

# West Yorkshire MP Visit!

Friday 6th June 2025



**Regional Support Manager, Ryan Fallon said:**

*"We were pleased to welcome Sir Alec Shelbrooke MP to Day Lewis Pharmacy in Wetherby. His visit was extremely positive, and he showed genuine engagement throughout. He was particularly focused on the financial challenges community pharmacies like ours continue to face and took a keen interest in the private weight loss services we offer. We also discussed the pressures of delivering both flu and COVID-19 vaccinations, and he listened attentively to how our team managed these demands. We appreciate his time and interest in the vital role community pharmacies play in local healthcare."*

Our CEO, Nicola Goodberry Kenneally joined Regional Support Manager, Ryan Fallon, in welcoming Sir Alec Shelbrooke MP to Day Lewis Pharmacy in Wetherby. This visit provided a valuable opportunity to showcase the essential patient care that community pharmacies deliver daily, particularly within the fast-paced environment of a health centre.

During the visit, discussions centred on the evolving **Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework (CPCF)** and the latest funding deal. While the deal marks a step forward, it remains clear that significant shortfalls persist when measured against the financial realities of delivering community pharmacy services. The conversation emphasised how pharmacies are navigating these economic pressures while maintaining high-quality clinical care for patients.

Sir Alec expressed interest in the uptake of **flu and COVID vaccinations** in the region, recognising the pivotal role pharmacies play in preventive healthcare. The team highlighted the progress of **Pharmacy First** and its success in easing GP pressures and improving patient access, alongside potential future clinical services.

As a Conservative MP, Sir Alec pledged to pressure the new Labour government to fulfil its promises when reviewing the pharmacy contract.

This visit reinforced the importance of political engagement in securing pharmacy's future advocating for funding, sharing real world experiences, and demonstrating the sector's value within healthcare.

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**Thank you to the team at Day Lewis Pharmacy and  
Conservative MP, Sir Alec Shelbrooke!**

