

Minutes of ASK PPG Meeting Held 14 March 2017 at Whitegate Medical Centre Room 1

Members Present: Susan Strattan(SS)/Jo Booth(JB)/Viv Critchley(VC)/Sue Ransome(SR)/Ann Allen(AA)/John Butler(JCB)/Gavin Quick(GQ)/Mike Wain(MW)

Apologies Received: Richard Watkinson(RW)/George Goldthorp(GG)

Chairs Remarks: AA opened the meeting by thanking everyone for coming and wanted to comment on the fact that she had been reading plenty of criticisms of hospitals and G.P. Surgeries of late but her own experience and belief was that if it was urgent the hospital or doctor will see you and treat you. We see so many negative comments and no one seems to mention the good ones and she feels this should change.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: These were agreed (VC proposing, SR seconding).

Matters Arising: MW advised the person who the practice had engaged to help with funding for the new building had been off sick (original hope had been for 66%-100% of funds and was now set to be 20-30%). A meeting with CCG to discuss the reduced funding had been requested, but not yet taken place, the person the practice has taken on to help with funding was due to return to work soon, and it was hoped the requested meeting would also take place soon. MW advised the original intention was for the NHS to have access to the building and not pay rent but for the surgery to be able to have access to unused space and take on extra responsibilities.

MW also advised that the Comrades Club had been purchased by a holding company equally owned by South King St and Adelaide St surgeries.

Practice Update: MW advised interviews for his replacement (he is leaving the practice for one in Preston, and we all wish him well in his new job) would be taking place on Mar 24 and 25 at Kentmere Drive. The PPG is seen as integral to the practice and members could attend the first part of the interviewing process (on Fri Mar 24) if they wanted.

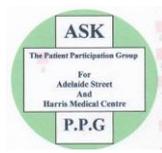
MW also advised that Dr Gouges had left the surgery (eventually to move to Australia) and Kay Beaumont had moved to a surgery in Clevelys (it was a lot closer to where she lived). The surgery were looking for replacements.

Dr Cruz's wife was now working as a locum on a part time basis for the practice we were told but Dr Mistry who has been working some time as a locum is due to go on maternity leave.

ASK Plan 2017 – It was agreed to put this item on hold because RW was unable to attend this particular meeting and he was the lead person for this topic.

PPGN Network Update: This too was put on hold because RW is the lead person for this topic.

Extensive Care: JCB advised he had chosen as one to use the system and was having problems with it. In January he had unfortunately damaged his tendons and was not happy with the level of care he had received (lack of physiotherapy and not being seen by the right people etc). He had not been able to come off extensive care until he has been signed off from his current problems. VC advised it has been a big help for her and her husband AA advised the Rapid Response Team (RRT) had been very good for husband in the last year.



AOB: A request was put in to update the website. A presentation of a model of the Marton Windmill was then made to MW as a thank you for all his work and help to the PPG.

Date of Next Meeting: Set at April 25 (Whitegate M.C. Room 1 at 6 p.m.) so we could squeeze in another one prior to MW's departure.