

[INSERT NAME OF MP] MP
[Their constituency address]

[Your Name]
[Your address]

[Date]

Dear [INSERT NAME OF MP] MP,

I am writing as your constituent to ask for help with an issue within my cancer care/treatment. My cancer treatment has been postponed and I have no alternative treatment plan or updated timescale for when my treatment will resume.

Explain the background information on your situation:

I was diagnosed with advanced prostate cancer on [insert date]. I had been undergoing monthly hormone treatment (injections) and was told that in [insert date] I would see the oncologist prior to starting radiotherapy. I had an appointment booked for [insert date] to see the oncologist (Dr X). I was expecting to discuss the hormone treatment ending and when my radiotherapy would start. In [insert date] I received a letter cancelling my [enter date] appointment and rescheduling it for [insert date]. The letter did not mention anything about my radiotherapy, whether it had been cancelled or just postponed, or the impact it would have on my cancer. There were no details of how the decision was made to postpone my treatment and no alternative treatment plan was offered.

Describe what you have already done:

I wrote to my cancer care team at Example Hospital on [insert date] asking for them to meet with me to discuss my treatment options and to update my cancer care plan. I spoke to them on the phone last week and they were unable to offer me an alternative treatment plan or arrange to see me earlier than [insert date].

Ask what you would like them to do:

I am very worried about my cancer treatment and the effect this delay could have on my health and quality of life. I would like to ask for your help to resolve this matter. As my MP, I would like you to write to my hospital to ask why my treatment has been postponed and request for me to restart treatment. Are there other ways you could help me with this matter?

I look forward to your response. If you wish to discuss this further with me, you can contact me on the telephone or by email. I would be happy to discuss this in a meeting.

Yours sincerely,

[Your name]

[Email, telephone number]