## The Glenfield Surgery

### Patient Participation Group



#### Welcome to the May 2019 edition of the PPG Newsletter

#### Healing Little Hearts (HLH) charity

Over the weekend of  $27^{th}$  and  $28^{th}$  April the Leicestershire 3 Peaks challenge of about 17 miles took place. The walk took in the 2 highest peaks in Leicestershire, Bardon Hill and Beacon Hill as well as Old John in Bradgate Park. On  $27^{th}$  April, 8 members of the Glenfield U3A Challenging walks group took to the hills and as well as the strenuous walk also tackled storm Hannah. The winds from Hannah made it difficult for the walkers to keep on their feet at times, but after nearly 9 hours the group completed the challenge.

On 28<sup>th</sup> April, 26 walkers took on the challenge, fortunately on a much calmer day. The group included Dr Chotai and his wife and a number of people from the Glenfield Dental Practice including Sanjay Vyas. The founder of the HLH charity, Dr Sanjiv Nichani, said a few words before the walkers set off. Ten of the group planned to walk up to Old John and then finish with a short walk in Bradgate Park. The rest of the group, ably led by Carole Reeves, set off on the rest of the challenge. Support cars had been arranged to meet the group at pre-arranged points to provide water, take people back if they were struggling and to make sure the walkers only carried what they needed. As none of the group were serious walkers it was pleasing to note that 10 of them completed the walk and the few that couldn't quite manage the complete route did at least 13 miles. A commendable performance by the walking groups on both days. We set a target to raise £2,000 and as at 15<sup>th</sup> May we have £2,105 with a few more sponsorship forms to come in and some collection boxes to be opened. A huge thank you to all the people who took part and to those who have made donations to HLH in support of this walk.

#### **Practice News**

#### **Bank Holiday closing**

The surgery will be closed on Monday 27th May.

#### **Building Works**

The building work to extend the attic space meeting room into a larger, more formal teaching/meeting room reached a significant stage on 3<sup>rd</sup> May. All the external work has been completed and the weatherproof sheeting and scaffolding have been removed. The work is now concentrated inside as the electrical work is completed, new flooring laid and the room fitted out.

The other major work completed is the installation of automatic doors to the entrances of the surgery and building B. The surgery door slides back at the touch of a button and affords a more spacious foyer area. The inner door will be propped open when the surgery is in use and a warm air curtain fitted to keep the cold air out in the winter months. It's been a long time coming but it's here at last and should make entering the surgery a lot easier for mums with their pushchairs and wheel chair users.

#### Primary Care Network (PCN)

The practice is a member of the North Blaby PCN

Dr Simon Vincent a GP from the Limes Medical Centre, is the Clinical Accountable Director for the PCN.

The PCN will in due course be appointing a "social prescriber" and a clinical Pharmacist who will work across all 5 member practices.

The PCN is an evolving organisation so service delivery will evolve over time. We will keep you informed of developments.

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#### Staff news

Susan Lawrence – Claims Officer, left the Practice on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

Caron Stanton – Claims Officer, joined the Practice on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019.

#### **Morningside Chemist**

As from 1st May, Morningside Chemist will close at 1pm on a Saturday afternoon.

#### **PPG** news

Despite advertising at the Library, the Co-op and the on the parish notice boards we have been unable the attract any new members to join the PPG so if anybody is interested and would like more details please email the Patient Group at <a href="mailto:gleenfieldsurgeryppg@outlook.com">gleenfieldsurgeryppg@outlook.com</a>

#### USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

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Out of Hours GP service tel: 111 NHS111 Advice 24/7 tel: 111

Glenfield Pharmacy tel: 01162876167 Website: <a href="www.glenfieldpharmacy.co.uk">www.glenfieldpharmacy.co.uk</a>

Morningside Pharmacy tel: 0116 2332713 Website: <a href="mailto:glenfield@morningsidepharmacy.co.uk">glenfield@morningsidepharmacy.co.uk</a>

Patient Participation Group email: <a href="mailto:glenfieldsurgeryppg@outlook.com">glenfieldsurgeryppg@outlook.com</a>

Spinal Health Clinics (private Osteopathy service) tel: 07956 231587

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