

Newbold Surgery Patient Group.

Minutes of the meeting 17th May 2018.

The meeting was opened by the Chairman, Peter Bestwick. Apologies were received from Bob and Sue Goodwin, Derek and Sheila Hand, Sue Webb.

Present were Rachael Carrington, Practice Manager, Dr Upendra Bhatia, Partner, Peter Bestwick, Sue Jenkinson, Kathryn Evans, Barrie and Judy Shelbourne, Robert and Marilyn Hay, Allan Wood, Pauline Sissons, David Jackman, Trudy Allen,

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

Peter welcomed Dr Bhatia who had come to talk about the new extension. He brought copies of the plans, showing the surgery as it is now and when the build is complete. He explained what would be relocated and where new rooms etc. would be. There were also architect's impressions of the finished building. Dr Bhatia spoke about the possibility of more doctors and/or specialist nurses, as new patients could come from the new local housing developments. The cost would be made up of approx. 66% from NHS England and 33% from the practice.

There will be the need to work around the existing building open as usual, and some work will be done when the surgery is closed. The pharmacy will move into the new build, giving more room and seating. No decision has been made about the existing pharmacy building. Expected new build completion is December.

There was a discussion about extending opening hours but nothing has yet been decided.

Kathryn and Rachael had done an update on the finances. Three home blood pressure monitors have been ordered and a Doppler machine for foot blood monitoring also.

The members discussed the purchase of another 24hr blood pressure monitor at a cost of £1200 and it was decided to go ahead with this.

The hedge at the front of the surgery is to be trimmed with a view to removing it, leaving the wall, which is currently difficult to see. This will make car park entry and exit easier with a view of the road.

Rachael explained to members that to comply with new regulations she would be sending members a letter to say that they have our details as group members and asking for consent.

The date of the next meeting is 19th July.