

20th November 2014

Dear Mr Brooks

Ref: 1 Squires Walk, Southampton, SO19 9GJ (planning ref 14/01651/FUL)

Further to an enquiry regarding this application I write in order to offer our support.

Dr Brogan is looking to improve the environment in which they provide dental treatments and services to the local population. Patient safety is of upmost important and our member is understandably concerned that the current arrangement within the NHS Weston clinic is far from satisfactory. Due to a lack of space the dental practice and Sexual Transmitted Decease clinic have to share rooms.

To mix children and family dental patients with S.T.D. patients within the same reception and waiting facilities is not the ideal family environment. The current environment may well be off putting to some of the local residents in need of dental care. They would like to create a patient centred dental practice which is welcoming for all members of the local community.

We understand that the current NHS clinic is at its capacity and there is neither the budget or the space to relocate the NHS dental practice patients or STD patients to another area within the premises, and so Dr Brogan has made the decision to relocate the entire 3000 NHS patient list to a new local and more appropriate premises close by.

This particular dental practice is an important community service helping over 3000 patients, many of which are children, so I think you can appreciate the urgency of the need.

Therefore in light of the above and for the dental wellbeing of the local community we would like to ask you to be kind enough to recommend this application for approval.

Yours sincerely



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