**Name of Practice**

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**NAME OF ADDRESSEE**

**ADDRESS LINE 1**

**Dear XXXX**

We are sorry to hear of your recent cancer diagnosis and we wish to offer advice and support at this difficult time. You should already have been given information about the cancer you have and the treatment from your Consultant and/or Clinical Nurse Specialist.

The hospital where you are being treated will keep us informed of your care. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch about any other aspects of your health.

If you have any medical or non-medical concerns; we would welcome you, or someone on your behalf, to contact us. You may be invited to undertake a short holistic needs assessment to facilitate this process, so that you can inform us of how your cancer is affecting each aspect of your life and how best we can support you.

We can then discuss your needs and develop a care plan with you. You may be given an appointment with the practice Social Prescriber or link worker.

In the coming months, we’ll invite you for a Cancer Care Review. This review is intended for people who have had a cancer diagnosis in the last 12 months. The appointment should last approximately 20 minutes and you are encouraged to bring a friend or family member with you to your appointment.

This is an opportunity for us to discuss any on-going treatment you may be having, any side effects you’re experiencing from your treatment or cancer, as well as talking through any concerns and fears that you or those that are close to you may have. As part of this conversation, we can discuss and identify what support can be provided.

Macmillan Cancer Support also offer direct services that you might find useful.

Macmillan’s support line is open 7 days a week and offers confidential support to people living with cancer and to their loved ones. If you are worried about money, work or treatment, or you just want to speak about whatever matters to you, you can call free on 0808 808 0000.

Support is also available via the Macmillan online community - information can be found at [www.macmillan.org.uk](http://www.macmillan.org.uk) or sign up for support at [www.macmillan.org.uk/diagnosed-with-cancer.html](http://www.macmillan.org.uk/diagnosed-with-cancer.html)

Yours sincerely,

**NAME OF SIGNING CLINICIAN / SENIOR PARTNER**