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Dear Patients,

Update on the Marchwood Branch Surgery

We are writing to inform you that following careful consideration and a period of engagement with patients, staff and stakeholders, NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board (ICB) has now approved our application to close our Marchwood branch surgery.

The final date of service delivery at the Marchwood site will be **Tuesday 30th September 2025**.

As we explained in our previous communication, this decision has not been made lightly. It follows detailed evaluation of the challenges we face in delivering safe, high-quality care across three sites, with increasing pressure on staffing and resources.

By consolidating services at our main site in Dibden Purlieu and continuing to work with our neighbouring practices at the Urgent Care Centre in Hythe, we are confident that we can continue to meet your healthcare needs now and in the future. This change will allow us to focus on investing in our clinical teams, improving access to care, and maintaining a sustainable, resilient practice.

There will be **no reduction in our patient list or staff numbers** as a result of this change, and you will remain registered with Forestside Medical Practice. All appointments currently held at Marchwood will be offered at Dibden Purlieu or, where appropriate, through the Urgent Care Centre in Hythe.

We understand that this news may be disappointing to some patients, particularly those who have used the Marchwood branch for many years. We remain committed to supporting you during this transition and are happy to discuss any specific concerns you may have.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

The Partners
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