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Mr Jonathan McClue
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Dear Mr McClue,

Stephenson House, 75 Hampstead Road, NW1 2PL
Submission of an application for planning permission for use of part of
Stephenson House as flexible temporary sleeping accommodation (sui
generis)/residential units

We write to fully support the Submission of the above application which is essential for patients attending our Proton Beam Therapy (PBT) Unit, particularly the paediatric and TYA (teenage and young adult) cohort, which will open in Autumn 2020.

Our PBT facility is one of only two national facilities, is a project of national importance, and is funded by NHS England. The other PBT facility is located in Manchester at The Christie NHS Foundation Trust.

Patient treatment will typically involve an initial assessment period lasting a few days following which patients will be invited to attend a daily treatment period of six to eight weeks. The daily attendance coupled with the national coverage of the PBT programme means that we need to find accommodation for an estimated 135 patients at one time during the treatment period and, to meet patient need, this needs to be in self-contained accommodation to provide patients with a "home from home" environment.

Whilst the majority of patients can be accommodated within a 45 minute journey time, a small element estimated at 19 patients, primarily the paediatric and TYA cohort, need to be within a short (10 minute) walk of UCH for the reasons explained in the Submission.

The market units in Stephenson House provide an ideal facility to meet the bulk of this need, comprising 11 of the estimated 19 units. Despite a lengthy local search (summarised in the attached table) we have been unable to identify any suitable alternative facilities within the 10 minute walking distance of UCH. This makes the ability to use Stephenson House units both urgent and critical to meeting our patient need as part of this nationally important project.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Laura Churchward', written in a cursive style.

Laura Churchward
Director of Strategy