The Practice Manager and Sussex Primary Care (SPC) have met with staff and the Patient Participation Group (PPG) at Wish Park to update on the changes afoot.

Planning is underway to move the contract and lease from the partners to SPC. SPC is wholly owned by Sussex NHS Community Foundation Trust and provides NHS services to NHS patients with NHS funding.

**How did this come about?**

Following the resignation of 2 partners on 2018, and difficulties in finding replacements, the remaining partners have been looking at how best to manage the surgery going forward.

The surgery feels SPC offers protection to the current partners and staff, the potential to increase services and most importantly, provide security and sustainability for the future.

**Some of the benefits of this change include:**

* Practice stability - SPC will take away the risky elements of primary care from GP partners enabling them to focus on patient care
* Stabilise the local health economy and sustain primary care
* Provide joined up care for patients by linking up community and primary care
* Provide economies of scale and reduced management costs
* Career development for existing staff and new staff
* Improved efficiency- e.g. with referrals, post, scripts and more

There are 2 drop in sessions planned should you require more information.

Tuesday 1st October 2019 between 1 30 pm and 2 30 pm

Monday 14th October 2019 between 5 30 pm and 6 30 pm

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