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Subject: Future Dreams House

Good morning Laura

I was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2011 and had a mastectomy and reconstruction using my stomach tissue. I subsequently underwent another 6 months of treatment at the Royal Marsden Hospital in Chelsea - who were all brilliant. I am in remission.

Having a place to go to where you don't have to pretend to be ok and where everyone else at that place knows what you are going through is invaluable enabling you to relax and 'let out' any emotions. When you are trying to stay strong to support your loved ones as they struggle with the knowledge that you may not be around, it's nice to be able to get away to a place where you can allow yourself to feel and heal.

Having access to holistic touch therapies and talking therapies is so healing and helps you to relax which is vital for recovery, also getting things off your chest (to a third party) without scaring your loved ones is vital - I believe, for swift healing.

The Haven having to close down is a tragedy as I know so many breast cancer patients who have had so much help from there. I don't think having just one place to go in a huge city like London, when we are having to deal with physical and mental anxiety is too much to ask of the council, as breast cancer one of the most prolific cancers in the UK today, many thousands of women are affected at any one time.

We are getting better at treating and early detection, but there is a greater need to support the patients and their families during and after as we try to re-build our lives, careers and relationships that have been detrimentally affected.

I respectfully ask you to grant planning permission for Future Dreams House to become a reality as soon as possible. There is a great need and the people who run Future Dreams do an amazing job, helping to support people they don't even know. Blessings to them.

Blessings also to you.

Warmest wishes

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"All that we are arises with our thoughts. With our thoughts, we make the world." - The ${\bf Buddha}$