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Mrs Janet Finch Saunders MS Chair Petitions Committee Senedd Cymru/Welsh Parliament By email: petitions@senedd.wales

Dear Mrs Finch-Saunders

P-05-1001 Hold an independent inquiry into the choice of site for the proposed new Velindre Cancer Centre

P-05-1018 Support for the current proposed plans to build a new Velindre Cancer Centre, Cardiff, in any future inquiry

Thank you for your letter of 25 September 2020, on behalf of the Petitions Committee in relation to the above named petitions.

I am pleased to confirm Hywel Dda University Health Board's support for the development of a new Velindre Cancer Centre to provide specialist care, as the old site is 60 years old. With advances in medicine and technology, it is imperative that we continue to develop and improve our services to incorporate a state of the art facility to cater for cancer patients in Wales.

The ideal location for a Cancer Centre would be to co-exist with an acute hospital; this would enable timely transfer of patients to the acute site should the situation arise.

Although the proposed new site is more accessible to patients due to its proximity to the M4 corridor, its position predominantly caters to patients in east Wales, and so access to the specialist services offered by this new development will need to be considered for the population of mid and west to ensure equity of care.

I trust this satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely

Steve Moore Chief Executive

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