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# Hingham Surgery Feedback



#### **June 2025**

In June 2025 we visited Hingham Surgery to speak with patients about their experience with health and social care services. From this visit we received 25 reviews for the surgery. The reviews have an average star rating of 4.9 out of 5.

Hingham Surgery is a GP surgery in the market town of Hingham. Upon their last inspection in October 2016, the surgery received a rating of "Good", from the CQC. There are approximately 7900 patients registered with the surgery. Hingham Surgery offers a variety of services including antenatal clinics, coil clinics and reviews for chronic conditions.

Healthwatch Norfolk Officers who visited Hingham Surgery noted:



There is an external hatch for the dispensary which reduces foot traffic inside the surgery.

An area for community information and a book exchange is provided at the entrance of the premises.

The car park is compact, but all patients were able to find a space during our visit.

Overall, people were very happy with the care they received at Hingham surgery, particularly praising the staff for their kind nature and helpfulness. Most people felt they were able to get appointments when they needed, however there was a concern about how the surgery would cope as the town continues to grow.



Below there is a graph that shows the key themes and feelings shared in the feedback collected by Healthwatch Norfolk.



Response from Hingham Surgery:

"We really appreciate the positive comments and feedback given by our patients. We are here for our local community and all staff do their best for our patients. We continue to monitor and review how we need to evolve as the town grows."

The reviews are displayed in the table below and can be found on our website <u>www.healthwatchnorfolk.co.uk</u>.

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ID	Service	Title	Review	Rating
	Provider	nue	Keview	Ruling
260645	Hingham	Good access	It's the best surgery I've ever been to. From the reception staff through to	5
	Surgery	and attitudes	the doctors' availability it's great. The option for in-person or over the	
		enables me to	phone appointments is good. The staff seem very happy which makes it	
		address issues	a less stressful environment. I'm so impressed with how easy it is to get	
			in. As a man, I wouldn't bother if it was difficult to get in, I'd leave it.	
			Particularly when it comes to mental health - because they're open and	
			willing, it means I've addressed things. The receptionists never chastise	
			you!	
260643	Hingham	Couldn't get	It's very good, I don't think you could get better. They put themselves out	5
	Surgery	better	if you need to be seen and you can get an appointment here any time.	
			I'll ring up and that works OK for me.	
260642	Hingham	Excellent	Excellent! I've been a patient for over 20 years, and I've had very few	5
	Surgery		problems to speak of. All the staff are really good. I've been with Shaun	
			Conway for most of it and he's an excellent chap. They've got a very	
			friendly hen!	
260640	Hingham	Superb care	Their patient care is superb, they always listen to you and give you	5
	Surgery		plenty of time. They're one of the best from what I've heard.	
260638	Hingham	Good service	Good service, better than my last one! They can get you in quicker and	5
	Surgery		see to you quicker. They're polite and friendly.	
260637	Hingham	Excellent	It's excellent, they always listen and help. We've been here 40-odd years,	5
	Surgery		and they've always been good. We had a hospital appointment last	
			week and the doctor here called on Monday to say the new hospital	
			recommended medication has been sorted.	

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260635	Hingham	Happy with	I'm happy with everything. To me they're just brilliant. They're always	5
	Surgery	everything	helpful, polite, they listen to you. Prescriptions are on time, and they'll	
			chase up things like hospitals for you. I'd give them 101%! They're doing	
			great.	
260634	Hingham	The best	It's always really good every time. We've always managed to get a	5
	Surgery	surgery	same-day appointment if we've needed one. They're the best surgery.	
260633	Hingham	Brilliant	It's my first time and they're brilliant. I was late because of roadworks,	5
	Surgery		and they still saw me, they were accommodating. I booked yesterday	
			when I rang up. I'm so relieved my issue has been dealt with and it's nice	
			you can get your prescriptions here too.	
260632	Hingham	Like a doctor's	It's bloody brilliant! It's like a doctor's surgery from the 90s. You call up	5
	Surgery	from the 90s!	and they're lovely, you can always get an appointment. Friends who live	
			out of the area are jealous!	
260631	Hingham	Caring staff	I think it's brilliant. I've been here since I was a child and never had	5
	Surgery		problems. It's not too hard to get an appointment, it's generally within a	
			few days. The staff are very caring and always have time.	
260630	Hingham	Pleasant and	Very nice, pleasant and helpful. I'm a new patient and the doctor was	5
	Surgery	helpful	very lovely, they listened.	
260629	Hingham	Attitudes	I think they're very good. The way they talk to you - their manners and	5
	Surgery	appreciated	attitudes. They talk TO you, not ordering you. They see my wife and	
			daughter as well. I don't normally ask for a particular doctor as they're all	
			good, but I sometimes do for continuation. When you book, they always	
			ask which doctor you want to see.	
260628	Hingham	Pretty good	They're pretty good really. Waiting times can be a bit long although it's	5
	Surgery		not really their fault and they did do well today. It seems to work best if	
			you speak to them at the desk.	

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260626	Hingham	Everything I	Brilliant - they run on time, they listen to you and they're very helpful. So	5
	Surgery	could wish for	far, it's everything I could wish for. They're always friendly. If you want an	
			appointment here, you can actually book it! The system just works.	
260625	Hingham	Inviting and	This has been my surgery since I was a child and it's really inviting and	5
	Surgery	homely	homely. Every time I come here, I get a clear understanding of what the	
			issue is and how to fix it.	
260624	Hingham	Helpful staff	It's excellent. I find the staff are all extremely helpful. No problems	5
	Surgery		whatsoever, top marks.	
260623	Hingham	Wouldn't have	They're so good. Dr. Conway is 'up there' in my opinion. He was so terribly	5
	Surgery	survived	good with my husband who was very ill for a long time and without him I	
		without them	wouldn't have survived either. He is a very, very good doctor who gets to	
			the root of things. He listens to you and looks into your face, when you're	
			not feeling well that's priceless really. The nurses are friends of mine now	
			as we saw them so often and every time I come in they greet me	
			warmly.	
260621	Hingham	I feel secure	It's incredible! I've never come across any staff that are off-ish. The	5
	Surgery	and safe	doctors have been lovely, they follow things through and pick things up.	
			It's nice having a really lovely female doctor for when you have a female	
			problem. Orla is all over it and makes me feel at ease. She makes me	
			laugh! Shaun is great too. They're human. I feel secure and safe. I can	
			get in quickly and the online prescriptions are great. 5 plus stars.	
260619	Hingham	Good care	Amazing! They've always been polite, and I manage to get	5
	Surgery	and polite	appointments really quickly. I'll call if it's urgent or use online if it's not	
			and usually get seen in about a week. The care is good.	
260615	Hingham	They're fine	I don't tend to go much but they seem fine. I mostly book my	5
	Surgery		appointments by telephone and that works OK. Occasionally on	

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			reception there could be a bit more empathy involved. The village is	
			getting bigger, and they've taken on more patients. The surgery needs to	
			be bigger with more doctors or have another surgery in another village. I	
			am grateful and try to see it from both sides.	
260613	Hingham	Nice friendly	They're great, always really helpful and you don't have to wait too long.	5
	Surgery	staff	They have nice, friendly staff. They're great with me and my little one.	
260612	Hingham	l wouldn't	I wouldn't leave here. I've got a lot of health issues going on and the	5
	Surgery	leave	comfort and reassurance from Dr. Fox is excellent. It's not a problem to	
			book appointments either online or by phone.	
260609	Hingham	Clean and tidy	It's alright, it was my first time here. The place is clean and tidy. There	4
	Surgery		was a wait of over thirty minutes in the waiting room but that's OK really.	
260607	Hingham	They're quick	It's good, you can get an appointment when you need one, I call up in	4
	Surgery		the mornings. They accommodate me if I ask to see particular doctors.	
			They're quick! It's nice especially compared to other surgeries.	