Professor Nick Harding (Chair) Sandwell & West Birmingham CCG (SWBCCG) Kingston House 438-450 High Street West Bromwich **B70 9LD**

December 5th 2018

Dear Professor Harding

agside the wheel he was a special to the seen of the s The Women's Health and Maternity Network alongside the woman of this community wish to protest the decision that has been made by SWBCCG to close the wonderful Halcyon Birthing Centre. Our objections are as follows:

- 1) You have not consulted us, the woman who want to use the Halcyon.
- 2) You referred the proposed closure to the HOSC but did not tell us or give us time to talk to our Councillors or MP.
- 3) The CCG has a duty in law to consult and engage with us.
- 4) You also have a duty to involve the community in all key transitions and transformation of our services.
- 5) In determining local needs, you must listen to us the service users and act to ensure that our needs are met.
- 6) You have ignored we the service users and the public, but the law says: "The CCG must make arrangements to secure that individuals to whom the services are being or may be provided are involved (whether by being consulted or provided with information or in other ways):
 - (a) In the planning of the commissioning arrangements by the CCG.
 - (b) In the development and consideration of proposals by the CCG for changes, where the implementation of the proposals would have an impact on the manner in which the services are delivered to the individuals or the range of health services available to them.
 - 7) We want the CCG to stop the closure of Halcyon and start public consultation, engagement and involvement now.

We politely request a response from you before your next meeting scheduled on 9th January 2019

Your sincerely

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N.B. There are many more women who would have like to attend this meeting but due to childcare and family commitments could not make it.

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