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Sent: 13 April 2010 12:59
To: Tandra Forster
Cc: June Graves
Subject: FW: Priory = Draft Letter 'Risk Sharing Agreement'
Importance: High

Hi Tandra

I have added a little more to the letter, which from my perspective the SHA Board may need - you will be able to judge as to whether or not this is appropriate for WBC.

I am now off to Bristol but back in the morning if you would like to talk through.

Best wishes.

Heather

From: Tandra Forster [mailto:TForster@westberks.gov.uk]
Sent: 13 April 2010 10:38
To: Heather Bowman
Cc: June Graves
Subject: Priory = Draft Letter 'Risk Sharing Agreement'
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Hi Heather

See attached a draft letter, as discussed with June, for your input.

Please can you also confirm who it should be addressed to.

Many thanks
Tandra

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Heather Bowman

Interim Managing Director

Dear

The Priory Extra Care Housing Project – Risk Sharing Agreement

I am writing to you at this time, to confirm the Council's commitment and support for the Priory project in Hungerford. This is given as a reflection of the ongoing partnership working between our two organisations and seen as a further step in strengthening our working relationship, building on the success of other projects. – *as this is a pilot there is little understanding of this particularly at Board level.*

You will be aware that the Council has been working to agree the Heads of Terms for entering into a Risk Sharing Agreement with Sovereign South+West . However, this is new ground for us and has meant that we have needed a more detailed consultation process and will therefore, be subject to the full Executive cycle. The need to ensure it is agreed through the appropriate processes means that it will not be possible to reach a final decision until 12th June 2010.

I understand that this may present difficulties to the project timelines, Most specifically I understand the need to go to Public Consultation at the end of May 2010, to allow the submission of a full Planning Application by September 2010 and give the opportunity to submit a grant application to the Housing and Communities Agency by the end of March 2011.

Please be assured that the Council is committed to the development of extra care housing at the Priory, which is integral to modernising care & support services for older people in West Berkshire. The Priory Project will offer much needed capacity and ensure that services available to residents in the west of the district.

I hope that this letter goes some way to re-assure you of the Council's commitment to the partnership at the Priory, including the the sharing of risk and that your Board feel able to continue with the project as planned, including developing the Planning Application whilst we go through our final decision making processes. .

Yours sincerely