



## Schopwick Surgery (Elstree Surgery) Premises relocation

Patient Information & Request for Feedback

*"It is of enormous importance to the doctors and staff of the practice, and as a consequence those who we serve, that we develop new premises to take the provision of care within our community forward over the generations to come"*

Dr Jay Vyas  
GP Partner  
Schopwick Surgery



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## Schopwick Surgery - Background

Schopwick Surgery was originally founded in Elstree in 1931 by Dr Winn Everett. The practice has been operating from premises at Romeland, Elstree WD6 3BJ since 1984 and additionally, from premises at Windmill Street, Bushey since 1994. The GPs and Practice team provide primary care services to a combined patient population which currently stands at 13,000 and is increasing rapidly.

### The Proposal

The map shows the location of each of our surgeries. The proposal is to **retain** the Bushey Surgery and **relocate** from our Elstree premises to a new, larger building to accommodate our increasing number of Elstree and Borehamwood patients and provide additional services to the whole patient population.



## Why do we need to relocate ?

The Elstree Surgery was built in 1984 and has served the practice well over the years. However, it is no longer suitable for providing the services and standard of care we would like to offer our patient community

### Key issues and constraints are:-

- The building is too small and does not have enough rooms for the clinical services
- The building no longer meets current standards for primary care premises.
- Expanded services – we would like to provide a larger Treatment room
- We are a long-established teaching and training practice and are keen to expand this to include training for community nurses and paramedics but are constrained by the lack of space.
- Shortage of parking facilities is a **big issue** - with only 9 spaces, we desperately need more parking spaces for both our staff and patients





## The solution

The Partners of the Schopwick Surgery have been considering alternative premises options for our Elstree Surgery for a number of years. Expansion on the existing site is unfeasible as such we have been working with our specialist partners for some time to progress sourcing available sites that satisfy our requirements and progress discussions with the parties who will facilitate the development.

We would like to propose the relocation of the Elstree Building to a larger purpose built surgery.

This proposal is subject to CCG and NHS England approvals of a business case. This patient survey and feedback forms an essential part of the business case document . Plus of course the project will be subject to the Local authority planning process

## Site location

The proposed site is off Allum Lane, 0.6 miles from the existing Elstree Surgery and therefore also closer for our Borehamwood patients. Together with a care home, the primary care centre forms the “gateway” to a proposed leafy “garden suburb” development of c280 new homes. Endurance Homes, the developer for the new housing has made the site available to facilitate this much needed healthcare facility.

It is also proposed that there will be improvement of cycling, pedestrian and bus routes between Elstree and Borehamwood .

The proposed Surgery is on several Bus Routes (Nos. 107 , 306 & 823) – the Knowl Way stop is immediately adjacent to the site.





## Proximity to the existing Elstree Surgery



## Proposed site plan

Building in prominent location

New main access route and junction works to improve vehicle access / exit along Allum Lane

Building set in landscaped environment

On site pharmacy

Highly accessible environment for pedestrians and vehicles

Significantly more car parking than present premises

Pedestrian routes get priority within the site

Wider development will provide enhanced footpath linkage from Elstree allowing patients to access the site via a countryside route from the western side

NOTE: final site configuration subject to NHS and Local Authority Approvals







## Benefits of the new building

This development proposal is for a high quality, modern purpose built Primary Care Centre with significantly more car-parking spaces. The building has been designed for us by Haven Health's specialist award-winning architect, Antony Kavanagh of Leo Architects. It will provide an attractive, calm clinical environment which will benefit the health and well-being of both patients and staff

The new building will provide :

- Spacious waiting areas
- More clinical rooms
- On site pharmacy
- More space to allow for training of GP's , nurses and other healthcare staff in a training 'hub'
- Large health promotion room for a wider variety of groups to use
- Facilities for staff welfare

## Benefits for patients - more services

The new building would provide much needed space and first-class facilities to enable the practice to deliver a wider and increased range of services.

Our GP's and clinical staff have a wide range of special interests Including :

- Paediatrics
- Obstetrics & Gynaecology
- Mental Health
- Palliative Care
- Ophthalmology
- Minor Operations - Including minor skin surgery treatments
- Dermatology
- Musculoskeletal care including joint injections

Alongside our local primary healthcare teams, we will also be in a position to offer additional services provided by :

- Social prescribers
- Clinical pharmacists
- Physicians associates
- First point contact MSK
- Paramedics
- Pharmacy technicians
- Care co-ordinators
- Health coaches,
- Dietitians, Podiatrists and Occupational Therapists.
- Mental Health professionals  
(will be added from April 2021 following current pilots.)



## Please let us know what you think about Our proposal for a Move to a New Centre

Please tick the relevant boxes below, then let us have your comments by filling in the "General Comments" section and return the form to us , either by email, text or leaving it in the Practice Reception where a box will be provided , you can also answer this electronically at :

<https://forms.gle/7SmgDqzad1QgWbhSA> by 30th November if possible please

### Location

\*Do you think the proposed location is easy to get to ?

YES

NO

### Accessibility

The building will be fully accessible for those in wheelchairs or mobility issues .....\*Is accessibility important to you ?

### Modern New Building

The building will provide an attractive modern, clinical environment for the Schopwick staff to provide healthcare services .

\*Is a new building important to you ?

### More Services available locally

The larger building will allow Schopwick surgery to offer a wider range of services locally in collaboration with our local GP colleagues.

\*Would more services be of benefit to you or someone you know ?

### Parking

Our Elstree building has very limited parking. A new building will have more parking available for patients

Will the availability of more parking spaces be important to you ?

### Where do you live?

\*Please indicate your postcode

WD6

WD7

WD23

WD25

Other

\*required

*Thank You for your comments*

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