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I refer to your email of 17th December.

In response to the questions asked

- The impact of a reduction in continuing care on St Margaret's funding will depend on the alternative model of care provided in its place. Any new service would require different staffing, incur different costs and hence require a different level of income.
- Funding to Hospices is provided in accordance with NHS HDL (2003) 18 and this is not on a per bed basis. Hospices provide a range of different services not only inpatient beds and it would be inappropriate to base funding solely on one aspect of service.

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