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Dear Patient,

We are writing to provide important information regarding the premises used by Billinge Medical Practice.

Billinge Medical Practice operates from a building owned by former GP partners who are now the landlords of the property. Over the past two years the practice has been working closely with the landlords, NHS colleagues and the Integrated Care Board (ICB) to try to secure a long-term lease and access capital funding to improve the building. This work included extensive discussions and the development of a capital grant proposal that would have enabled improvements to the premises.

Despite significant work from all parties involved it has not been possible to reach an agreement that works for everyone. The landlords have now confirmed that they intend to sell the building and have issued notice to the practice to vacate the premises.

We appreciate that this news may raise questions. This situation relates to the building rather than the practice itself. Billinge Medical Practice remains open and continues to provide care to our patients and the local community while we work with NHS England, the Integrated Care Board and other partners to secure a suitable long-term premises solution.

Over the past two years the practice team has worked hard to strengthen and develop services for our community. The practice is now rated **Good** by the Care Quality Commission and it has also become a training practice, supporting the development of future GPs. We remain committed to building on this progress and ensuring that patients in Billinge continue to have access to high-quality primary care.

The practice is working closely with NHS England, the Integrated Care Board and other stakeholders to explore options to secure suitable premises for the future of the practice. A number of possibilities are being considered and discussions are ongoing.

There are no immediate changes to the services you receive and patients should continue to access care from the practice in the usual way.

Decisions about NHS premises involve a number of organisations and processes and we will continue working closely with NHS England and the Integrated Care Board to ensure the best possible outcome for our patients and the local community.

We understand that the practice is an important part of the Billinge community and we are committed to working with the NHS and local partners to secure the long-term future of the practice.

We will continue to keep patients informed as discussions progress. Updates will be shared on the practice website, social media, via the NHS app and practice text messaging. We thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,



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