Further to your request for information dated 24 February 2016 the information requested is below/attached:

1. Do you provide and/or commission a 24/7 dedicated and clinically staffed palliative service specifically designed for patients dying at home, and their carers? Yes/No

NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group does provide and/or commission a 24/7 dedicated and clinically staffed palliative service specifically designed for patients dying at home and their carers.

2. Please complete the table (see the second attachment to this email) detailing which specific palliative services you provide and/or commission, the hours of operation and geographic areas that they cover for 2015-16.

NB. For the purposes of our research, we would only consider you to commission these palliative services listed in the table if they are specifically designed for patients dying, and their carers, as opposed to a more general service that might only incidentally cover end of life care.

Please see attached.

3. What is your annual budget for all dedicated end of life care services provided and commissioned for the current financial year, 2015-2016? If it is impossible for you to give a precise figure for whatever reason, please give a best estimate.

£1,412,625 for both Hospice and Acute palliative care.

4. What is this as a % of your total budget? Again, if you cannot give a precise figure here, please give a best estimate.

0.46%

5. Do you work in partnership with other organisations to deliver palliative care services in the community?

If yes, state who the lead provider is.

No, NHS Dartford Gravesham and Swanley commissioning palliative and end of life care services independently from other CCGs in the area. Ellenor is the CCG’s lead provider.