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Dear Mr Jacob

Thank you for your letter.

The Independent on Sunday story that you mentioned in your letter was inaccurate. We sent a full response to the Independent on Sunday which categorically refutes the claims that Broadmoor Hospital's security system is not fit for purpose, breaks down or is inoperable.

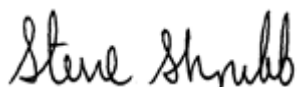
The current Broadmoor Hospital CCTV system dates from 2001. The system requires upgrading, however the cost of maintaining the current system was judged to be more expensive than replacing it with a new one. The trust is spending £3million to replace the CCTV system and maintain it.

High secure hospitals are licensed and must maintain safety and security under directions set by the Department of Health. The hospital has never breached its licence at any time. The hospital has well developed and rehearsed contingency plans to ensure it maintains security should any challenges arise.

We have called for corrections and an apology from the Independent. I can assure you that Broadmoor Hospital maintains the highest standards of security at all times.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like more information.

Yours sincerely



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Chief executive

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