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Dear Sir George,

Thank you for your correspondence of 26 June on behalf of a number of your constituents, about dementia and the Government's Major Conditions Strategy. I apologise for the delay in replying.

The Major Conditions Strategy will set out a shift to integrated, whole-person care. By bringing dementia and other conditions together, we will be able to focus on where there are similarities in approach and ensure care is better centred around the patient. This is particularly important in a world with increasing multimorbidity and complexity of diseases.

To inform the development of the Major Conditions Strategy, we launched a call for evidence to gather views and ideas on how to prevent, diagnose and support people living with dementia. Those working in health and care services, local government, the voluntary and community sector, wider industry and especially people with lived experience were invited to share their views. The call for evidence was open for six weeks until 27 June.

The Major Conditions Strategy is being informed by materials gathered from previous listening exercises, including for the ten-year plan on dementia. Those who responded to previous engagement exercises also had the opportunity to take part in this call for evidence, to provide further insights and suggestions.

Yours,

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