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Councillor R Bowden Leader of the Council

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Dear Andy

Many thanks for your comments, input and cooperative town-wide approach at the meeting regarding a new hospital. As agreed we will now vigorously move forward the project. On our side we will investigate the land holding issues and the Cockhedge Site and will work closely with the hospital to ensure there is a 'one estate' strategy for Warrington and Halton.

As agreed I would be grateful if you could urgently investigate development support funding of £500k in order that a detailed business case can be developed and that you spoke with Ministers regarding ensuring the project is given national priority — to reflect the government's focus on the North.

Finally, I would like to remind you of my offer to meet with both of our Members of Parliament in order to discuss the financial and demand pressures faced by the Council, the budget position and our approach regarding commercial investments.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Russ Bowden

Leader, Warrington Borough Council

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