PARK ROAD
GROUP PRACTICE

# PRGP PULSE

May 26

## People News




We are delighted to announce that we have recruited 2 new GP's for our practice. Dr Eckford and Dr Suddle are great additions and will further strengthen our excellent clinical team. Dr Brigstocke has gone on a sabbatical, she is planning to return to us in 3 months time.

We also have 2 new/returning trainees starting with us in April, Dr Dey and Dr McNamara. They will be joining our current final year trainees Dr Gurung and Dr Shrestha.

Dr Morton and Dr Mellows our locum doctors will be staying with us over the summer months to help cover for annual leave and maternity leave.

You may also see Dr Porter, a locum doctor for us, helping out over the busy summer months and providing some specialist joint injection clinics.

Our paramedic Chevonne Horner has now left us to take on a new role closer to home. We wish her all the best in her new role and thank her for her dedication in her time with us.

We are currently recruiting for another GP and Phlebotomist to join us as soon as possible.

## Covid Spring boosters

The Covid Spring booster vaccinations will be managed by the Primary Care Network this year. This means that they will be contacting patients and administering the vaccines.

The campaign will run from 13th April – until 30th June 2026 and the PCN will start contacting patients from the beginning of April.

The Covid Spring booster will only be offered to eligible patients in the following categories:

- Adults aged 75 and over
- Residents in care homes for older people
- Individuals age 6 months and over who are immunosuppressed

Anyone not eligible through the above criteria can contact some local pharmacies who are offering private paid for Covid vaccinations.

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## Parking at Park Road

We appreciate the difficulties faced when parking at our Park Road site, the car park is far from ideal for staff or patients alike.

To try and improve parking and minimise any incidents and inconvenience we have installed signs showing where the staff parking only is and the line markings and cross hatching to show areas where parking is prohibited are also being redone.




Staff have been asked to park in the staff only parking, where possible, to maximise the number of spaces left for patients and customers of the pharmacy. There should be no parking in any circumstances in the turning area just past the end of the pharmacy building as it is in constant use.

It's also worth remembering that whilst our car park is by no means ideal it does provide more parking than a number of other surgeries in the local area.

Thank you and please park carefully.

## Punctuality

When attending appointments try and arrive a few minutes early so that we can see you as close as possible to your appointment time.

Face to Face appointments with a doctor are only 15 minutes long so please don't come with a long list of problems you want to see the doctor about it should be one appointment for one problem.




## Patient Participation Group (PPG)

The Patient Participation Group (PPG) is made up of a group of volunteers who attend the surgery for occasional meetings to bring patient input and feedback about how the surgery is operating and communicate more openly and effectively with our patients. Would you like to join? We are particularly looking for any Carers, People who may need extra support to use our services. Please let our Care Coordinator team know.

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missed appointments in April. Please remember to let the surgery know if you can't make your appointment so we can offer it to someone else.

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