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The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP Secretary of State for Health and Social Care Department of Health and Social Care Ministerial Correspondence and Public Enquiries Unit 39 Victoria Street London SW1H 0EU

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Dear Sajid,

Re: Rebuild of Weybridge Hospital Site

I write to ask for your support to ensure NHS property services receive the support and funding required to deliver the rebuild of the Weybridge hospital site in my constituency.

As you may be aware, Weybridge Hospital burnt down in a catastrophic fire in 2017. The hospital housed a walk-in centre, GP surgeries and provided vital community health services to residents in Weybridge and the surrounding area. The two GP services which remain on site have had to operate out of portacabins, and while they provide an excellent service with the resources they have, this is not sustainable nor sufficient to meet local need, and five years is already too long to have waited.

The project to rebuild the site and deliver wider regeneration in the town is a joint partnership between the NHS, Surrey County Council, with input from Elmbridge Borough Council. However the original property was self-insured by the NHS, meaning the funds required for the rebuild must be identified by the Department and released to NHS Property Services for this project to be able to proceed.

Resident consultation has been ongoing and plans are being prepared. It is absolutely vital that all aspects of this project are taken forward at pace to rebuild and deliver the long awaiting local health services which are desperately needed in Weybridge and beyond. I would therefore ask if you could help me in supporting efforts to ensure funding is identified and released as soon as possible so this essential project can proceed.

I would be grateful if you could meet with me to discuss this further, and help with knocking down any barriers to the delivery of medical care for my constituents.

Yours Ever,

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Dr Ben Spencer MP Runnymede and Weybridge