

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 9th September 2024

1.	ATTENDANCE Apologies: Steve Bates, Christine Cartright, Sheila Dale, Bob & Vanda Gould, Jacqui Coleman, Judith Weston, Mary Tait, Liz Mole, Tania Pal, Anne Minihan, Jan Lloyd, Clive Robinson, Stuart Westley Present: Mark Pitman, Elspeth Woods, Jane Hanlon, Shona Manson, Sarah Setterfield, Sandra Whitefoot, Gordon & Angela Lovell, John Neale, Fay Read, Bruce Battams, Hilary King, Dr Staten	
2.	Minutes for August 2024 approved.	
3.	<p>Speaker: Sue Payne from MK branch of The Soroptimist International gave an interesting talk about “Doing best for Women”. The group in MK has been going for 10 years and currently has 20 members of varying ages. They meet monthly at the Comms Room in Morrisons Supermarket in Westcroft on Tuesday evenings.</p> <p>They support charities in MK that work with and support women. Orange Café which meets monthly to raise awareness of domestic violence; MK ACT; YMCA and UNITY projects to get women back to work. A recent initiative is focused on supporting the Ukraine Women’s Group.</p> <p>They have a number of social and fundraising events. Their next afternoon tea event is scheduled for December 24, a music event at the Mead Centre in Newport Pagnell (details to be provided).</p> <p>Mark thanked Sue for her time and energy in telling us about the work of the Soroptimists and offered a small token of our appreciation.</p>	
4.	Surgery Update: Dr Staten and Jane provided an update on surgery business, Dr Adio has started and settling in well, providing another day’s worth of GP time for the practice. No further progress on premises at the moment. Gearing up for Flu clinics and Covid booster clinics..	
	PPG UPDATES	ACTIONS
5.	➤ <u>Patient survey</u> going well – thanks to Anne and Sarah for their sterling efforts to get it ship shape and ready for issue, also to Jane for having printed copies available for distribution.	<p>Survey QR code on Facebook page and on posters. Hard copies; in newsletter</p> <p>PPG Awareness / Flu clinic activity to include promoting the survey</p> <p>Anne to collate data for November meeting</p>

6.	<p><u>Newsletter</u> has now been sent to printers. Mark thanked Shona and Jane for their combined effort in getting this large edition ready. It is hoped that the printed copies will be ready for PPG Awareness event.</p>	
7.	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Suggested programme of visits for PPG next year, the pathology lab, crematorium (and perhaps something more active and cheerier too 😊) ➤ Tombola items required ➤ A lovely email from Steve thanking the PPG for his gift. <p><i>"I had planned to attend and give my very grateful and heartfelt thanks for the gift of wine presented to me at John's Garden Party. I wanted to do it at the meeting so that my thanks would be recorded in the Minutes and members would be aware of how much I appreciated the kind thoughts and generosity. The wine was a sort that had been kindly made available by the surgery at the AGM in May and I had mentioned to Jane how much I liked it. I have expressed my appreciation to her for remembering my comments and suggesting the gift. Please pass my thoughts and appreciation to members at the meeting."</i></p> <p>Steve</p>	<p>Discussion next time to include combining speaker/visit programmes</p> <p>Elsbeth to email re request for tombola items and help on the stall.</p>
8.	<p>Reflections from Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ We need to think about ways to make better use of the online group. Elspeth made the point we need to link this with survey outcomes before we can realistically move on this. We also need to carry out a data cleansing exercise to make sure that those on the list are still current and consenting ➤ Some review of the membership pack is underway and we can take this forward in combination with work on the online group. 	<p>To be carried forward for future meeting of core group to agree a strategy</p>
	<p>Next PPG meeting – Monday 14th October 24 @ 6.15pm for 6.30pm start</p>	

Elsbeth Woods

Secretary to Red House PPG

Future PPG Dates for 2024 (2nd Monday of each month)

8th January, 2024	12th February	11th March	8th April
13th May	10th June	8th July	12th August
9th September	14 th October	11 th November	9 th December