



Newbold Surgery Patient Participation Group



Minutes of the Meeting **Thursday 12th March 2026**

In Attendance:

Steve Willetts (Practice Manager)
Martin Cooper, Sue Deakin, Annie Wilkinson, Trudy Allen

Apologies received:

Marilyn Hay & Robert Hay, Ken Lawrie, Fran & David, Carrie Poole, Paul Hetherington
Lois Horvath

Members Update

To join is as easy just asking one of us – no fancy forms to fill out

Dunston Planning Permission Denied

The large housing development in Dunston, has had its planning application declined. Please continue to monitor local planning applications, which may impact local services.

Summary of Advanced Nurse Practitioner.

The Practice was able to access funding, which we utilised to improve capacity over the winter by securing the services of a locum Advanced Nurse Practitioner - Anu Pillai. This provided an additional 1449 appointments over the winter months. This was felt to be a great success and we would replicate, in future years subject to funding being made available.

Retirement of Dr Wendy Shaw

It was announced that Dr Wendy Shaw, is planning to retire this October after an incredible 30 years' service to the patients of Newbold.

PPG – Annual Review

We discussed the PPG Constitution, which was drafted in 2011 and discussed if that she reflected our aims. No changes were suggested to the constitution as it stands. We then discussed what PPG do.

- Improving Communication
- Influencing Services
- Supporting Community Engagement {Suggested using text message invites to increase PPG membership}
- Feeding into PCN wide PPG work {Need participation}
- What Patients Gain from joining
- What Practices Gain

We are seeking a
Chair and Secretary for our PPG. We agreed to review our PPG aims and structure at our meeting in March.



Date and Time of Next Meetings:

Thursday 14th May 2026 18:30. Guest Speaker - TBC