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Dear Mr Nedderman

**HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – REVIEW OF AMBULANCE SERVICES IN CHESHIRE EAST**

I am writing in reference to the above and to Councillor Jos Saunders' letter enclosing the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Recommendations Report following a review of ambulance services in Cheshire East.

The Trust is grateful for the report and for the opportunity to both consider and respond to it. Whilst the report is very helpful it should be noted that not all of the actions are within the Trust's gift to resolve in isolation and will require a partnership approach with other stakeholders. We are of course happy to work with partners to explore these improvements in further detail.

We have assumed that any recommendations for the Department of Health or NHS England have been forwarded to them for their comment.

Please find attached the Trust's Action Plan which responds to each of the recommendations as per the numbered items in your report with both current progress and longer term proposed activities, together with named leads. Proposed timeframes have also been provided and wherever possible the Trust will endeavour to work to these but again it should be noted that where actions require a partnership approach this may be more challenging.

It is suggested that the Cheshire Ambulance Improvement Group which consists of members of staff from all organisations detailed in the Recommendations Report, meet on a monthly or bimonthly basis and provide periodic updates on progress / meeting minutes as required by Cheshire East.

If you have any further questions on the Trust's Action Plan or wish to convene a meeting to discuss any aspect, please contact Julie Treharne, Head of Communications on 0151 261 2585 or email: [Julie.treharne@nwas.nhs.uk](mailto:Julie.treharne@nwas.nhs.uk).

Yours sincerely

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