

BALFRON PHARMACY

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DEAR MR FRASER,

O.F.T. PHARMACY REPORT: SCOTTISH EXEC CONSULTATION

I AM A PHARMACY CONTRACTOR IN WEST STIRLINGSHIRE AND I HAVE BEEN COLLECTING SIGNATURES ON A PETITION IN RELATION TO THE ABOVE REPORT OVER THE LAST WEEK, SO FAR 500 PATIENTS HAVE SUPPORTED THE PETITION AND I PLAN TO SEND IT ON TO YOU WHEN 4 WEEKS HAS PASSED. I FORSEE MANY MORE SIGNATURES BEING ADDED TO IT IN THE NEXT 3 WEEKS.

THE PETITION STATES THAT THE OFT HAS FAILED TO RECOGNISE THE ESSENTIAL NHS SERVICES OF CURRENT PHARMACIES IN SCOTLAND, AND CALLS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE DISREGARDED.

THE O.F.T. REPORT HAS EVOKED A STRONG FEELING OF COMMUNITY IN THE VILLAGE AGAINST CHANGE. I BELIEVE THIS CONCERN AND SUPPORT FOR THE RETENTION OF THE CONTROL OF ENTRY REGULATIONS IS WOULD TO IGNORE. I WOULD HOPE THE SCOTTISH EXECUTIVE COULD BEAR THIS IN MIND, WHEN CONSIDERING THE O.F.T. RECOMMENDATIONS.

SHOULD YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE PETITION, PLEASE CONTACT ME,

YOURS FAITHFULLY

Alex M. M.R.P.S.
(PHARMACIST)