Dear Mr Burns

I refer to previous engagement with the Health and Sport Committee in relation to the need for brokerage payments by Ayrshire and Arran Health Board.

This matter was discussed at some length with the Committee last year culminating in an oral evidence session on 15 May. At that session you referred to ongoing discussions with the Scottish Government regarding brokerage indicating “The discussions were about delivering a balance in three years and repaying the brokerage beyond that point”. Adding your expectation that further brokerage would be required over the “following two years”.

Can you now confirm whether Ayrshire and Arran Health Board still believe it will require brokerage in future years.
The Committee would be grateful to receive your response by Tuesday 22 January.

Yours sincerely

Lewis Macdonald
Convener
Health and Sport Committee