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Dear Mr Rigby,

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Further to my submission dated 16th January 2017 I would like to make an additional point in respect of healthcare provision.

On 5th April 2017 I met with Sarah Moore, Practise Manager at Parc Canol GP surgery in my constituency. Parc Canol is a major healthcare service provider, with surgeries in Church Village, Beddau and Cragiau (in the Cardiff West Constituency). Together these serve constituents along the A473 (main Road) corridor from Tonteg to Llantwit Fardre.

At our meeting we discussed the shortfall of approximately 300 patient appointments each week. There are a number of contributory factors, but the most significant is the rise in patient numbers as a result of a number of new housing developments in the area.

My understanding is that the practise has not been consulted in respect of proposed future developments, but if they had been it is clear to me that they would be opposed. It is easy to understand why. The 600 home Ystrad Barwig development could potentially add c.1800 people to the practise's patient list.

In view of this new information I would ask that a robust analysis of healthcare provision in the area is undertaken before any final decision on the Ystrad Barwig development is made. This analysis should factor in those developments – such as the 900 home Cwm Coke Works site – which have already been granted planning approval.

Yours sincerely,