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Date

Dear Mr Eames,

As a patient of the Central Dales Practice, I am very concerned at the possibility of a reduction in local Healthcare services in 2025 due to a shortage of funding from the NHS. I value the healthcare I and my community are given by our Practice, and we will be seriously disadvantaged if some of the present services (see below) were discontinued to be available locally.

Travelling to, and parking at, the Friarage & Darlington Memorial Hospitals takes well over an hour for most of us and considerably longer for others. [Travel to James Cook can take over two hours.] Public transport is minimal. I feel very strongly that GP practices should be exempt from an increase in N. I. contributions, as this puts Primary Care patients at an even greater risk of reduced services. Reduction in local services will cause hardship and considerable stress to patients and put extra pressure on the above hospitals which will cause even more misery for patients.

I understand that the Central Dales Practice will only reduce services if the Government doesn't address Primary Care underfunding by April 2025. Primary Healthcare matters to patients. Our Practice matters to us, as we their patients, matter to them. Please make the Secretary of State for Health & Social Care aware of this very real concern and ask for it to be addressed.

Yours sincerely,

Signed

Name (block capitals)

Address

Services potentially at risk from ceasing to be made available in Hawes / Aysgarth include:

Shared care for Amber Drugs, INR (Warfarin) monitoring, DVT testing, Prostate monitoring, ring Pessary fittings, complex wound care.

Blood testing for hospital consultants / services, post operation wound care (dressing after surgery), cryotherapy.