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5th August 2026

Dear Patient

Consultation on proposed closure of Wilderness Road Branch Site

We are writing to inform you of a proposed change to services at Brookside Group Practice.

We are considering the closure of the Wilderness Road site, and we want to hear your views.

Why we are proposing this change?

We have recently reviewed how services are delivered across our practice. This has highlighted some of the benefits to having the services currently provided at the Wilderness Road site, provided at our Chalfont and Brookside sites.

This would:

- Increase our clinical capacity by 12 appointments per week - currently staff need time to travel between sites.
- Allow access to a wider range of services such as minor ops, MSK assessments and dermatology appointments which cannot be provided at Wilderness Road surgery due to the equipment needed.
- Allow access to urgent ECGS or blood tests. There is not always a Practice Nurse at the Wilderness Road surgery so urgent blood tests are carried out at our other sites.
- Allow clinical staff to have access to other clinicians to reduce clinical isolation and increase opportunity for second opinions if needed, providing better support for patients.
- Reduce staffing inefficiencies. Opening and running a site for one clinician is inefficient so will free up the reception team and reduce costs.
- Free up resources in maintaining an older building in order to improve building maintenance across the other three sites.

Our aim is to ensure we can continue to provide safe, high-quality, and sustainable care for all patients.

What this would mean for you

If the proposal goes ahead:

- You would remain registered with Brookside Group Practice, no action would be needed by you.
- Services would be provided from Chalfont, Brookside and Winnersh sites.

We would:

- Ensure continuity of care, particularly for vulnerable patients. You would still be registered with the same GP and be part of the same Patient Health Team.
- Support patients who may find travel difficult.
- Review appointment availability to meet demand.

Your views are very important and will help shape the outcome.

You can share your feedback by:

- Completing our survey online:
www.yourvoicethamesvalley.nhs.uk/consultation-on-proposed-closure-of-wilderness-road-branch-surgery
- Collecting a paper copy at reception.
- Speaking to our Patient Participation Group (PPG).

Deadline for feedback: Monday 24th August

What happens next

- We will review all feedback received.
- We will be holding a public meeting on Wednesday 23rd September 2026 at the Trinity church at 6pm.
- A final decision will be made in partnership with NHS commissioners.
- We will then update you on the outcome.

Thank you for taking the time to share your views and for being part of our practice.

Yours sincerely,



Sarah Rutland

Senior Operations Manager
Brookside Group Practice.

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