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THE GREAT BARTLET ROBBERY

Dear Friend

The Bartlet Convalescent Home in Felixstowe is being sold in a rush private sale by the NHS without due thought to the problems this will cause within the wider Suffolk community.

The NHS has claimed ownership of the Bartlet, after it was given to the people of East Suffolk and Ipswich Hospital District by Dr John Henry Bartlet in his will in 1917 along with enough money to keep it running.

Ipswich NHS hospital already offers patients 'weak services' and is planning to shed 357 full time jobs and 71 beds. Two hospital theatres are also due to close. With Suffolk's health service already in chaos, the closure of the Bartlet will further aggravate the situation. The Bartlet Bequest Action Group has been set up to secure this facility for future generations in East Suffolk. Frequently Asked Questions can be found on the reverse of this letter.

- 1) *Having initiated legal action to recover the facility we need to raise £55k to support the action. This is where I am asking for your help. Please can you make a donation or pledge to BBAG (see form below).***

Please note that if the challenge is successful or the money is not used, you can opt to receive a pro rata repayment of any donations you make.

- 2) *Please sign the Downing Street Petition & pass this onto your friends***

<http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/SaveTheBartlet/>

Yours faithfully,
Paul Maurice Potter
Former Queens Messenger

BARTLET BEQUEST ACTION GROUP PLEDGE FORM

I _____ (Company Name/Individual Name) would like to
pledge/donate the sum of (please tick below)

£10 £50 £100 Other (enter amount)

Address _____ Postcode _____

Telephone _____ Mobile _____

I do / do not (*delete as applicable*) **require a pro rata repayment of my donation following legal action.**

I would / would not (*delete as applicable*) like to receive publicity about this pledge/donation.

Tick here to make Gift Aid donation

Signed _____ Date _____

Please make cheques payable to Bartlet Bequest Action Group and send to B Ellis, Treasurer, Cygnus House, Orion Court, Great Blakenham, Suffolk IP6 0RL