

## Lou Patten applauds the work of Keep the Horton General

Keep the Horton General (KTHG) invited Lou Patten, outgoing Chief Executive Officer of the Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (OCCG), to its weekly meeting on Wednesday 8 January.

She spoke honestly about her time in office and what she had achieved to ensure the future, and viability, of the Horton General Hospital (HGH).

Ms Patten was full of praise for the group and said that she, and the Clinical Commissioning Group, had learnt much from our endeavours.

She said that our group had been recognised nationally and that NHS England had taken note of our input in maintaining and expanding services at HGH.

She told the meeting "I have been extremely impressed by the role that Keep the Horton General Campaign Group has within the local Horton Hospital catchment area. The input from members is always articulate, well informed and presents a strong and coordinated patient voice. I have personally learnt a great deal from the Group and I am delighted that they intend to work tirelessly to gain some much needed capital investment to ensure the Horton remains fit for the future".

KTHG chairman, Keith Strangwood, responded 'we thank Lou Patten for recognising the input that our group has had in shaping the future of our beloved Horton. We are volunteers who have laboured tirelessly to keep HGH as a fully functioning hospital for Banburyshire residents. To have that recognised formally means a great deal. We will continue unabated. Look out for our rebranded banners' Mr Strangwood added.

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