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Dear Mark,

I write to you regarding the 'Future Fit' service reconfiguration proposals at Shrewsbury and Telford. As you will know, the Wrekin and Telford Council referred the Hospital Transformation Programme to my predecessor in 2019.

In 2019, the decision of the Secretary of State, based on the recommendations of the Independent Reconfiguration Panel, was to consolidate the A&E services onto the Shrewsbury site and to operate an A&E Local from the Telford site. The previous Secretary of State asked NHS England to provide advice on how emergency care at Princess Royal Hospital can be delivered through an A&E Local in Telford.

The previous Secretary of State gave his final decision in October 2019 and asked for the reconfiguration to go ahead without further delay. This decision has not changed.

The Minister of State for Health, Ed Argar, has discussed this matter with Pauline Phillips (National Director of Urgent and Emergency Care at NHSEI) and Mark Cubbon (Chief Delivery Officer, NHSEI) and they are aligned with the position which has been set out.

I want to take this opportunity to ask you for a progress update and in particular to set out publicly the services that will be delivered at Telford under this proposal.

I am copying this letter to Amanda Pritchard.

Yours ever,

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