

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21 February 2019 at 6.30pm at the Waterfront and Solent Surgery

Present: Colin Bell (Chair), Alan Johnston (Vice Chair), Gill Johnston (Treasurer), Pauline McMahon, June Matthews, Pam Sexton, Sandra Wilkinson and Jill Tomlin (Secretary)

Apologies from Polly Read

In Attendance: Dr Simon Sherwin

Minutes of Previous Meeting.

The Minutes of the last meeting on 17 January 2019 were agreed and signed by the Chair.

Matters Arising

Flu Clinic 2019. The Chair reported that he had provisionally booked the Parish Hall for the Flu Clinic on Saturday 5 and 12 October 2019, the exact date depending on the vaccine availability.

Blood Pressure Machine. Sarah Trompetas was checking prices and suitability for a BP machine in the surgery reception area which could be funded by the PPG. So far, it appeared it would cost about £8,000 which would be too expensive for the PPG to fund.

PPG Awareness/Survey

Sarah Trompetas was currently devising appropriate survey questions which it was planned would be used as an icebreaker for introducing patients to the PPG and inviting any input to activities.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported income of £0.08 interest and no expenditure in the last month, leaving a total balance of £1,926.96 available.

Practice News and Developments

Dr Sherwin reported that Sally and Michelle from the Admin Team had both left and a recruitment exercise had since taken place. Potential new staff had been identified and would hopefully start soon. However, they would be under training, resulting in more pressure for existing staff. Dr Sherwin hoped that patients would be understanding with this situation. The new telephone system was working well for patients ringing the surgery but there were still a few hiccups for doctors and staff at present. There was still considerable pressure on appointments due to doctors' holidays. However, the 2 new doctors Vicky Blyth and Johanna Parker had fitted in and were working well.

Locality News

Dr Sherwin had attended a Locality Meeting that afternoon for the 6 Waterside practices. An Engagement Meeting for PPGs was announced which would be held on Wednesday 6 March from 11.30am to 1.30pm at Applemore. All PPG members were invited to attend. It appeared that the future delivery of care would be very different with possibly Urgent Care being centralised within the next 18 months. This was Government policy and practices would have to engage with the various

policies or lose potentially large amounts of current funding. Dr Sherwin expressed the opinion that practices were not being listened to at the moment on these major policy changes.

Spring Open Meeting

The Chair had booked the Parish Hall for Thursday 30 May 2019 for the Spring Open meeting with a possible alternative of Thursday 16 May. He was concerned however that the main speaker so far identified, Amanda Glenn from the CCG, was not responding to his emails and he had no phone number for her. Dr Sherwin emailed her at this point in the meeting to encourage her participation and urgent response to Colin Bell so that arrangements could be finalised.

Ideas for Further Open Meetings

For the AGM on 17 October, it was agreed that the participation of some of the doctors would be welcomed, especially by patients. Their talk could cover "Where General Practice is Going" and a Q and A session with patients. The practice Advanced Nurse Practitioner, Claire Sweetman, could also be invited to speak on her role. For other future meetings, June Matthews suggested an overview of the work of the CCG and how practices are funded which could be useful and interesting.

Matters Raised by Committee Members

The Chair asked Dr Sherwin about current shortages of some drugs. The main reasons were not only uncertainty about Brexit but supply chain and stockpiling problems.

Date of Next Meeting

The next Committee meeting would be held on Thursday 21 March 2019 at 6.30pm

The meeting closed at 7.35pm.

Jill Tomlin

Secretary

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