

Mayfield Medical Centres, New Road Site, Brixham (The Old St Lukes Practice)

St Luke's Medical Practice in Brixham is one of three sites run by the Partners of Mayfield Medical Centres. Mayfield Medical Centres took over the running of St Lukes Medical Practice in 2018 after it ran into significant difficulty and external help was sought. It then became a branch site of Mayfield Medical Centres.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, GP practices across the country have made significant temporary changes to the way they deliver services in order to limit exposure for both patients and staff, and minimise the spread of the disease. Another consideration has been reduced staffing capacity, due to self-isolation, shielding and childcare commitments. The focus has shifted to an increase use of telephone, online and video consultations and careful use of practice buildings. In response to this, Mayfield concentrated the reduced rate of face-to-face appointments, when they were necessary, to their Mayfield and Cherrybrook sites where the highest standards of infection control with regard to Covid could be achieved. This was after a careful assessment and joint consultation with the CCG and Devon Local Medical Committee .This is however a temporary change.

Currently patients can contact Mayfield Medical Centre via telephone, e-Consult, email and even text message. The surgery has two visiting paramedics who are able to visit house-bound patients and the support from the charity, Brixham Does Care, in assisting with the transport of patients to the two sites has been greatly appreciated.

When Mayfield took on the running of St Luke's in 2018 their future plans for the Branch included developing a modern facility at Brixham Hospital. These plans are still under review by South Devon Healthcare Foundation Trust.