

Briefing on Chipping Norton War Memorial Community Hospital

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The following briefing is to update members of the Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee as to the services provided at the Chipping Norton War Memorial Community Hospital, located in Russel Way, Chipping Norton.

The Outpatient Unit for Chipping Norton and surrounding villages provides an excellent X-Ray service, open Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings, appointments are via GP referral. The Unit is also a base for Health Visitor, Community Nursing, Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy services, plus the hospital hosts the following weekly and monthly outpatient clinics:

Consultant led outpatient clinics:

- Clinical Genetics
- Community Paediatric
- Ear, Nose & Throat (ENT)
- Gastroenterology**
- Gerontology
- Gynaecology
- Memory
- Neuro Development**
- Orthopaedic
- Paediatric
- Paediatric Orthopaedic
- Paediatric Urology
- Rheumatology

**Some clinics have not re-started due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Nurse, technician or therapist led outpatient clinics:

- AAA Screening
- Adult Audiology
- Audiology walk-in**
- Bladder & Bowel (adult & paediatric)
- Community Adult Mental Health
- Diabetic**
- Dietetic**
- Heart Failure
- Neurology
- Paediatric Audiology
- Parkinson's Physiotherapy
- Podiatry
- Respiratory Physiotherapy
- Speech & Language
- Talking Space**
- Ultrasound

The community hospital also houses the Cotswold Birth Centre. Managed by a team of highly skilled and experienced community midwives and dedicated maternity support workers, the Centre offers continuity of care and a sensitive, individualised approach to many low-risk women who do not need to give birth in hospital. Women can receive all of their antenatal care at the Centre, including the initial booking appointment and subsequent routine appointments.

In addition a new diagnostic ultrasound clinic was piloted at the beginning of the first lockdown last year with an ultrasound system on loan from Oxford. This had to be returned as services resumed in the city but the service is opened again this week thanks to the purchase of a new system by the League of Friends for Chipping Norton Community Hospital. The clinic will be held twice a week for patients from Chipping Norton and the surrounding areas.

As you will see from the above information, Chipping Norton War Memorial Community Hospital is a thriving facility, it is well loved and supported by the local community and the NHS. There are no plans to change services at the hospital.