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## The Nelson Health Centre welcomes Stephen Hammond MP



The Nelson Health Centre in Wimbledon today welcomed local MP Stephen Hammond on a visit to see the vital role the building plays in supporting community health.

The Nelson in Kingston Road, Wimbledon offers residents a range of vital services including GP surgeries; mental health provision; minor surgery facilities; support services for older people; specialist outpatient clinics; together with a café and pharmacy all helping to create an important community hub. The Nelson has also invested in a number of community initiatives to help support local health and social care needs, including a long-running partnership with AFC Wimbledon.

Mr Hammond's visit allowed him to view the wide range of health and social care facilities available to local residents, and to meet NHS and clinical staff from key services including The Nelson Medical Practice, the Holistic Assessment and Rapid Investigation (HARI) service, and services provided at The Nelson by St George's Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

The Nelson Health Centre was built by South West London Health and Care Partnership which brings together healthcare investor Fulcrum working closely with Community Health Partnerships, a key part of the NHS family.

**Fulcrum CEO Sarah Beaumont-Smith said:** "At such an important time for community health, it was great to welcome Stephen Hammond MP to The Nelson and to showcase what a vital role it plays in supporting the health and well-being of residents across Merton. With a wide range of health and social care services all under one roof, The Nelson underlines the huge value of investing in quality Primary Care facilities in the heart of the community."

**Malcolm Twite, Executive Director of Property and Operations at CHP commented**: *"It was* excellent to welcome Stephen to The Nelson and show him around the building and how the primary care estate can shape primary care delivery in the future. Across our estate, we are always looking to be innovative within our buildings, for example, Jean Bishop Integrated Care Centre in Hull where we have worked closely with clinicians on what they need from their space."





