

Berryfields Medical Centre and Meadowcroft Surgery merger and new building

Frequently Asked Questions

Why are Berryfields Medical Centre and Meadowcroft Surgery moving into a new building?

North Aylesbury has a growing, ageing population with increasingly complex healthcare needs. We must also take into account the substantial future housing growth planned for the area. With this in mind, it is really important that we have a fit-for-purpose primary care facility that will be able to serve all the neighbouring communities in the future and allow us to provide the best possible healthcare for our patients.

The Berryfields Medical Centre has operated in temporary accommodation in Buckingham Park ever since it was founded, more than a decade ago. It has always been planned that it should eventually move to the area of the Berryfields development. The Meadowcroft Surgery building in Jackson Road was built in 1991 and is now approximately half the size needed for the number of patients it serves. The site cannot be redeveloped while practice services keep running, and there is not enough space to extend it.

Therefore, the building of new premises is essential for us to be able to serve our patient population in the best way possible.

Where will the new building be located?

The new building will be located on ground near to the roundabout at Paradise Orchard and Martin Dalby Way. (Add map link when ready).

When the new building opens, will I still be able to see my usual GP or Nurse?

Yes, the same staff and GPs will still be working at the new building. We are committed to providing continuity of care to our patients wherever possible. The building has also been designed in such a way that patients should quickly become familiar with where they need to go to visit their clinical team.

What can you tell us about the new building?

The new building will enable us to deliver a modern, high quality primary care service, working more closely with community groups and catering for all ages and disabilities.

The general practice services you are used to will still be available – including GP, nurses, various clinics and screenings. There are also plans for a dentist service to operate at this site.

The new building will be classed as BREEAM Excellent, which means it reaches the highest standard of insulation and energy conservation (BREEAM is a leading assessment method to measure the environmental, social and economic sustainability of new developments).

The new building has been designed with the community at its heart and we will be working with appropriate local groups who will have a virtual or physical presence on site. We will tell you more about this when arrangements are confirmed.

This building has been designed to maintain an accessible and friendly atmosphere by creating three multidisciplinary clinical areas; each patient will be registered at one such area.

Will you continue to use telephone/remote appointments at the new building?

We will continue to offer the appropriate appointment for our patients once they have been clinically assessed remotely. Many people find remote appointments convenient but face to face appointments continue to be extremely important. We expect to continue to use telephone/ remote appointments and will arrange face-to-face appointments whenever necessary.

We will continue to monitor the availability of appointments and improve access wherever possible to ensure patients have access to the care they need.

Will there be a pharmacy on-site?

At present there are no plans to build a pharmacy on site.

Will car parking be available at the new building?

More than 100 parking spaces will be available at the new building.

Can patients access the new building using local bus services?

Yes – please [click here](#) to view a bus timetable; and please [click here](#) to view a map of the timetable.