**What are the student’s strengths?**

Ellis has improved her skills hugely from the start of her placement here. Her confidence has grown and she always asks for help when she is not sure. She builds an appropriate and professional relationship with patients, which has led her to have repeat patients. Her personality is very outgoing and personable which has helped her build a client base as well as her performance of great practical skills. Ellis is very talented at choosing which techniques to use within her treatment and is not afraid to liaise with her clients as to the intensity of massage they wish to have. It has been great to see her trying out new skills within her treatments and feeding back as to how her sessions went.

**What would you like to see the student concentrate on, or develop, in the remainder of their time on placement?**

We have worked on several areas over Ellis’s time with us. These areas are treatment planning and communicating this with her patients. Ellis has definitely improved on this and as her confidence and knowledge improves further I have no doubt Ellis will excel in this skill and will come from experience. Her note taking has also improved and again this needs to become more consistent but again will improve with further practice. I am aware that exercise prescription has not yet been covered in the course yet, but so far Ellis has taken on board exercise prescription and has started to complete this as part of aftercare for the patient. Again, with further education in this I have no doubt Ellis will develop this skill. Due to not being able to complete this placement we were starting to talk about clinical reasoning and this is something Ellis was starting to show.

**Other comments**

It’s a shame due to current circumstances that Ellis was unable to complete her whole placement. I have no doubt Ellis will make an excellent therapist, her enthusiasm and inquisitiveness will help her hugely in her future. It has been an absolute pleasure to support Ellis on her therapy career.