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Dear Hollie

REQUEST FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) SCOPING OPINION UNDER THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017 (AS AMENDED)

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On behalf of North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust, please find enclosed the EIA Scoping Report (HBH001-WSP-SW-ZZ-RP-EN-000001), prepared by WSP UK Ltd in connection with the proposed redevelopment of Hinchingbrooke Hospital.

As you will be aware, HDC adopted an EIA Scoping Opinion in October 2025, based on the EIA Scoping Report prepared by WSP in August 2025. Since that time, further design development has resulted in a number of changes to the proposed redevelopment and associated site boundary.

The enclosed should therefore be read alongside the 2025 EIA Scoping Report and Scoping Opinion. It provides details of the revised proposals and seeks a revised EIA Scoping Opinion to inform the preparation of the Environmental Statement which will accompany the future planning application for the hospital redevelopment.

In summary, the principal changes comprise:-

- omission of the lower ground floor from the new hospital building;
- inclusion of land at Views Common for temporary use as a contractor's compound;
- removal of the northern car park deck / temporary multi-storey car park;
- removal of the proposed surface car parking on the Constabulary Land from the hospital redevelopment proposals and their delivery through a discrete planning application;
- addition of an energy centre to the north of the main hospital

building;
- relocation of the ambulance deck to the south-east of the main hospital building; and
- Advancing an application for transformers and switch room associated with a new electrical main intake for the Hospital's electricity supply
- consequential revisions to the site boundary.

As previously discussed and agreed with HDC, the Constabulary Land proposals are being progressed separately as a discrete standalone planning application.

This reflects the need for the additional car parking to be delivered in advance of the main hospital redevelopment, so that existing levels of hospital parking can be maintained throughout the enabling and construction phases.

Accordingly, the Constabulary Land application does not form part of the revised proposed development for the purposes of the forthcoming hospital planning application. It will instead be treated as a committed development within the cumulative effects assessment of the Environmental Statement.

The enclosed report provides the full details and assessment of these matters.

We would be grateful if HDC could consider the submitted information and provide its revised EIA Scoping Opinion accordingly. Please let us know if you require any further information in the meantime.

We respectfully request that the local planning authority consult the relevant statutory consultees and provide a formal Scoping Opinion within the statutory period.

Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me using the details above.

Yours faithfully,

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Paul O'Neill
Director

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