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Dear Sian

Re: STRATEGIC OUTLINE CASE FOR SOUTH WALES ADULT THORACIC SURGICAL CENTRE

Further to your letter of 16 August 2021, I am writing to confirm WAST's support for the Strategic Outline Case for the South Wales Adult Thoracic Surgical Centre, on the basis that WAST is provider of patient transport across the region and Wales as whole.

The SOC does not contain a great deal of detail about ambulance transport at this stage. So in support of this case going forward we will need to fully understand the expected ambulance activity to determine any WAST resources required. Whilst we do not expect this development to result in a significant increase in ambulance activity, based on the current patient numbers in the SOC, there may be some additional resource required due to the increase in patient transfers and journey times required, particularly from the South East. This will therefore need to be built into the next step of the capital business case process.

Rachel Marsh and our Planning Team will continue to support you on this further detail, and we will be able to model the impact as required.

Thank you for the opportunity to review the SOC and we look forward to working with you on the next stage of this exciting development for the people of South Wales.

Yours sincerely

Dr Brendan Lloyd
Executive Medical Director / Interim Deputy Chief Executive Officer

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