

Willington Medical Practice Patient Participation Group (PPG)

Thursday 19th November 2015

Present: Sally Lovatt (vice chair and minutes), Christine Bould, Beverley Bowman, Joan Burton, Joyce Hargreaves, Pat Harvey, Louise Scheck, Val Shelton

Apologies: Colleen March, Janice Heier, Margaret Hooley, Michael Pritchard (who could not get into surgery), Chris Thorne, Ann Wood

Matters arising from minutes of the previous meeting:

Strictly No Falling

A letter has been received from Lisa Dengate together with an invoice for £76.51 for suitable weights for use in classes. The weights are stored in Room 19, marked as belonging to PPG, and receptionists have a key to the cupboard should other practitioners need access to them.

Dementia Friendly GP Surgeries – Pilot

A training session is planned for January QUEST session.

Mary's Tree

The tree has been purchased and arrangements will be made to contact David Ross and to organise digging a hole. Suggestion was made to contact the Burton Mail. (SL & CB)

Antibiotics in the community

CB asked why i.v. Antibiotics are not administered in the community rather than hospital but that would be a GP question for the next meeting

Self – Care Week

The plan was to promote the self-care week, PPG and fund raising at a flu clinic but the CQC visit eclipsed all other work and SL apologised and the plan is to meet afresh in January and make new plans.

Treasurers Report

From JH

Finances are Current A/C £245.48, Reserve Account £3132.03 and Petty Cash £21.86. Outstanding bill for tree (£21.47), see below, and weights (£76.51) as above.

Other Business

CQC Inspection

LS updated on the recent CQC visit. There were four inspectors with a timetable that included interviews with staff, GPs, Practice Manager, PPG and patients. One member of the team spent the day with LS, one member spent the day with clinical staff. The lay member (expert patient) spent time in reception talking to patients and checking posters and information and with PPG. The feedback was good and the team were impressed with the caring aspect of the surgery. LS commented that the surgery was open about weaknesses and the team were found to be supportive rather than trying to 'catch anyone out'.

Three members of PPG were interviewed and a report of this is attached.

Surgery Update

LS updated the group on the recent adverts for new GPs. Unfortunately, in spite of a lot of interest; no one has accepted a position. This is due to the huge number of available jobs with more attractive financial incentives. The result is that the surgery is 5 GP sessions short until the end of the year and this will be increased when Dr Khan finishes at Christmas. Dr Rajendren and Dr Shepherd have agreed to help on a temporary basis. There is the possibility of a GP starting in April. The building is the cause of financial difficulties, as income is required to balance outgoings. A new Pilate's class has started and there is possibility of a personal trainer taking some space.

Fundraising

"Lucky Squares" fundraising is a possibility at a flu clinic. Date to be confirmed. Volunteers to help out please. LS to confirm date please. (LS)

Mince Pies

Delicious mince pies were enjoyed at the meeting, courtesy of Christine and chocolates from Beverley. At the next meeting we will have our annual 'fuddle'.

Next meeting and 'Fuddle'

Thursday 21st January 2016 at 7pm at Willington Surgery

Agenda Items to MH please