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Dear Ms McCartney,

## Teething Problems - a review of NHS dental care in London

Thank you for your recent letter and copy of the Teething Problems report on NHS dental care in London.

I am writing on behalf of Cllr Don Jordan, Chair of Kingston's Health Overview Panel, to pass on initial views on the report from our Health Overview members.

Kingston's Health Overview Panel members have considered the report and recognised the good work that the review had done in investigating this important healthcare issue for Londoners. The only minor concern which was raised was in relation to financial rewards for dentists providing preventative advice. One of our Panel Members requested that their concern be forwarded that, as it is believed that payments to dentists already includes the costs of preventative advice within their 'duty of care', additional financial rewards could be seen as a double payment.

Many thanks for including the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames in your consultation.

Yours sincerely,

James Stanton, on behalf of

Cllr Don Jordan

Chair of Kingston's Health Overview Panel

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