

Notes of the Annual General Meeting of the Crich Medical Practice Patients' Participation Group, 21 November 2018 3.00pm at Crich Surgery.

Present: Colin Hoskins (CH) in the chair, Peter Ireland (PI), David Ashton (DA), Laurence Robinson (LR), Susie Brighthouse (SuB), Simon Barraclough (SB).

Apologies: Frances James (FJ), Jenny Sanderson, Paul Devlin (PD), Kate Smith, Celia Winkworth, Susan Jelf.

1. Apologies

See above

2. Welcome to New Members/Guests

Claire Teeling of Grow Outside was welcomed to the meeting (see below).

3. Election of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

David Ashton was elected as Chair of the group, and it was agreed that a new position of Vice Chair be established, and the outgoing Interim Chair, Colin Hoskins, was elected to the position. The intention is the Chair and Vice Chair work closely together and share the workload.

Frances James was re-elected as Secretary. There was no nominee for the position of Treasurer.

CH stated that no-one should feel 'shy' about standing for one of these positions. No-one occupies them by right. We also need to consider succession in preparation for when a post-holder wishes to step down. **All**

CH then relinquished the chair to DA.

4. Notes of the meeting held on 8 August 2018

There was very positive feedback from the Derbyshire PPGs conference in Belper in September. It was good to see Healthwatch taking a proactive part in the event.

5. Presentation of Annual Accounts

DA reported that PPG and Dementia Group funds had now been separated into two bank accounts. DG income had exceeded £4,500 in the year. PPG balance is approximately £500.

6. Grow Outside (Claire Teeling).

Dr Teeling spoke to the group about Go Outside, a social enterprise that she runs with the aim of improving social cohesion and closer community. She said that she has done and is doing projects in South Derbyshire, but she lives in Fritchley and is interested in doing work **All**

closer to home. Where much of her work to date has been about bringing gardening to those who don't have gardens, most people round here do have them, so it is more likely that her local work will be about arranging sessions on horticulture and crafts. She can see benefits for all, but especially those who are socially isolated. The group thanked her, and will give consideration to how Claire's work overlaps with what we and the dementia group are trying to achieve.

7 & 8 Report of the youth sub- group (DA and SuB)

David and Susie had met with Christine Saunders of the Wirksworth group who are organising a big event with the Anthony Gell school to address the medical, especially mental health, needs of the pupils. The Wirksworth Group are keen on exploring our possible inclusion in that event and how we may help support any young people from our area who may need to explore further help. The meeting had also spawned ideas about how PPGs can be used as a focus to bring different 'groups' together, including those who do not necessarily see themselves as part of a group.

**DA
SuB**

The possibility (which has been discussed before) of using the flu clinics as a starting point was discussed. Tea and Cakes to break the ice? Simon raised no objection except to say that the throughput at the clinics is considerable, and really the practice would like car parking spaces vacated by users quickly.

9. PPG Recruitment to Village Newcomers

There were anecdotal reports of people from the new houses receiving a less than enthusiastic welcome when out and about in the village.

CH

The group decided to print and deliver a Christmas card to all of the occupied new houses, briefly introducing the PPG and welcoming newcomers to the village. DA reported that if we can do this by 9 December, they can be delivered with church material.

10. Developing an Introductory Pack for New Members

The group agreed to do this.

SuB

11. Organising a Demonstration of the Use of Defibrillators

The group felt there is a lot of misinformation about this, especially that the use of a defibrillator may do 'more harm than good'. We believe that this is not the case and no-one could ever be shocked who didn't need to be.

**SuB
CH**

With this in mind we will approach suitable experts with a view to their presence at the fetes next year to demonstrate defibrillators and CPR, using Little Annie. The East Midlands Ambulance Service will be the starting point.

Little Annie was not available for comment.

(Little Annie is a plastic head and diaphragm, used for demonstrations and practice).

12. Securing the Views of the Practice Staff on the Role of the PPG

With Simon's permission the group decided to devise a short PI questionnaire for the staff.

13. Report from the Dementia Group (Previously circulated)

The report was received and admiration was expressed by all for the work of the group.

PI mentioned the existence of an Aviva Community Fund as a possible source of funds.

14. Engaging with the New Senior Partner

After Dr Smallman's retirement, Dr Morland will be the Senior Partner, and will be invited to a future meeting (all doctors are welcome to all meetings but Dr Morland will receive a specific invitation). **FJ**

15. Should We Change Our Name to Reflect Our Geography?

After exploring several possibilities, the group settled on Crich Medical Practice Patients' Participation Group, still a mouthful, but less so than mentioning all the individual villages in the name.

16. Action Plan

There was discussion on progress, which is generally good. We will have an agenda item on social media at the next meeting, dependant on PD's attendance, as the group felt we have much to learn from Paul. **FJ PD**

17. Practice Report

1 February will be Dr Smallman's last day.

Two new salaried GPs have been recruited, Drs Jennifer Picard and Elise Brogan.

There is a new practice nurse, Rachel Parton, who is very experienced.

Flu season is going well, despite problems early on getting the vaccine. Simon briefly outlined the hoops he has to jump through to obtain supplies, and the extra problems this year.

The group thanked Simon for his report and his engagement with the group.

18. Developments in the NHS locally and Nationally

There was discussion about the financial recovery plan of the Derbyshire CCGs, and the difficulties of engaging with them. Healthwatch seems to have become rather more tenacious locally as a result of this matter.

19. Date of Next Meeting 20th March 3.00pm at the surgery.

As ever, time and location are flexible if we recruit anyone who cannot do afternoons.