NEWSLETTER HILLVIEW MEDICAL CENTRE

SUMMER 2012

We are pleased to announce that Foxlydiate Chemist will be relocating to Hillview Medical Centre later this summer. As part of this relocation we are taking the opportunity to improve access around reception for our less able patients.

We apologise in advance for the disruption caused by the building work.



Dr Duncan Gordon joined Hillview in late 2011 after working for nine years as a Medical Officer in the Royal Navy.

After growing up in Shropshire, going to secondary school in Stourbridge, he trained as a doctor in Aberdeen and also did his house jobs in the North East of Scotland.

Whilst at University he joined the Armed Forces as a medical cadet and underwent Officer Training in 2003.

During his time in the Royal Navy he deployed to the Arabian Gulf, Far East, Caribbean and Mediterranean. He also worked in Plymouth and Portsmouth before he found himself on the GP training scheme in landlocked Warwickshire.

When he qualified as a GP in 2009 he put his uniform back on and was posted to Northwood Headquarters in Middlesex. After getting married last year he decided he wanted his career to be a little less unpredictable and decided to leave the Service.

He continues to live in Warwick and he enjoys playing and umpiring hockey, skiing and walking his dog (a mischievous border terrier).

ACCESS ROAD TO SURGERY CAR PARK

We have been informed of proposed plans to our side access road. Obvious improvements are needed but we also understand that double yellow lines may be added to the entire length of the road.

NHS Health Check – Are you aged between 40 – 74, if so please ask the receptionist about a free NHS Health Check.

Everyone is at risk of developing heart disease, stroke, diabetes or kidney disease. Therefore please take this opportunity for your free check now. This service is a preventative one therefore we cannot offer you this check if you have already been diagnosed with coronary heart disease, chronic kidney disease, diabetes, hypertension, atrial fibrillation, heart failure, TIA or Peripheral Arterial Disease.

EMERGENCIES

If you need a doctor when the surgery is closed please call the Out of Hours Service on 0300 123 3211

GP COMMISSIONING

From Dr Jonathan Wells: Hillview Medical Centre is one of the 22 practices forming Redditch and Bromsgrove Clinical Commissioning Group (RBCCG), which has a combined patient population of around 170000. All practices in Redditch and Bromsgrove have been working together since 2006 to help plan healthcare services for our patients. This is achieved through our involvement in Clinical Commissioning, which gives GPs and other health professionals a greater say in how NHS resources are used.

There is a GP Lead for Commissioning in each practice; seven GPs sit on RBCCG Board, and I have been appointed as Chair and Clinical Lead, spending 2 days a week in this role.

Find out more at the CCG website: www.redditchandbromsgroveccg.nhs.uk

Please visit our new website www.hillviewmedicalcentre.com which offers an improved way to order your repeat prescriptions, get practice updates and news on the latest health issues.

Please ensure the contact details we hold for you are correct. Ask for a form to update your telephone numbers now