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Dear Caroline

Thank you for a most helpful discussion.

I said I would set our my points for you to take further as the lead officer on health issues in KCC.

My understanding of the situation is -

1. The Thanet CCG is now operational. It works within the Thanet District Council area
2. The Thanet Health and Well Being Board is likely to be operational by June
3. At the moment scrutiny of the Thanet CCG, the Thanet HWB and other health functions in Thanet is vested with the KCC Health Scrutiny Panel
4. Government legislation/ regulation allows KCC flexibility in how it manages its Health Scrutiny function

My point is that because decisions about health and well being in Thanet have since 1 April been devolved to new district based organisations (CCG and HWB), it makes sense for KCCs Health Scrutiny functions to likewise be devolved to the Thanet District level rather than Maidstone scrutinising issues taking place 70 miles away. My understanding is that Government regulations do allow KCC to adopt this approach.

I would welcome your views on this issue.

The next meeting of the Thanet Overview and Scrutiny Panel is 23 April. Perhaps you might be able to let me have some thoughts in time for meeting.

Yours sincerely

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