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Mr Robin Swann MLA
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Dear Minister,

Re: Care Homes

At the Council meeting held on 20 July 2020, during discussions relating to the adverse impact Coronavirus has had on Care Homes, Members voiced their concerns about domiciliary care services in general across Northern Ireland, with several Members stating their belief that domiciliary care services should be part of the National Health Service.

On this basis, the Council has asked that I write to you, to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and to all Councils across the island of Ireland to urge for the need for Care Homes to be brought into public ownership in the context of an all-island health care service, free at the point of entry.

Similar representations have been made to the Health and Safety Executive and this correspondence has been copied to all Councils across the island of Ireland.

The Council would ask that collaborative working is undertaken between all key stakeholders to consider the possibility of the Council's proposal for domiciliary care in the context of an all-island health care service free at the point of entry.

The Council looks forward to your receiving your response.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Alison McCullagh'.

Alison McCullagh
Chief Executive