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Dear Mr Westlake,

**RECONFIGURATION OF TORRINGTON COMMUNITY HOSPITAL –
REFERRAL FROM DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL HEALTH AND
WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Thank you for your letter of 21 July 2016 referring proposals to THE Secretary of State concerning the reconfiguration of inpatient beds at the Torrington Community Hospital.

I am today writing to the Independent Reconfiguration Panel (IRP) asking them to undertake an initial assessment of your referral.

Should the IRP advise me that a full review is necessary, you will have the chance to present your case to them in full.

I have asked the Panel to report to me no later than Friday 23rd September.

I am copying this letter to The Lord Ribeiro, Chair of the IRP.

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Hunt

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