

MINUTES OF VIRTUAL MEETING HELD 12th April 2021

1.	ATTENDANCE		
	Apologies: Gordon Lovell		
	Present: Steve Bates; Christine Cartwright; Elspeth Woods; Bruce Battams; Jan Lloyd; Jane Hanlon; Mark Pitman; John Neale; Sarah Setterfield; Fay Read; Bob and Vanda Gould; Mark Wilson; Dr Muhsin; Clive Robinson; Jennifer Harris; Shona Manson; Angela Lovell		
2.	Minutes from March 2021 adopted		
3.	GP Report – Dr Muhsin gave an update on the vaccination position. All is going well and good take up still on AZ vaccine. The practice is working on cohorts 1-9 (50+ years and those under 50 who have an underlying medical condition, carer status, healthcare worker, etc). The practice has started with 2 nd vaccinations. Further deliveries of both AZ and Pfizer are arriving soon. Jane gave a further update to confirm that the effort to make sure that every dose is being used is tremendous and no doses have been wasted. Dr Muhsin confirmed that there is no further info about premises – but it continues to tick along in the background. The developer has produced a further PID which is hoped will be presented at the CCG meeting in	ACTIONS	
4.	May. Speaker: Katie Dean – The Parks Trust Events	ACTION	
	Jan welcomed Katie as Steve was delayed, Katie gave a most informative talk on what is coming on stream as the parks re-open. A range of walks, including Women's Walks, Woof Walks, Discovery Strolls and Litter picks proving very popular. Also a range of workshops on a range of wildlife and bush craft skills. Booking is online but telephone calls are accepted if people not online. Katie mentioned the Community Trip Boat from MK and Bedford Waterways. (John N is also involved with the Electra project and he confirmed that they are hoping that trips start in July all being well) John suggested things such as hedge laying; charcoal making and tree		



	carving as potential activities for the Parks Trust. Katie mentioned that they are always on the lookout for volunteers and should be opportunities soon. Shona asked if we could signpost people on the Newsletter to the phone number for people without regular online access? Katie handled the questions well and Steve thanked Katie for her time for a most informative talk.	
5.	 a) Cancer and Beyond at Whaddon – next meeting is on Thursday evening at 6pm and an invitation has been extended to staff of Red House and our PPG for this meeting. It is not especially cancer focused as the guest speaker is Carmen Kane (therapist) who is going to speak about anxiety, and well-being. Many people are struggling and this is a good opportunity to listen to some good advice about how to cope. Elspeth has already sent round the invitation and the email is on there to express interest. b) BLMK CCG is now up and running – Jane pleased that Janine Welham has retained her job and will be responsible for MK so we should continue to be well looked after. 	ACTION
6.	 Surgery General Update a) New member of Crown – Deimante Sidlauskaite, Health and Wellbeing coach. Concentrating on young people's mental health and deprivation issues particularly across Bletchley started today. This is a joint position between CROWN and the SW Network. b) New Bus issues – you have to now book online or ring to book your seat. Jan has kindly provided the link about changes to bus routes. It is not all routes – mainly rural routes. If we have any further questions after reading the guidance then we can ask Jan at the next meeting. 	https://ridewithvia.com/ mk-connect/
7.	Speakers Jan gave her update on the speaker list. As it stands at the moment, May is the AGM so no speaker. In June we have Sam Marshall who is a Dementia Support worker and will probably bring	ACTION



a colleague (Ryan Jones). July we do not need a speaker and on the question of whether August/September was best given the holidays, after a brief discussion it was felt that a speaker in August was probably a better option given that many PPG members prefer to take holidays after the schools go back. Jan reminded us that any suggestions would be welcomed by her – she still has the Hub in mind as restrictions ease and also suggested that perhaps some of our PPG members could speak on their other interests. All suggestions directly to Jan.

8. **AOB**

Newsletter – Shona confirmed she has enough content for the next newsletter which is covid vaccination focused. She had hoped to get it out by Easter but due to other commitments that hasn't happened. She will endeavour to get it to the surgery for GP approval as soon as possible.

Quiz – Same as above – Bob has very kindly sent over a Quiz and Shona and Bob will conspire (sorry consult) to get it sorted and into our calendars.

Hidden Heroes – Jane mentioned that she had nominated 3 groups for Hidden Hero awards, all of whom have won awards. The presentation ceremony is scheduled for a date in April but it might be a rush job at the last minute so hopefully as many people as possible will be able to attend.

Physiotherapy – Christine had raised a point mentioned at the last meeting by Belinda about the Connect contract for MK physio services coming up for renewal in March 22. (This is separate to the CROWN PCN First Contact Physio services that employ Raj, Belinda and Jason). Jane confirmed provision of service will have to go out to tender and Connect may or may not reapply.

Covid Tests – Jennifer informed us that we can now collect 2 x boxes of Covid tests per week so we can test at home. She had collected packs directly from MK Library and others confirmed that they can also be collected from pharmacies. They are free and can be collected on behalf of



neighbours and other family members at the same time.

Bob asked if Jane had any information about cancellation of any Covid vaccination appointments due to lack of supply. Jane had heard that some second appointments for the hospital had been cancelled as that site has now closed and appointments rescheduled at other sites at Luton or Dunstable.

NAPP – Steve reminded everyone that the NAPP bulletins circulated regularly are well worth a read as they have a lot of very useful information.

AGM

The AGM will be held adjacent to the next meeting on 10th May. As you are aware the current office holders will be required to vacate office at the start of the AGM to allow nominations for each office for the next 12 months.

In past meetings, the office holders have been asked on the evening of the AGM if they wish to stand again and others in attendance may nominate themselves or others as they see fit.

As we are meeting remotely it is only fair to give those who may have attended our pre-covid meetings the opportunity to participate. Therefore if anyone outside the virtual meeting group wishes to make a nomination please would you email the details to redhouseppg@gmail.com before 5th May 2021.

Next meeting Including AGM – Monday 10th May 2021 @ 5.45pm

Core Meetings Wednesday @ 10.30am	PPG Virtual Meetings Monday 5.45pm	AGM
8th January 21	11th January 21	
3 rd February 21	8 th February 21	
3 rd March 21	8 th March 2021	
7 th April 21	12 th April 21	



5 th May 21	10 th May 21	To be held adjacent to this meeting
2 nd June 21	7 th June 21	
7 th July 21	12 th July 21	
4 th August 21	9 th August 21	
1 st September 21	6 th September 21	
6 th October 21	11 th October 21	
3 rd November 21	8 th November 21	
8th December 21	13 December 21	

Elspeth Woods

Secretary to Red House PPG