

Date: 15/01/2021

Dear Care Provider,

Re: Thank you from Councillor John Spence and Nick Presmeg

We are writing to express our sincerest thanks to you for helping to protect our vulnerable residents during these immensely difficult times.

We are deeply grateful for all that you and your staff have done - and continue to do - in response to the Covid-19 outbreak.

Please can we ask that you share this video message from Councillor John Spence with your staff which offers his personal thanks to all those working in care - <https://youtu.be/sp36QON6AsU>

We know you are all working tirelessly and recognise these continuously changing circumstances will be taking their toll on you.

It has affected us all in different ways, but for care providers it has been particularly challenging and stressful. We are genuinely concerned for the mental health and wellbeing of you and your staff.

The coming weeks will continue to challenge everyone, but we will get through this.

The vaccination programme provides us with real hope. We know you will be keen for your staff and our vulnerable residents to be vaccinated as soon as possible and we are working with health colleagues for this purpose. We will continue to communicate updates when we have more information.

Now is not the time to let our guard down. The virus is still circulating in high numbers in our communities and sadly as a result, many may continue to suffer.

Please therefore make sure you continue to adhere to guidance. This will help us to beat this virus.

We are immensely proud of our care market in Essex, which has shown resilience and resolve at a time of great crisis.

From everyone at ECC, we offer our sincerest thank you for all you have done and continue to do.



Councillor John Spence



Nick Presmeg, Executive Director, Adult Social Care