

NOTES OF THE PPG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH 2018

Present:

Barry Rogers (chair), Kath Beer, Peter Bell, Hazel Bulcock, Kai Dada, Mary Jenkins, Bernard Morris, Mike Palin, Pamela Reader, Clare Shepherd, Kathleen Sutton, Dr Andrew Sumnall, Bridie Hayes (possible young person representative), Julia Jessop and Harrie Lerman (visitors from Silsden/Steeton PPG).

Apologies:

Judith Benjamin, Brian Harrison, Sally Harrison, Barbara Pavilionis, Antony Radley, Joanne Warden, Emma Taylor (will attend next meeting).

Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2017:

Accepted as correct. Thanks to Kath for the minutes.

Presentation of Annual Report 2017-18:

Copies were available at the meeting. Barry presented the report and highlighted a few topics:

- Craven Community Champion (CCC) awards (see minutes from January 2018 and below).
- Work done on social prescribing (Emma will talk about this at the next PPG meeting) which helped the surgery to be a runner up at the CCC awards.
- Dementia friends – work is ongoing to develop a dementia friendly community in Skipton. Sporting Memories is an activity which uses past sport events to enable people to engage with each other. The first meeting was exploratory and the next meeting is April 19th which will concentrate on memories from the Commonwealth Games in Manchester. Another idea is to look at the Tour de Yorkshire. The aim is to have a meeting the third Thursday each month. There is also a regular meeting for patients and carers at the Swadford Centre the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month (run by Fischer Street Medical Centre).
- Consultations – the Clinical Commissioning Group has consulted the PPG for views on several topics e.g. repeat medicine prescribing, gluten free foods.

The Annual Report was accepted as correct and will be downloaded onto the website.

Matters arising from the Report:

Nothing to discuss.

Practice Report:

Copies were available at the meeting. Dr Sumnall discussed the report:

- CCC Awards – the video which the surgery produced for this award has been downloaded on YouTube.
- Medical students – the medical students have enjoyed their training at the practice so we hope there will be more medical student presence in the future.
- Changes in General Practice nationwide – many practices are merging or working closer together to share resources. There will also be closer co-operation between primary and secondary care (e.g. Airedale Hospital is looking to work with primary care) and there will be more integration between health and social care. Dyneley House Surgery is planning to merge with other local practices; planning is at an early stage.

- Dr Sumnall thanked the PPG members for their work over the year.

Election of Officers for 2018-19:

- a. Chair – Barry will carry on with this post.
- b. Vice chair – this post is vacant and no expressions of interest have been made.
- c. Secretary – Mary will continue in this post.

To confirm Committee Members for 2018-19:

All the current committee members indicate that they will stay on the committee. Bridie was invited to attend the PPG as a young person representative.

Social Prescribing :

Emma will present this at the next PPG meeting.

Plans for 2018:

Support Groups:

- The dementia support group meets the 1st Thursday every month.
- The diabetes group will not meet in the same format this year. Much of the education is covered by other means at the Practice.
- An osteoporosis support group is planned. Pamela has discussed this with Antony and the plan is to take this forward with views from the public about organisation.
- Emma Taylor is keen to hear about any other ideas for support groups .
- If anyone wishes to volunteer to help/organise at any support group please let Barry or Mary know

There are 2 events in 2018:

- PPG Awareness Week is the 1st week of June. Local PPGs can use this week to promote the local work they do.
- NHS Day is 7th July, the 70th anniversary since the NHS was started. How can we celebrate this?
- Volunteers and ideas about both of these events please contact Barry or Mary.

Developing a reference group for the PPG:

This will be a group of patients for opinions about PPG topics via email. Judith, Barbara and Kath are leading on this.

Any Other Business:

Julia Jessop (from Silsden/Steeton PPG) asked for advice about how their PPG could better advertise themselves as they have a lack of volunteers on the committee. There was discussion about how we advertise the PPG, the success of the self care week, and we discussed the possibility of developing a Facebook group. The National PPG Facebook group (patient participation forum England) is going well with quite a lot of shared information and ideas.

