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Dear Zoe Reed and Gwen Kennedy

Marina House

Southwark Council's Health, Adult Social Care, Communities & Citizenship Scrutiny Sub-Committee met on 6 March 2013 and discussed Marina House.

The committee would like clarity on a few issues. Firstly the committee understands that Mariana House was due to receive a grant for £95,000. Could you please clarify if this was received, and if so, what has this money been used for?

The committee would also appreciate clarity on the present use of Marina House. Please could you explain what it is being used for and the patient flows. Could you also please confirm the level of service provision currently in place for those people who would have been accessing services at Marina House, where these services are now being provided, and a breakdown of their use.

Lastly members requested an update on the number of local GPs, and GP practices, who have a GP who has completed a level one or level two qualification in the management of substance misuse. The committee noted that a level 2 qualification involves completing a significantly higher level of training and are therefore particularly keen to know how many GPs have achieved this level of competence. Past correspondence between Southwark's health scrutiny committee and the old PCT indicated that in January 2010 Southwark had 23 practices with at least one qualified GP; has there been any improvement?

Please can you provide a response by 22 April. If you have any queries please contact Julie Timbrell, scrutiny project manager, in the first instance via email: julie.timbrell@southwark.gov.uk or by telephone on 02075250514.

Yours Sincerely

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