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Dear James,

Thank you for your written question asking what impact will the NHS strikes have on the surgery backlog in terms of numbers.

Management information suggests around 257 operations (around 20% of normal daily numbers) and 1,866 new or follow-up outpatient appointments (around 22% of normal daily activity) were postponed on 15 December as a result of the nurse's strike.

In relation to the ambulance strike, we do not expect this to have an impact as there will be time for those patients that require the use of the non-emergency patient transport service to make alternative arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

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