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Mr Graham Hughes Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Officer Essex County Council.

Dear Mr Hughes,

Re: Dementia Task and Finish Group

Please find attached a paper that Kay Ellis and I have written to give you and the Committee an overview of the services provided by the Alzheimer's Society in West Essex.

We have included the latest statistics of the numbers of people estimated to have dementia across the area, issued last week, and the figures indicate an increase of around 1000 people more have the condition, compared to the figures projected in the Dementia UK report 2007.

Undoubtedly, dementia presents one of the greatest health and social care challenges of our time and the Alzheimer's Society would welcome any opportunity to undertake partnership working with the statutory organisations to increase support and services for people with dementia and their carers.

If you have any questions or would like any information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards Yours sincerely, Marion Howell Support Services Manager West Essex