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**CC:** Government Chief Scientific Adviser (GO-Science) [GCSA@go-science.gov.uk]  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting to hear about currency situation

Dear Kevin

Patrick updated me in your views and experience relayed to him. Many thanks for passing that on.

I would find it helpful to get those directly, probably most usefully with a few others to get a rounded picture. The more actual data we have to support the better; anecdotal views on how things are of the first wave are quite varied.

If you would prefer to talk directly to me that's also fine. I have just come off the wards at UCLH, but it's a bit of a microcosm, in part because of the odd demographics of central London.

Chris

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**From:** Vallance, Patrick (GO-Science) <P.Vallance1@go-science.gov.uk>  
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Dear Kevin

Many thanks for sparing the time to speak to me today. Your account was harrowing and disturbing. I have spoken to Chris Whitty about this and he would like to hear more. I think the best plan would be to include Keith Willlett and others in that, but Chris will have a view on how he would like to make sure he hears from a number of people to assess the current situation. As you rightly said, this is a complex situation and the data alone may not tell the story.

Thanks again for raising it. I plan to join the next call that Chris will set up as a matter of urgency.

With best wishes

Patrick