## How things work visit to Canterbury Christchurch Medical Facility.

6 December 2017

22 members of the group attended this event.

Canterbury Christchurch is at the forefront of training Operating Department Practitioners. (ODP's) We met Alan Mount who is a Senior Lecturer and responsible for ODP standards and training.

We were shown around the scrub room and a modern operating theatre in a typical NHS setting. The training equipment was first class and we were able to learn about the layout and instrumentation in an operating theatre.

Subjects discussed included anaesthetic equipment and instrumentation,

Surgical instruments, diathermy and patient care.

A wide range of questions from the group was answered.

We then heard an introduction to abdominal surgery as a slide presentation followed by a video of a major abdominal operation provided by Wiley-Blackwell press and recorded at Medway Maritime Hospital where many Christchurch graduates work.

The hospitality from Christchurch was superb from the lecturer to Welcome desk staff and the Group extended warm thanks for an interesting morning.



Anaesthetic Equipment.



Alan Mount demonstrating Intubation.



Training Ward.



Peter Webb outlining the surgery he performed.