

Dear Members,

I am delighted to report that the easing of legally enforceable Covid-related restrictions will allow us to hold a public meeting for our members next month. This will be our first such meeting for 2 years. We will use this opportunity to hold our AGM, including a presentation of our financial report for 2021. Papers for this meeting will be posted on our website and copies will be available on the day.



Dr Kanchan Rege, Chief Medical Officer, had kindly agreed to attend and after the business part of the meeting is complete she will give a Trust overview of all 3 sites [Stamford, Peterborough and Huntingdon]. She will then focus on plans for Stamford Hospital and will be pleased to take questions at the end of her talk.

The meeting will take place on **Wednesday, April 20th** in the Meeting Hall at Stamford Hospital. Tea/Coffee will be served from 7.00pm and the meeting will start at 7.30pm.

We will be limited to 50 attendees.

If you wish to attend please phone Kay Hircock, secretary to the committee, on 01780 763333, to book

your place. Attendance at our previous meetings often exceeds 50 and if you subsequently find you cannot come please inform Kay so that she can contact members on the reserve list.



Hospital News:

We are delighted that the Minor Injuries Unit reopened last autumn.

Attendances are returning to pre-pandemic levels and we hope this much valued local service will be retained.

The plans for the further development of the site are still being developed and we will hear an up to date report on this from Dr Rege, including the future of the redundant parts of the site.

The Hospital has worked hard to avoid Covid infections over the past 2 years and this has allowed all Departments to remain active and continue to provide an excellent service. I am sure you will join me in thanking all the hard working, skilled, kind staff. Patient feedback remains as positive as ever.









FoSH news

Trish Mason organized a book sale at Easton on the Hill village hall on Dec 4th. This was highly successful with a good attendance and plenty of books sold. We were pleased to attract some new members. She has arranged a further similar event on **July 30th** [see below]. If you know of other venues and organizations that might wish to hold similar events please let me know. We are keen to expand our membership and message as far as possible.



Dave Baxter gave a talk on the **History of Stamford Hospital** to the Civic Society in February. This was well received, as his talks always are, and again some of our history books were sold and new members recruited. He will be very happy to give talks to other local organizations.

Membership drive:

The larger our membership number the greater our influence.

Please do encourage friends to join.

Our website (*friendsofstamfordhospital.org.uk*) provides all the details required and it is a very simple process.

A date for your diaries:

Easton on the Hill, Village Hall, Summer Fete 30/7/22 10am to 4.00pm. Craft stalls, cream teas, book sales and much more being planned.

Thank you for your support. I hope you will be able to come to the AGM.

Michael Dronfield

(Chairman, Friends of Stamford Hospital Trustees)