



**Community
Pharmacy**
West Yorkshire

West Yorkshire MP Visit!

Friday 9th May 2025

A huge thank you to the team at Heath Pharmacy in Halifax, who hosted their local MP, Kate Dearden, for a visit. The team used this as an opportunity to discuss the new pharmacy settlement and the ongoing funding shortfall.

Kate met with pharmacist, Amanda Smith, to talk through the new contract and the ramifications for community pharmacy. Amanda said:

"We invited Kate back for a follow-up visit to the pharmacy after she previously visited us on the NPA day of action last June. We discussed the recent contract settlement and the independent financial review. We acknowledged that the new contract was a positive step forward after so many years of negative funding, but there is still a way to go if we are to achieve the funding recommended by the independent financial review."

We discussed the new developments for services which will be introduced over the coming months. Kate was glad to hear that there would soon be a stepped approach to the monthly clinical pathway targets as this was something we had talked about on her previous visit due to many pharmacies struggling to achieve the minimum threshold."

Kate was very positive about community pharmacy and was grateful for the support we provide to the local population. We discussed the accessibility of community pharmacy and the fact that people can easily get advice for their minor health conditions, without having to make an appointment."



**Thank you to Amanda and the
team at Heath Pharmacy and
Labour MP, Kate Dearden!**

