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Dear William,

Thank you for your letter of 29 February on behalf of the Petitions Committee regarding petition P-04-564: Restoration of Inpatient Beds, Minor Injuries Cover and X-Ray Unit to the Ffestiniog Memorial Hospital.

My position remains as I outlined in my most recent letters to both to the Petitions Committee (16 December 2015) and to Mr Geraint Jones, chair of the Ffestiniog Memorial Hospital Defence Committee (11 January 2016). The defence committee's outstanding concerns need to be resolved locally with the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board.

I wrote to the chair of the health board, Dr Peter Higson on 11 January, asking him to look into the issues raised. I understand the health board has been in contact with the defence committee and Dr Higson and Geoff Lang, the health board's executive director of strategy were meeting with the town council and the defence committee on 15 March.

Best wishes,

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