

# Oaks Park Medical Centre



## Why build a new Health Centre ?

The Government is promoting the construction of new purpose built medical facilities in settings that are more cost effective than what is currently provided. These new facilities will supply modern health care and improve the ability of patients to get the best medical treatment available.

## Who is doing the work?

The Ashville Medical Practice has moved from Doncaster Road to a new building that is just off Thornton Road and can be accessed from Redhill Avenue and is now known as Oaks Park Medical Centre.

This Practice was established in the area over 100 years ago and has been one of the largest practices in Barnsley for a similar amount of time.

The major benefit from having a large practice is that it allows for a greater range of in-house expertise that is able to deal with a wide range of medical problems. This reduces the need to refer patients elsewhere for treatment.

The new centre provides the normal medical services that a general practice does, but also:

- It houses the Primary Care Trust's **(PCT)** District Nurses for the area acting as their base and clinic.
- Health visitors work from the centre, holding baby clinics
- Complimentary therapy is on site, such as Acupuncture
- The Community Store sells items from baby milk, hearing aid batteries and wide range of other medical extras
- There is also a Pharmacist in the centre too !

## Kendray Updates

On 12th October the Oaks Park Medical Centre was officially opened by former Government Minister, Tony Benn.

*(Above information was correct in December 2006)*

Work began on the new building in May 2005 and is expected to cost £2.5 million. The work is now due to finish in September 2006

*(Above information was correct in July 2006)*

The work is due to finish in August 2006

*(Above information was correct in February 2006)*

## Who to Contact

**To make an appointment please call 01226 729860**

To become a patient at the new Centre, all you need to do is fill in an application form (GM1), which are available from the Oaks Park Medical Centre and all doctors surgeries, the **(PCT)** and most Libraries.

EXISTING patients DO NOT need to apply to become a patient at the new centre, because they have been transferred automatically.

For more information about the new practice please contact the Practice

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