



Minutes of PPG meeting held on Monday, 9th July, 2018

Prior to the meeting we were given the opportunity of meeting Lee Gillam who started working at the surgery as a Paramedic Practitioner the previous week. Lee has previously worked in a variety of posts which includes air ambulance paramedic and many senior positions in the paramedic field. His contract is for 3 months initially to see how this new position works out. He will see patients, triage and also undertake home visits.

Agenda Item 1: Present

Steve Bates (Chair), Mary Sadler, Peter Sadler, Bruce Battams, John West, Mark Pitman, Jill Hussein, Clive Robinson, Gillian Holloway, Lee Gillam, Gordon Lovell, Jan Lloyd, Fay Read, John Neale, Vanda Gould, Bob Gould, Toni Rampello, Jane Hanlon (Practice Manager), Dr Nigel Bunting (GP) and Angela Lovell (PPG Secretary).

Agenda Item 2: Apologies

Nigel Vaughan, Judith Westell, Christine Cartwright, Sheila Dale and Michael Whitehand.

Agenda Item 3: Minutes of the June meeting

The first draft of the July minutes were circulated prior to the meeting but due to holidays a number of amendments in 'Update from the surgery' were not included. However, Steve read these out to those present. A further draft will be circulated prior to the August meeting.

3a Matters arising

Horticulture: Steve asked us to please water the plants in the raised flower beds and in front of the shrubs whenever visiting the surgery if we are able to. The watering can may be obtained from Reception. This is important during the hot weather. He thanked those who are doing this already. Angela mentioned that the two shrubs in front of the building continue to look very unhealthy and it was agreed to replace them in the Autumn.

Assistant Secretary post: Steve mentioned that to date this post has not yet been filled and asked those present to consider applying for it. If interested, please contact Steve.

Data Policy: We were informed by Steve that this is taking a little longer than expected but work is in progress. A meeting will be arranged with him, Jane, Gillian, Mark and Angela.

Bletchley Memorial on 11th November: There was an approach from Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Council relating to their desire to promote Bletchley and Fenny in a more positive community and culturally cohesive way. One thing they wish to do is increase the community representation at the Bletchley Memorial on 11th November. Steve asked those present if they think this is appropriate and do we wish to take part? This was discussed and it was decided that several PPG members would take part and we would lay a wreath from the PPG.

Future Speakers: Jan updated us regarding future speakers.

- ❖ August: Teresa Wood, Community Paediatric Matron.
- ❖ September or October: Lee Gillam, Paramedic Practitioner, Red House Surgery (to be confirmed).
- ❖ November: Professor Joe Harrison, Chief Executive, Milton Keynes University Hospital.
- ❖ January 2020: Hopefully a nurse from the Stroke Unit.

Agenda Item 4: Feedback from PPG Networking Meeting

Steve informed us of the content of this meeting which was organised and chaired by Healthwatch. Items discussed were GP Practice learning times, every GP Practice having a PPG, Healthwatch's connection with the CCG. There was lengthy discussion on CCG planning for various procurements. The meeting closed with the Chair discussing how the PPG members should be represented at these meetings.

Agenda Item 5: Update from Surgery

Jane and Dr Bunting gave us an update relating to the surgery:-

- ❖ It is expected that the surgery will have a GP trainee (qualified doctor) spending one year of his/her 3 years GP training at Red House Surgery. The first trainee will be starting at the beginning of August. The benefits of having a GP trainee were discussed. A room has been refurbished for the GP trainee.
- ❖ A big thank you was extended to Clive, John and Bruce who filled in the holes in the car park and continue to undertake a variety of jobs for the surgery.
- ❖ Whaddon Surgery has set up a running group that meet on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 at the practice. Anyone interested can join them.
- ❖ Wednesday evening's choir is expected to be very quiet this week due to the England/Croatia football match being scheduled on TV at the same time.
- ❖ MKGP (the federation) have congratulated the surgery on organizing a successful singing group. Whaddon are thinking of doing the same.
- ❖ Active Insights – Following Bruce's comments regarding monitoring equipment for research which could possibly be of help to both patients and the Practice, Jane informed the meeting that the Practice has been in contact with Activinsights to show an interest in assisting them with their trials. More information to follow as things develop.

- ❖ Jane mentioned that Vanda has run out of wool. If anyone has any spare wool please bring it to the surgery.
- ❖ Jane asked if any of our PPG members still have one of the magnetic PPG badges. If so, please return to Jane.

Agenda Item 6: Any Other Business

(a) Jane mentioned that she had been speaking to a manager of the health department at Woodhill Prison and she asked if we would be interested in a visit to Woodhill Prison or the health department of the prison if this can be organised. Several of those present expressed their interest.

(b) Steve contacted Walnut Tree Surgery for information on how they use Facebook for PPG purposes. As they didn't get back to him this is not being taken forward for our use.

(c) A question was asked as to whether on-line services are going to be expanded. It was noted that at present patients can access prescriptions, appointments, summary care record which includes sensitivities, detailed coded record. What will be available in the future remains to be seen.

(d) PPG banner. It was agreed that our PPG banner can be displayed in the surgery providing it is in a safe position which will avoid accidents. Clive agreed to erect this and discuss the best places with Jane.

Agenda Item 7: Dates of next meetings

Core Group - Wednesday, 1st August at 12.30 pm
PPG meeting - Tuesday, 7th August 2018 at 6.15 pm