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Dear Duane

3Ts Development & Research & Development

We are pleased to offer our support for the full business case for the 3Ts development proposals for the hospital. As one of the 19 Trusts in the UK to have a National Institute for Research funded Clinical Research Facility it is crucial that we not only retain these facilities but also update them to support advancements in medical research. The R&D Investment objectives and facilities as set out in the case will offer research benefits to the organisation going forward. The proposal to re-provide an enhanced Clinical Research Facility and academic laboratory facilities in the scheme will support the development of the Trust's and Medical School's research strategy by enabling more experimental research and clinical investigations to take place.

In addition to the bespoke research facilities the overall development will be more conducive to patients taking part in research studies. Access to modern imaging facilities and other clinical support services will make it easier to co-ordinate research into priority health areas such as stroke, and neurology, bringing benefits these studies offer to patients.

Yours sincerely



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