

Chief Executive's Department
Democratic Services



Your reference

Being dealt with by Mr. H. Downey

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Mr. J. Kelpie
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Dear Mr. Kelpie,

I refer to your recent letter to Mrs. S. Wylie, Chief Executive, advising her that Derry City and Strabane District Council had, on 22nd November, passed a motion calling for support to be made available to the Community Pharmacy network in Northern Ireland and for other Councils to endorse the motion.

I would inform you that Belfast City Council, at its meeting on 3rd December, agreed to pass the following motion which had been proposed by Alderman Copeland and seconded by Councillor Mullan:

"This Council recognises the contribution to society made by Community Pharmacies and notes with growing concern the current financial crisis facing the sector, caused by a serious level of underfunding over the last decade.

The Council agrees to seek an urgent meeting between the Permanent Secretary of the Department of Health and Public Safety and an all-party delegation from the Council, along with representatives of the Pharmacies."

I have since written to the Permanent Secretary and to the Chief Executive of Community Pharmacy NI inviting them to meet with a delegation of Elected Representatives from the Council.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Henry Downey'.

Democratic Services Officer

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