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Corporate Services
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Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 8th October 2020. Your request sought information relating to Singleton Hospital Minor Injuries Unit (MIU).

I would be grateful if you could give us an update on the position of the Minor Injuries Unit at Singleton Hospital. It is my understanding that a decision about its future was due to be made recently. Has a decision been made and if so, what was it.

Any details you can give about why the decision was made and what the implications are for the other MIU at Port Talbot and also for health services generally within Swansea Bay would be very welcome.

Just prior to the pandemic being declared in March 2020, the Health Board was about to launch a public engagement on the future of MIU at Singleton Hospital. The Unit had been temporarily closed with the agreement of the Swansea Bay Community Health Council in 2019, initially so that the Singleton Assessment Unit could be refurbished and then the temporary closure had to continue because of problems staffing the unit.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the engagement on the future of Singleton MIU had to be put on hold. The Community Health Council asked the Health Board to ensure that the possible options for Singleton MIU be considered in the context of all the Health Board's urgent medical services. Work on this has recently restarted and we are hoping to engage on the future of urgent medical services across Swansea Bay in 2021, which will include the future of the MIU at Singleton. No decision about the MIU at Singleton has been made.



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During the pandemic, treatment for minor injuries for Swansea Bay have all been undertaken at Neath Port Talbot Hospital (including transferring minor injuries from Morriston Hospital).

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

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Yours sincerely



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