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Dear Colleague

Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting – 5 February 2010

At the meeting of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 30 October 2009 the Committee considered the subject of Dover Healthcare and passed the following resolution:

“RESOLVED that the Committee support the PCT in moving forward with an affordable and rapidly deliverable option for a healthcare facility in Dover and that they be invited to attend the February meeting of the Committee to update Members on progress.”

The Committee would be interested in hearing from all stakeholders with a view to answering the following question on behalf of the people of Kent, “What is happening about a new hospital in Dover?”

Specifically, the Committee would like to receive information from you in advance of the meeting answering the following questions:-

1. Can the Committee have an update on what progress has been made in moving forward with an affordable and rapidly deliverable option for a healthcare facility in Dover?
2. What is the future timeline for this project?
3. What are the outstanding issues that require further work?

The Committee is requesting information from Dover District Council, NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent, East Kent Hospitals NHS University Foundation Trust, The Environment Agency, and the Kent LINK. We appreciate that not everyone will be

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able to necessarily provide information to assist in answering all the above questions.

We would like to receive any written submissions for the February meeting by **midday, Wednesday 27 January 2010**. This will enable its inclusion in the Agenda which is produced prior to each meeting and made available to the public.

If when sending any written documentation to me you could let me know who will be attending the meeting I would be most grateful.

The meeting itself will take place at Sessions House on Friday, 5 February 2010 and will begin at 10 O'clock in the morning.

If you would like to discuss further the contents of the written submission, please contact Tristan Godfrey, Research Officer to the HOSC, on 01622 694196 or send an email to tristan.godfrey@kent.gov.uk. I attach a set of submission guidelines that may be helpful to you.

Kind regards

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