous processes there are currently two GP Practices operating from the Laurels Health Living Centre. This briefing below relates to the practice that is currently being operated by the Bridge House Medical Practice, who were the successful bidder when the revised contract was opened to caretaking arrangements following the cessation of the Walk in Service.

Bridge House have indicated that following partnership changes, they do not wish to extend the arrangement. The PCT is, therefore, looking for a high performing and committed practice to take on the role for a defined period as a caretaker practice prior to a formal procurement. All Haringey practices have been contacted and invited to submit an expression of interest to run The Laurels on a temporary basis.

In order to provide additional support over the next 6 weeks while the new arrangements are enacted, a package of support at the Laurels in terms of an experienced senior GP and additional practice management is being provided to the Bridge House Practice. This will help with the transition and communications for staff and patients.

Formal communications are being drafted for wider circulation to both staff and patients, there is absolutely no intention to change the current terms and provision from what is currently being offered at the practice but there will be changes to the GP personnel but the intention is to keep the transition as smooth as possible.

If you need any further information please let me know.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

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

Andrew Williams
Interim Borough Director
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Cc: Lisa Redfern, Deputy Director of Adult and Community Services