

Patient Participation Group

Minutes of the Meeting Held at Whitegate Drive on November 27th 2018.

Present:- John Butler, Paula Duncan, Luan Stewart, Susan Strattan, Adam Gee

Apologies:- Richard Watkinson, Ann Allen, George Goldthorp

There were no Minutes from the last meeting, as it was a presentation of the new build in Adelaide Street.

John Butler raised concerns about repeat prescriptions, which were dealt with by L.S. and S.S.

L.S. gave a practice update.

The surgery has been advised that there are no issues at present with the availability of drugs due to Brexit, and at the current time, none are anticipated.

The Commrades Club link inside the new build will go ahead, so L.S. asked for members to contact her if they have any memorabilia which could be used. Pictures of the Club and/or of the building when it was a High School would be appreciated.

The plans were sent back to the Council who want further alterations:-

The colour of the outer bricks has to be red

The shape of the roofing has to resemble that of the former club

A large corner window has to be incorporated on the top floor in the corner facing the Tower.

The person in charge of the plans at the Council is on holiday until February 2019, so the start of the build has been put back from June 2019 to September 2019,

Kentmere Drive is expected to expand its current building, with the increase in housing on and around Mereside. The site is expected to remain where it is currently located, and the expansion will be upwards.

There are no changes in the merger plans with South King Street.

There are currently several staff changes, with some staff having left and others joined. The expansions mean that adverts for new staff have been listed. Adam was congratulated on his promotion to Communications Lead.

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) are due to visit the surgeries within the next 6 months, as they are working in Blackpool again. The surgeries were last inspected in 2015, and this visit there should be a 2 week notice period.

The doctors have suggested January 9th 2019 at 1.00pm for an Afternoon Tea at Dalhias Kitchen, where last year the PPG and the Staff of both surgeries enjoyed themselves. Please contact Luan if you are able to come along so that tables can be booked in advance.

P.D. gave an interesting short talk about her journey with Diabetes, and her willingness to talk to groups or individuals about self care, self management, and to encourage in any way possible. The virtual PPG responded with an invitation, and congratulations to P.D. passed on via Adam on the computer.

The meeting ended at 7.15pm.

Date of next meeting:= January 29th @ 6.pm in Meeting Room 4, Whitegate Drive Medical Center.