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Dear colleague,

**Leighton Road Surgery, 1 Leighton Rd, Leighton Buzzard LU7 1LB**

We wanted to write to you with an update about Leighton Road Surgery and to provide assurance that GP services will continue to be provided as usual.

The current contract for Leighton Road Surgery is managed by Dr Mohit Venkataram and Dr Vaishali Ashar, with back-office functions provided by East London Foundation Trust (ELFT).

Dr Venkataram and Dr Ashar have confirmed that they will continue to run the contract for Leighton Road Surgery, working closely with the ICB to deliver the contract.

We have also been notified by ELFT of their intention to end other primary care general practice contracts in Bedfordshire and Luton from Monday 30 June 2025.

Patients at Leighton Road (including the branch surgery) will see no change in the running of the practice. They will continue to access GP services, see the same GPs and practice staff as usual.

Dr Venkataram and Dr Ashar will work with ELFT to arrange a suitable handover period and staff will be transferred over to their direct employment.

If you have any queries about this briefing or would like further information, please email:

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Yours faithfully,



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