

The Parish of Holy Trinity, Hildersham

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Dear Clerk

Parish Nurse Project

Following my letter to you in February of this year, I am pleased to write again with an update on Kim Cox's appointment as the new Parish Nurse.

After a successful induction training period, Kim started her job in April, and has since been busy dealing with former clients, some of whom were already being supported by Claire, but also an increasing number of new clients. Many of these new clients have sought help as a result of the pandemic, often with a different set of challenges to those faced before. The evidence for the need of a Parish Nurse is clearly seen, and even in the few months that Kim has been with us she has made a huge difference and helped the lives of many.

We have had some very positive feedback from the questionnaires that clients are given the option to complete, and which help us to continually monitor the work of the Parish Nurse.

- *My visits from Kim have been of huge value. I find her practical care for the duration of each visit most supportive and I am left feeling that I have been nurtured. But alongside this is her clinical knowledge and access to the Granta practice. For example, last week Kim contacted the GP to request a prescription which was approved and delivered to me within days. A service which is valuable to me and I am sure of great value to the Granta Medical Practice.*
- *I was hesitant in making initial contact but I needed to talk to her. I am so pleased as she has been a lifeline. Her cheerful smile is a tonic and she is so professional.*
- *On my arrival to start cancer treatment Kim arranged for me to be set up as part of a family unit and has been very supportive.*

We have been so very fortunate in the financial support we have received thus far that I am pleased to say the project is currently on a sound footing however, to be able to continue as planned we will need to raise a further £20,000.00 over the next two years. If your council were willing to discuss future funding and you thought it helpful, Kim and I would be very happy to attend a meeting. We are very aware that you will be planning your budgets for 2022-23 in the next few weeks.

We hope very much to organise a drinks reception in the Spring of next year, with the aim of inviting our supporters along to meet Kim and the other members of the Parish Nurse Management Group. But in the meantime I thank you for your past support and hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

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