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Mr Duane Passman
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Dear Duane,

Re: 3Ts Project – Vital Resource for our Patients, Locality and Community

The proposed scheme to build and create a Teaching, Trauma and Tertiary Centre as set out in the 3Ts project is vital because:

1. Geographically set in the heart of the Kemp Town/Brighton area means that the hospital is not only accessible by major roads but also by already existing excellent public transport.
2. The geographical location also means that the hospital is set within the heart of a long established local community. Whilst the hospital serves an ever wider catchment it is also ‘owned’ by the local community, which value its proximity and supports the myriad services that it offers.
3. The support offered by the very local community mean that patients can be supported by locally based volunteers as well as by locally based faith communities.
4. Kemp Town and Brighton is home to a very diverse population, which means there are a wide variety of faith and belief communities that are able to support those patients who use the services. The proximity of the hospital to where the faith communities are based means that members of the faith communities are very willing to come into the hospital to offer their support.
5. The hospital is linked to one of the leading Medical Schools, and the diverse backgrounds of students matches the diverse community. The energy and enthusiasm that medical students bring to the life of the hospital is key in providing a healthy care environment that feels enthused and enlivened by diversity.
6. The faith communities have been very ready to be involved in helping to plan how patients and relatives will be supported, especially when more patients will be coming from an ever greater distance to receive the trauma care that the hospital will provide.

Patients, relatives, volunteers, staff and our local community will undoubtedly benefit from an established diverse community wanting to support the needs of those the hospital serves. A vital resource at a vital time in people’s lives.

Yours sincerely,

Revd Canon Peter Wells
Lead Chaplain
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