

PARTNERSHIP FOR HEALTH



FRIENDS OF DAVENPORT HOUSE

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NEWS FROM THE PRACTICE

Annual General Meeting of Friends of Davenport House Wednesday, 3rd May 2023, 7.00pm by Zoom



I do hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend the above mentioned **AGM**. We will be delighted to see you and we're sure you will find the Surgery updates and news, from **Dr Chas Thenuwara**, to be of great interest. The new ways of operating through the local **PCN** (Primary Care Network* see below) in Harpenden are proving that working together makes us more nimble, you can hear all the news on 3rd May.

There will be lots of updates from the Practice; regarding staff changes, more face-to-face appointments, a feedback box and the patient appointment signing in screen working. Dr Thenuwara will update us on this at the AGM.

Upcoming Webinars (the dates are firm but the subjects may vary depending on the availability of the speakers). May 9th – **Why am I Breathless?** Jun 6th – **Dermatology** (Skin, Hair, & Nails) Jul 11th – **HRT & the Menopause**

Harpenden Health PCN is a Primary Care Network (PCN) set up in 2019 and comprises 3 high achieving GP Practices in Harpenden, Hertfordshire. Together we care for more than 45,000 patients and are excited about what the future holds for Primary Care in Harpenden.

We aim to provide a patient-friendly quality service; we enjoy multidisciplinary team-working and the opportunities that collaborative working in a PCN provides. As a PCN we have been able to further develop our team which now comprises not just GPs and Practice Nurses /Advanced Practice Nurses but has also expanded to include Care Coordinators, Clinical Pharmacists, Dieticians, First Contact Practitioners, Paramedics, Health & Wellbeing Coaches, Mental Health Practitioners, and

Physician Associates & Social Prescribing Link Workers. By working together as a network and with the additional team roles, the 3 practices are able to offer increased services at scale

And last but not least – we have been singled out for praise by the NHS Immunisation Team

In the newsletter from the NHS England Immunisation Team, Davenport House has been commended this year for making significant strides in our uptake of flu immunisations for the under 65 at risk group and for the under 5 at risk group. We achieved 63% uptake for both groups (West Herts average is 50% and 24% respectively).

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