

Newbold Surgery Patients Participation Group
Minutes of the Meeting Thursday 16th February 2017

PERSONS PRESENT

Dr M A Bradley, Dr A Azhari, Rachael Carrington, Helen Annett, Sue Jenkinson, Peter Bestwick , Kathryn Evans, David Jackman, Trudy Allen, Sheila Hand, Derek Hand, Allan Wood, Marilyn Hay, Robert Hay, Judy Shelbourne, Barry Shelbourne, Pauline Sissons.

APOLOGIES

Sue and Bob Goodwin.

WELCOME

Peter opened the Meeting with a warm welcome to all, as the Meeting and social event for Christmas had been postponed till this evening. He said that unfortunately Sue and Bob Goodwin could not join us and had sent their apologies. Sue had devised a short quiz on guessing parts of the body from cryptic clues and Rachael offered drinks around, fruit juice minerals etc. After a short while, Sue spoke about the CCG (Clinical Commissioning Group) needed to save 20 million pounds by April. She said there were many cutbacks, and wasn't sure if volunteers would get expenses and things due to be put in place at the CRH (Chesterfield Royal Hospital) may not happen due to NHS England needing to save money and awaiting decisions still. Also the Better Care Closer to Home project is now taking more time to consider a decision in view of consultation results. Peter thanked Dr Martin Bradley for coming to meetings and supporting us, he retires on 16th March, Dr Aran Day is taking Dr Bradley's place in the Surgery from 1st April 2017. Dr Bradley said he had enjoyed the Meetings and joining the members here. Sue told him the big lemon drizzle cake she had made was to say thank you from us all. It was good to see another of our doctors, Dr Azhari on the back row, supporting at the meeting and hopefully she will be joining us again.

PROPOSED NEW EXTENSION PLANS

Rachael spoke, saying she should have more news on the practice buildings development and architect at the next meeting in April. The surgery has to get planning through, needs to know more about suitability and plans. Robert Hay asked what stage the surgery was with this, Rachael said there was a Partners Meeting next week and they were meeting with a company who would project manage the build from start to finish dealing with all aspects. So next meeting Rachael would report back to the Group.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Sheila Hand asked if the sale of the second-hand books was still doing well despite the price increase last year, as she observed there seemed a lot of books on the shelves. Sue said yes it was, just sometimes a lot of books are brought in as donations and shelves were filling up fast, now it was well known.

Allan Wood asked if money could be considered from the PPG funds for buying more higher chairs with arms, as he noticed there was always a scramble for them by many people in the surgery waiting room and once one vacated, someone would move in immediately from the lower chairs with no arm support. Rachael said yes this will be considered but just needs to see if proposed plans to surgery buildings would affect the shape of waiting room and layout and decide if more of the similar chairs would fit in well.

Allan asked to make a mention of thanks, on behalf of us all that were there, to Sue for making the cake for the evening and taking time to fetch and prepare the lovely buffet. Also thanks to the Surgery for the donated liquid refreshments.

Then the quiz results were announced, Judy Shelbourne came first with 22/26 answers correct, well done Judy!

The Meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of next meeting has been arranged for Thursday 6th April 2017.

K Evans – 17-2-17