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Dear Denise,

Thank you for attending the INEL JHOSC's meeting on 6th November 2019 alongside your colleagues Dr. Dee Hora and Johanna Moss. I would also like to thank Dr. Dee Hora and Nick Strouthidis, Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon for attending the INEL JHOSC's meeting on 19th September 2019.

Councillors were keen to hear about the about Moorfields Eye Hospital's public consultation regarding the proposal to move the hospital from its current location on City Road to a new building just north of King's Cross and St. Pancras stations in 2025.

The Committee responded positively to the plans and is very supportive of the proposed move.

Committee members made some points around travel times to the new site. However, the Committee noted that travel analysis had shown only a three-minute increase in journey times overall, compared to the current site.

The Committee was encouraged that Moorfields Eye Hospital officers had already started to address some of the transport concerns raised in the consultation. For example:

- a group of visually impaired patients had already tested the walking route from Kings Cross station to the site and work on the route had also been undertaken with the RNIB.
- engagement work with Transport for London and the London Borough of Camden was already underway to improve bus routes to the new site.

The Committee would expect this work to continue.



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After visiting Moorfields Eye Hospital with the Chair of the Outer North East London (ONEL) JHOSC and other Councillors, it was clear that the current location would not be suitable for patients going forward. A new hospital at the location proposed would greatly benefit patients and staff in the future.

The Committee expects to be kept informed about the plans over the next few years if the proposed plans are approved. The Committee looks forward to seeing you or your colleagues in the future.

Once again, sincerest thanks for the sharing of your time and expertise with the Committee.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'W Vaughan'.

Councillor Winston Vaughan, Chair of the INEL JHOSC