

MINUTES OF VIRTUAL MEETING HELD 7th June 2021.

1.	Apologies: Judith Westall, Bruce Battens, Shona Manson Present: Steve Bates, Elspeth Woods, Christine Cartwright, Jan Lloyd, Mark Pitman, Clive Robinson, Bob & Vanda Gould, Mark Wilson, John Neale, Jennifer Harris Fay Read, Sarah Setterfield, Gordon & Angela Lovell, Wendy Sale, Janer Hanlon, Dr Nigel Bunting			
2.	Minutes from May 2021 adopted after discussion over future speakers. AGM minute to be circulated separately.			
3.	Matters arising	ACTIONS		
	None			
4.	GP Report & Surgery Update	ACTION		
	Dr Bunting gave the GP update and confirmed that the Delta variant was on the rise across MK, but the hospital coping at the present time. Evidence suggests that having had 1 x jab offers some protection while 2 x jabs offers considerably more protection.			
	Vaccinations are going well and pushing on to the under thirties and giving second jabs earlier than the initial 12 weeks.			
	Surgery matters:- Cautious re-opening of other areas of the surgery. The rooms upstairs and downstairs are gradually being brought back into use, while a "hot room" is kept available for potential Covid patients.			
	Face to Face appointments are available albeit limited in numbers still. The triage system is still going to be used going forward and it is hoped that if a F2F appointment is needed it will be with the GP/clinician who did the initial triage call, giving a better experience for the patient.			
	There is a new telephone system being installed next week – it is the same system largely but with added features that indicate a caller's place in the queue so a decision can be made as to whether to wait or ring back. The system is cloud-based and can accommodate up to			



	50 people in the queue. Jane asked for people to be patient as reception staff get used to it and the GPs become familiar with the functionality to transfer a caller to the reception, even when they are working remotely. Jane confirmed some staff changes – Rose has left the practice and Dr Fatima (sorry didn't catch surname) is joining the practice in August as a p/t salaried GP.	
5.	Speakers & Future Speakers Sam Marshall and Ryan Jones were our guest speakers and gave a really interesting presentation about Dementia in the wider sense. There is much we don't know about this disease, and Sam and Ryan debunked many of the myths about Alzheimer's and Dementia. There are always volunteering opportunities to get involved in making companion calls and helping with other activities. Steve offered a vote of thanks to both Sam and Ryan for giving up their time and for such an interesting and valuable presentation.	www.alzheimers.org.uk/get-involved/volunteering
	Jan confirmed that our next speaker was booked for August – Ethan Hopkinson from Camphill Trust October/November are still to be confirmed, but several possibilities in the pipeline - Shona is to send the details to Jan of her contact at MK Community First Responder and there is the possibility of inviting Diamante – new Crown staff member to a future meeting.	Any suggestions for future speakers please email directly to Jan Lloyd
6.	AOB Steve brought up the NHS Data Gathering programme – opt out has to be submitted by 23 June, He has emailed the wider PPG membership with a link to the website and suggested that people carefully read the detail and make up their own minds. Mark Pitman made the point that although there are reservations, this data feeds much needed research in new medicines and treatments that are potentially life changing – so there is much to consider.	
	Jane mentioned the tea party to be held in the	



afternoon on Wednesday 9th to be held at Water					
Eaton, it is a thank you for all PPG volunteers and					
those who volunteer in the clinic who are not PPG					
members. This will include Whaddon Walkers					
who run the car park volunteer shifts and Cobbs					
Garden volunteers who assist at their own GP					
surgery with the vaccination programme. All are					
welcome form 2pm – 4pm					

- John Neale's offer to host a garden party once Covid restrictions ease is deferred till July when there may be more information (and better weather)
- PPG Awareness week defer until future clearer and in the meantime Jane has previously suggested that an article for NAPP by Steve would be a good way to showcase the efforts of this PPG.

Next meeting - Monday 12th July 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



- 1. GP's Report
 - a. Covid update Future Covid Vaccine Clinics
- 2. Speaker(s) Sam Marshall, Dementia Support Worker. May be accompanied by a colleague Ryan Jones.
- 3. Future Speakers
- 4. Surgery Update Jane
- 5. A.O.B. a. Social gathering/Garden Party
 - b. PPG Awareness Week