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Dear Nick,

Thank you for your letter dated 25 June 2018, in which you expressed concerns regarding the closure of the Templeton day centre in Northwood Hills. The decision to close the service was a difficult one, and I appreciate your concern for people affected by dementia.

As my colleague Raks Patel mentioned in her email to your office on 6 June, there are not enough people using the service to allow us to cover the associated costs. As a result we are diverting public donations into the service from other areas across England, Wales and Northern Ireland, when many people in these areas have access to little or no support at all. This situation is no longer sustainable.

We have been approached by a group of local people who may be interested in starting a similar service in future, and are providing them with information to inform their decision. In the meantime, we are working with each family who uses the Templeton day service to identify an alternative service which meets their needs.

In the longer term, we are working to ensure that by 2022, everybody with a diagnosis of dementia receives an offer of support from Alzheimer's Society, regardless of where they live.

If you would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact David Morris, our Operations Manager for North West London at david.morris@alzheimers.org.uk or on 07860910721.

Yours sincerely
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