

# OLD SCHOOL SURGERY - SEAFORD

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Mrs Victoria Rutt  
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24<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Victoria

Thank you for your letter of 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021 in relation to our branch surgery at Alfriston. I am sorry that it was felt that our original response did not address patient concern.

As previously explained, the practice has remained open and accessible to patients throughout the Covid pandemic but with patients only attending in person if clinically necessary. The practice main site is Old School Surgery in Seaford with Alfriston being a branch site and not an independent surgery.

In order that we can continue to provide the necessary healthcare to all of our 10,000 patients and maintain the safety of our patients, clinicians and staff as well as maintaining service provision it was and remains necessary to contain this within one premise being Old School Surgery.

There is no planned change to this process at this time.

Alfriston continues to be used by staff for remote consultations and by our dispensary team with Old School remaining the 'hub' for seeing patients in a controlled environment.

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We are unaware of any rumours around the permanent closure of our Alfriston branch and where this has originated from. We can confirm and offer the reassurance that there are no plans nor discussions taking place in relation to any permanent closure.

I hope that this clarifies the situation for the Parish Council.

Yours sincerely



Angela Green  
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