

Press Release

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Doddinghurst Surgery turf cutting marks start of new development

On 25th August works for the new surgery at Doddinghurst, Essex began on site. The completed building will provide 794 m² of space to enable the existing practice, located just around the corner from the new site in premises deemed not fit for purpose, to relocate to the new healthcare facility. This is seen as a wonderful opportunity for the GPs and staff to provide better access and a wider range of services, thus improving quality of care.

The Doddinghurst Surgery is one of the few training practices in South West Essex PCT and has 4 full time GPs serving over 8,700 patients, equating to 2,175 patients per full time GP. The practice area covers 30 square miles of semi-rural Essex, an area not covered by any other practice.

Ashley House plc one of the UK's leading health and social care infrastructure specialists has designed a building that will provide a modern, efficient and pleasant environment for patients to visit and staff to work within. The new development will provide the necessary infrastructure to deliver the best possible primary and social care services for many years to come.

" We are delighted that after seven years planning work has finally started on our new health centre. We would like to thank the overwhelming majority of our patients who have been so supportive of our plans and Ashley House who have worked tirelessly with us since 2004 to help us realise our dreams.

This fantastic new surgery will enable us to provide the highest standard of medical care to our patients and future generations while maintaining the family orientated personal care which we believe our patients value "

Dr Nigel Butler, Senior Partner, Doddinghurst Surgery



Left to right : Sean Cullerton, Vic Jardine (Site Manager) both from A&C Construction, Dr Anahita Noorian (new GP registrar), Daniel Alderton (Alderton Associates) Linzi Knights, (Development Manager, Ashley House plc), Eren Dunning (Alderton Associates) Dr Nigel Butler (senior partner) Dr Kenneth Wrixon, Dr Lesley Clough, 2 reception staff from existing surgery and behind them Ray Turnbull (Practice Manager).