CHIPPING CAMPDEN SURGERY FRIENDS CHARITABLE TRUST

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

As a small town, Chipping Campden is blessed with a number of charitable trusts, some of which have the tremendous benefit of having very large capital reserves. Our charity is very much the minnow in the pond. Over ten years ago we received two generous bequests which we have invested wisely. However, as a local charity we really do need your support at the moment to guarantee our long term ability to support the surgery. During the financial year 2022 -2023, our income was £1210, thanks to two Lenten Lunches falling in the same year. During this year we donated £4183 to the surgery. The largest expenditure was for £2883 for an asthma testing kit. Since then we have had no income but have just paid a further £1963 for a new ECG machine. This will enable the surgery to carry out testing on site rather than patients having to make the journey to a hospital. This level of financial support has eaten significantly into our bank account balances and it won't be long before we start drawing money from our investment funds.

How can you help us?

Firstly, we would really like as many of you as possible either to make a one-off donation to our Trust or set up a monthly direct debit. If 50 patients felt they could afford a monthly direct debit of £10, this would generate an annual income of £6000. This is easy for you to set up with your bank and our bank details are as follows:

Account name: Campden Surgery Friends

Sort Code: 30-93-11

Account number: 02118208

If you do make a donation and are a tax payer, please email me (Email: price.evergreens@gmail.com) your details so the Trust can claim the tax relief. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Secondly, we are holding our first **Quiz Night** on the evening of **Friday 9**th **February 2024** in the Campden Church Rooms, 7pm until 10pm. We will be selling a ticket for a table of six persons for £60. This will include a substantial ploughman's supper half way through the evening and will cover our costs. We will be providing a bar for wine, beers and soft drinks with a debit card reader. You might already be part of a regular quiz team or you might get together with some friends and neighbours to make up a team. We will need payment up front before the evening as the venue has limited space. If this event is a success then it could become a regular annual event with a larger venue. If you would like to book a table ticket, please email Mark Reckitt who will send you details of how to pay. Email to mark.reckitt@gmail.com

Finally, we will be providing our regular **Lenten Lunch** on **Tuesday 12th March 2024.** This year's lunch was a big success and was very well-supported, raising another £450 towards our funds.

Thank you for your continued support.

Jeff Price Chairman