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Updates on local health provision

Dear Alice,

I'm getting in touch to share an update with you on local health provision.

New hospital for Milton Keynes

Since I was elected as your MP, I have worked tirelessly alongside Chris Curtis MP and Emily Darlington MP to advocate for the proposed new hospital in Milton Keynes to go ahead. This week the Health Secretary confirmed that the Women's and Children's Hospital at Milton Keynes University Hospital will be delivered, boosting NHS capacity across the entire local area.

After many years of speculation, we are moving from words to actions, and construction is expected to begin in 2027-2028. The new facility will provide an extra 185 extra beds and will allow the hospital to improve patient experience across the board.

Lace Hill Medical Centre

I've also been working hard to deliver the Lace Hill Medical Centre in Buckingham, which has been in the pipeline for a decade.

I've met with the Swan Practice, Montpelier (the developer leading on this project), and the Chief Executive and interim Chief Medical Officer of the Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire & West Berkshire Integrated Care Board – to stress the importance of Lace Hill for our local community.

In addition, I've written to Stephen Kinnock MP (Minister of State for Care) highlighting the urgent need for Government, NHS England, and the District Valuer to collaborate and get this project started.

Here's where we are now:

- Montpellier has submitted a planning application to Buckinghamshire Council.
- The Swan Practice has submitted its business case to NHS England who are working with the District Valuer to finalise the financial details.
- I have written to both Buckinghamshire Council's Planning Department and NHS England asking them to act with urgency on this vital project for our town.

I will continue to do my best to drive Lace Hill forward. As soon as I hear more on the medical centre, I will share the news widely with local stakeholders.

Please get in touch

Families and communities across the towns, villages and city that make up the Buckingham and Bletchley constituency suffer from some of the longest waiting times in the country.

We all know things needs to change, and I am hoping the news I have shared shows my dedication to improving health outcomes for residents.

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If there is anything else I can help with, please don't hesitate to drop me an email at <u>Callum.Anderson.MP@parliament.UK</u>.

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