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Dear Mrs Broadhurst

Ref: Proposed withdrawal of the Swanage Paramedic Car

Thank you for your recent letter of 2 December 2020 regarding the Purbeck Ambulance Car service and its importance in the local community. I absolutely recognise the strength of feeling that potential changes such as this can cause.

The Purbeck Ambulance Car in its current existence and operating model had only been commissioned with SWASFT up to 31st March 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a decision was taken to extend this service.

I can confirm that discussions are continuing with SWASFT and Dorset CCG regarding the immediate future of this service.

We would very much like to work with patients and members of the Purbeck community over the coming weeks to fully understand their needs and requirements and to also ensure the appropriate model of care is in place. The car will remain in operation whilst these discussions continue to take place.

In the meantime, thank you again for bringing your concerns to my attention.

Yours sincerely

Tim Goodson
Chief Officer
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