

Minutes of the PPG meeting held on Wednesday 24th April 2019

at Orchard Medical Practice 1.30-2.30pm

Present

Laurence (Chair), Gloria, Val, John P, Marion T, Michael H, Phil S
Rebecca (Practice Manager), Sue H (Minutes Secretary), Gill Kaylor (practice pharmacist)

Apologies

Ann, Ann S, Jo M, Sue O, E. Roughton

1. Opening Remarks and Introductions

Laurence welcomed us and opened the meeting at 1.30pm.

2. Appoint a Minute Secretary

Sue H had offered to take on the role of secretary at the meetings that she attends.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting.

These were agreed by all, although Phil S pointed out he did attend the last meeting.

4. Matters arising not on the agenda.

The parking problems were raised again by Michael which Rebecca replied that it was unfortunate the practice had grown in size and the pharmacy too. The practice paid for spaces for staff in the car park over the road to free up space for patients. It was suggested for patients to use public transport or use the pay and display at the front of the hospital.

Gloria has moved the fund raising Coffee Morning to July.

5. Appointing a new Chair.

There had been one person who had put himself forward to be Chair from May, it is hoped he will attend the meeting next month to make this official.

6. Mansfield Voluntary Action.

Lesley Watkins (Mans CVS) is working with communities in the area for information on local PPG's. She suggested that we plan in advance for Health Awareness Issue Events and then if needed they could come to help with these in various ways.

Facebook PPG's were a suggestion along with our e-mail PPG members.

Lesley informed us that in one GP's surgery they have a quieter area for Dementia patients.

7. Practice Managers Report

The practice is still advertising for a salaried GP. A Practice Nurse position is also still available. A retired nurse will be helping the practice out as and when needed in the short term until the position is filled.

Rebecca went through some of the new changes with regard to the new GP Contract which came out in April 19. Rebecca explained about practices working within Networks throughout the country and that we were lucky enough to already have an established group from when the practice worked in federations. Our Network of practices were called Mansfield North and included the following practices, Sandy Lane, Meden Medical Services, Riverbank Surgery, Pleasley Surgery, St Peters Medical, Oakwood Surgery. Other practices throughout Mansfield would be Mansfield South. Each Network would consist of around 56,000 patients. The network has to be able to deliver the Extended Access service (Monday –Friday until 8 pm and Saturday morning until 12) 7 days a week and serve the 56,000 patient population. Rebecca reported that we are again lucky that our network already was doing this, Orchard just serving its own approx. 20,000 patient list size. For 2019 this was the only obligation stipulated as a locality group which was already being achieved. Any new services over and above delivering core services would be paid in to the network and distributed according to list size.

Other areas of the contract included in 2020, to have structured medication reviews, enhanced health in care homes, anticipatory care, supporting early cancer diagnosis, & in 2021 & CVD (cardiovascular disease) prevention and diagnosis.

There were other technology areas in the contract around NHS 111 having 1 appointment/day per 3,000 patients set aside for NHS 111 to book in to. For patients to have access to their full record on line by April 2020 and for 25% of appointments to be available for on line booking by July 2019.

The practice were looking in to the above and how it could be implemented provided we have the tools & manpower to commence this

Money for extended hours for the Mansfield North Practices will go into a “pot” to be shared out. Registration for this had to be submitted by 15th May. It has still to be sorted out as regards how much each practice will get but probably money per patient for each practice.

NHS 111 will refer patients to each practice and 1 appointment per day for each 1000 patients is suggested up to 6 max. If not used after a certain time limit then these appointments can be re allocated.

A Clinical Pharmacist would also be funded across the practices with the new monies.

Video consultations by April 2021 were also in the new GP contract but as yet no infrastructure to enable this.

For the Mansfield North Group meetings Dr Butt will be Chair and Dr Mills will be V/Chair.

The group were supportive of the initial talk regarding the GP contract and working within networks.

8. Plans for 2019.

These were to be decided at the next meeting.

Laurence thanked all those present.

The meeting closed at 2.35pm.

Date of the next meeting Wednesday 15th May 2019 1.30 Orchard Meeting Room