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Almost there! A new health and social care facility for the community of Stanwell

Lead GPs, staff, members of Spelthorne Borough Council and developers Ashley House plc joined together to mark a 'nearly there' moment in the development of the new Stanwell Care and Community Centre.

Built on the former site of the Stanwell Day Centre, in Hadrian's Way the keys for the new Care and Community Centre based at Hadrian Way, Stanwell will be handed over next month.

Work is progressing well on site and the new 1,500 square metre facility and will be operational by the middle of August. The building will be housing St David's Family Practice (who are currently based just along the road from the new centre which has been situated in the same road in Stanwell for 12 years) and NHS Surrey community staff as well as a community café, library, and pharmacy. Patients will also benefit from the new treatment facilities and dedicated space for therapy services and facilities for minor surgery.

This community care focused project, has been led jointly by Spelthorne Borough Council and NHS Surrey and is the first of several which make up the 'Stanwell New Start' initiative. Ashley House as project manager undertook extensive consultation alongside the Council and the PCT to ensure the building will serve the expanding population of Stanwell and the surrounding area well into the future.

"I am delighted that Spelthorne's collaborative working is again delivering the community facilities our residents have requested - and deserve – a café, library and 21st century health centre re-located together in a brand new building. It is absolutely brilliant that we will now have a centre with 21st century facilities." **Leader of Spelthorne Borough Council Vivienne Leighton**

"It is wonderful to see what was just an idea a few years ago, come to fruition." **Councillor for Staines South, Jean Pinkerton**

"It is absolutely crucial that we have a new centre, the old building does not have the facilities that this one has so we are looking forward to moving." **Paul Sodhi, GP - St. David's Medical Centre**

"This is great news for patients and all the staff currently based at St David's Family Practice with so much under one roof, the new centre is going to be a vibrant and exciting development for the community." **Paul Bennett, Deputy Chief Executive, NHS Surrey**

"Having a pharmacy on site will make prescription collecting that much easier and convenient for patients. And with so much under one roof, the new centre is going to be a vibrant and exciting development for the community." **A spokesperson for NHS Surrey**

“I am really pleased that we’re nearing completion of this exciting new community facility. “This is a great community focused project and it clearly demonstrates what can be achieved with strong working partnerships in place. I am confident the new building will be welcomed by residents and with the variety of services under one roof it will become a great hub of integrated health and social care services for the community” Ian Shrimpton, Regional Development Manager at Ashley House

*“This project shows our long term commitment to provide excellent healthcare for our patients.”
Nigel Westbury, Practice Manager, St David’s Family Practice*



Shown above left to right, Peter Young, Project Manager, Ashley House plc, Councillor Jean Pinkerton, Dr. Sodhi, GP from St. David’s Medical Centre, Council Leader, Vivienne Leighton, Jonathan Holmes, CEO, Ashley House plc and Ian Shrimpton, Regional Development Manager, Ashley House plc