

**FLEET HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY FRIENDS Charity No 1109526**

**“Supporting local Health Care needs**

**November 2019 Christmas Newsletter.**

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**Dear Friend,**

**“I’m sure it’s only three months since I was typing last year’s Christmas newsletter”**

**It has been a rather frustrating year for the plans for the hospital. As I told you in the April newsletter there were plans for a 1.5 million revamp of the building and services at the hospital. Work was due to start in August 2018, but planning permission has been a problem. We all have our fingers crossed that the project goes ahead, as it will safeguard the future of the site.**

**Our membership has increased to 110, which is not a real reflection ,as some members represent bigger groups within Fleet. We still need younger members to come onboard to replace the older generation.**

**I hopefully will be stepping down as membership secretary, as my role as Vice Chair has developed over the passed few years. I will let you know the new person as soon as I can strong arm them into post.**

**Just to remind you all that you can pay your subs directly into the banks. I can give you details of our account.**

**Thank you all for your continued support to the Friends. We have recently supported several initiatives.**

**£42,000 for a Urology Scanner for OPD.**

**£3,000 toward the setup of an “Man with a Van” project. This enables the Occupational Therapists to visit resident’s homes to support them when in crisis. This will prevent unnecessary admissions to A&E, and calls to the emergency services. The van will have all the equipment needed when people fall or need increased emergency support.**

**We have also donated to the Samaritans.**

**There have also been other smaller spends.**

**Dates for your Diary**

**November 30th Christmas Fair 10am-12md, at all Saint church. We do need more tombola items.**

**December 18th at 6.30pm the Carol services on Calthorpe Ward**

**February 28th at All Saints. Let me know if you want to bring a team, £12 a head with supper.**

**We would love to meet our members if you can pop down to the Fair.**

**Best wishes for a Happy Christmas.**

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