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Dear Kevin

Thank you for your letter dated 25 October 2018. A detailed response will be provided in due course, as requested. However, having only just returned to the Island from official business, I nevertheless wanted to confirm that officers have advised me as follows:

The comparison of timelines was produced by Officers of the Future Hospital team in conjunction with the Officer servicing the Policy Development Board.

They were compiled to provide an indicative view of the relative timelines for the two approaches. The relevant Officers have offered to meet with your Scrutiny Clerk to explain the principles behind these timings.

More work is required to refine these indicative assessments and I have instructed officers to undertake this as an urgent action.

I think this matter is important to provide clarity as to the current programme and a credible timetable for developing on an alternative site. Your letter provides the opportunity to do that and I look forward to providing more information to you shortly.

Yours sincerely

**Senator John Le Fondré**  
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