

## St. Margaret of Scotland Hospice

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Dear Ms Brankin,

## St Margaret of Scotland Hospice (Petition PE1105)

Thank you for your request for information regarding discussions which have taken place between the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board and Hospice following Des McNulty MSP's Members Business on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

I met with the Chairman of the Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS Board at my initiative at the end of March 2010 and he said there would be a proposal for the Hospice if we would meet again on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2010. No proposal was made at that meeting and we were told that something would be forthcoming if we waited until June. I met again with him again at my request on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2010. Yet again there was no proposal other than the Board considering matters further for several months. I have expressed my concern both verbally and in writing at the Health Board's failure to engage as promised by them and as directed by the Cabinet Secretary.

It is greatly appreciated that the petition is still being considered.

Yours sincerely

Professor Leo Martin Chairman