

# PARTNERSHIP FOR HEALTH



**FRIENDS OF DAVENPORT HOUSE**

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## **FORMAL NOTICE OF THE AGM—MONDAY 16 MARCH 2020**

***See the back page for the advertising poster***

**Friends of Davenport House**

**Annual General Meeting, Monday 16 March, 2020**

**The new Salvation Army Hall, Leyton Green, Harpenden**

The 2020 AGM will be held at 8.00pm with refreshments from 7.30pm. There is excellent parking just 100 metres away from the Salvation Army Hall in Amenbury Lane Car Park which is free after 6.30pm.

The AGM will take the usual format with the presentation of the Annual Report and Annual Accounts, followed by election of the Trustees for 2020-2021. The Report and Accounts and names of the proposed Trustees will be circulated on-line around the 20<sup>th</sup> February. Would any member who wishes to propose a new trustee please contact the Honorary Secretary in writing before that date. We need a proposer, seconder and an indication that the member is happy to be nominated.

After the elections, as is customary, two partners from Davenport House Surgery will give talks. Dr Chas Theuwara will talk about the new opportunities for patient treatment following the inauguration of the Harpenden Primary Care Network, and Dr Ajeet Bagga, as a new partner, will introduce himself and say something about his interest in dermatology.

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**PLEASE NOTE THE NEW VENUE**

## **SURGERY SNIPPETS**

### **Business Practice Manager—Shannon Davies**

Shannon has left the Practice for personal reasons after managing significant change over the last few years. She will be replaced in due course but in the meantime her work is being divided amongst the administration team.

### **Primary Care Network (PCN)**

Davenport House, the Elms and the Village Surgeries are working together within a PCN where selected services can be jointly delivered for the benefit of Harpenden patients.

### **Springfield Pharmacy—Davenport House Move**

Discussions with Springfield Pharmacy are ongoing with a view to them moving into Davenport House to be alongside the Surgery. However, there is nothing further to report at this stage.

It was previously reported in the November bulletin that a Mental Health worker had been appointed to provide support to the PCN. Please see this bulletin for details of how this service is accessed and by whom.

Further joint initiatives are anticipated.

## SAPG January 2020 Newsletter

The St Albans and Harpenden Patients' Group (SAPG) Newsletter of January includes the following items:

- A) Just before the recent General Election, the NHS increased its promised grant of £350 million to West Herts Hospital Trust (WHHT) to £400 million. This grant will have to be repaid over time.
- B) WHHT's recent 'Five Year Health Strategy' confirms its intention to improve and develop existing buildings and services.
- C) The Herts Valley Clinical Commissioning Group (HVCCG) reports that the recent transfer of adult community services to Central London Health Care NHS Trust appears to be going well. It also notes that waiting times for community based services such as Gynaecology and ENT fell from an average of 12 – 16 weeks to 4 – 6 weeks.
- D) The HVCCG has also provided some extra funding to WHHT and GP Surgeries to help relieve 'winter pressures'.

## Organ donation campaign: The law in England is changing



NHS Blood and Transplant Service have launched a campaign to inform the public that the law around organ donation in England will change in spring 2020.

Please support the campaign by helping to spread the word that the law is changing and making people aware that they need to:

- Make a decision about whether they want to pass on their organs to save and improve lives
- Pass on their organ donation decision to their friends and family

For more information, please see the [NHS Blood and Transplant website](#).

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**HEALTH MATTERS!**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

*A cordial invitation **to meet the doctors for a cup of tea/coffee** prior to YOUR Annual General Meeting*

**on**

**Monday 16 March 2020  
Starting at 8.00pm**

**At the Salvation Army Hall, Leyton Green**

***The business will be short and followed by two presentations from our doctors:***

***DOORS OPEN AT 7.30PM FOR REFRESHMENTS***

**Dr Chas Thenuwara**



**Dr Ajeet Bagga**



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Harpenden  
Primary Care Network***

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