

Appendix B

From: CUNNINGHAM, Joleen

Subject: Derry City and Strabane Council resolution on healthcare workers pay

Good Afternoon Lorraine and Karen

Thanks for your email and for the letter from members of the Health and Community Committee. We commend the actions of Derry City and Strabane Council for writing to the UK government and Department of Health on this issue.

Claire Hanna MP is supportive of a payrise for our hardworking and dedicated health and social care staff who have been at the forefront of the fight against covid-19.

Claire wrote to the Prime Minister and the Chancellor in July 2020 in support of the call by Unison and the other Health Care Unions for an NHS payrise and investment in the NHS. She has also met with union representatives on the issue.

Like Unison, Claire did not receive a response to her previous communication and has subsequently written to the Prime Minister, Chancellor and Secretary of State for Health again today further pressing the matter.

I trust you find this response helpful.

Kind Regards

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