

Press Release

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## NHS survey report – results in

In July 2008, Angie Bray, Conservative Parliamentary Candidate for the new Ealing Central & Acton constituency, conducted a survey of 27,500 local residents seeking their views on local NHS and other services. The aim of the survey was to give residents in the area, the opportunity to have their say about the provision of healthcare in the area, so that Angie could run her campaign more effectively and tackle some of the concerns they raised.

In October, Angie reported that 93% of respondents would oppose Government plans to establish a polyclinic, if it would mean the closure of the local GP practice in their area. Still waiting for the Government to finalise any plans, Angie presented the findings of the survey to Ealing PCT in a meeting on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2008.

Further analysis of the returned surveys showed that a staggering 49.3% are not registered with a local NHS dentist. Further to this, of those who had tried to register in the last few years, 33% were unable to do so.

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, Conservative Shadow Minister for Health, Mike Penning, MP will visit a dentist surgery in the new Ealing Central & Acton constituency so that Angie may present him with a report on the survey. Local dentists will also be present so that they may discuss with Mr Penning some of the concerns raised in the survey.

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