

# Tadcaster Medical Centre Update

## Focus On..



**Dr. Chris Burgin**

Dr Burgin has joined us as a GP Registrar but we are happy to announce that he will be staying! Here's what he has to say....

*"From a very early age I was fascinated with the thought of becoming a Doctor but it was my other passion, music which diverted my attention when leaving Hartland Comprehensive School in Worksop, Nottinghamshire.*

*As a keen pianist, after four years of studying I was awarded a degree in Music and Education from Leeds University and set out on my teaching career at a wonderful school in Nottingham, teaching all the classroom subjects to primary school children. Although I loved my job the thought of studying medicine would not go away so I decided to change careers and start a six year degree at Sheffield University Medical School.*

*After my training I worked in many different areas at Sheffield Northern General and Rotherham District Hospital before making the move to North Yorkshire in 2010, spending two years at Harrogate Hospital as well as Boston Spa Surgery before joining Tadcaster Medical Centre in 2012.*

*My clinical interests are Psychiatry as well as Elderly Medicine and I continue my interest in teaching, working with Leeds, Hull and York Medical Schools teaching undergraduates and junior Doctors.*

*Outside of work, my partner and I love getting out and about seeing friends all over the country, exploring the great outdoors and with our beautiful greyhound Henry.*

*I still play the piano for enjoyment and have a great interest in cars.*

*I am very much enjoying my time here at Tadcaster and have certainly been made to feel welcome!"*

## Patient Participation Group (PPG)

**What's a Patient Participation Group?**



**The PPG is a small group of our patients and 2 GP partners**

**Our aims are:**

- 1. To increase communication between the practice & patients.**
- 2. To involve the community in helping the practice make some of the decisions that will effect them.**

**How can I help?**

- Have you any ideas that you feel will benefit the practice and its patients?**
- How can we encourage patients to take responsibility for their own health & that of their family?**
- Why not join the group and have your say?**
- We have a suggestion box in the main reception area to help improve patient care.**
- Alternatively you can send suggestions via the 'Contact Us' page on our website. If you would like to have a say in the services provided by the Medical Centre on a more regular basis but can't attend PPG meetings you can let us have your email details and we will add you to our virtual group. We won't share your details with anyone else or bombard you with information just share any questions raised or being discussed at the PPG.**

## Smoking Cessation

One to one support is offered by Jill Ross from our local NHS Stop Smoking Service on a Tuesday morning at the practice. For full details either call: 0845 877 0025 or go to: [www.northyorkshireandynhsh.uk](http://www.northyorkshireandynhsh.uk) and click on 'Staying Healthy'. Patients in West Yorkshire can access their service on 0800 169 4219 or by emailing: [stopsmokingleeds@nhs.net](mailto:stopsmokingleeds@nhs.net). Both Calcaria and Kirkgate Pharmacies offer smoking cessation support - please contact them to arrange an appointment.

## Useful Contact Numbers:

Calcaria Pharmacy:  
01937 832287

Kirkgate Pharmacy:  
01937 832276

York District Hospital:  
01904 631 313

Non Urgent Ambulance  
Transport Bookings  
0300 330 2000