

# Allestree Patient Participation Group

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## Park Lane Surgery

### Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> AGM of the Patients Participation Group (PPG)

12<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 18:30

#### Present:-

Lesley Hutchinson

Alan Twaite

Caroline Fairhall

Anne Hallsworth

Sue Gaskin

Christine Hill

Darren Smith

Sylvia Soar

Kathy Hall

Gillian Reading

Vicki Price

Chris Fairhall

**Apologies: Maggie Higginbotham, Vic Bodsworth, Janet Dean, Neil Roberts, Ged Potter and Helena Church**

#### Minutes to Previous AGM

The Minutes of the last AGM were agreed – Proposed by Sylvia Soar and Seconded by Anne Hallsworth

#### Committee Member changes

Alan Twaite has resigned from the Chairman's position but will continue as a member of the group.

Sue Gaskin proposed a vote of thanks to Alan for his hard work over the past two years as Chair. This was passed unanimously

#### Group Activity Report

Alan Twaite's report had been circulated to members prior to the meeting and it was agreed to be a true reflection of the group's activities since the last AGM.

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## **Elections**

The Chairman's position is vacant at present. Lesley will take the meetings in future until the position has been filled.

The Secretary – Caroline Fairhall agreed to continue in the post. The proposal by Alan Twaite and seconded by Anne Hallsworth, was unanimously carried and endorsed with sincere thanks from the Group.

## **Objectives for coming year**

Alan started by stating that as we had received no non-clinical complaints from the patients of Park Lane in the 6 years we have been operating, perhaps we are at the crossroads of decision between remaining a passive link for patients or participating more actively to help the practice alert patients to relevant health initiatives.

He suggested attending the CCG initiative being run for patients with respiratory problems which starts on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018. (email regarding this event forwarded to everyone) perhaps we could investigate this or another area or interest.

There was mention of Prostate Cancer, Testicular Cancer, (Men's health Awareness Event) Janet Dean's Darley Abbey events, which Dr Nicholls was to be involved in. Bowel cancer, Dementia or other age-related problems. Lesley would be able to SMS a good deal of the patients as many had signed up for the service, also through a newsletter.

There was discussion about these varying areas and it was agreed that Lesley Hutchinson would contact Geraldine, Practice Manager from Park Farm, and see if this or other topics would interest them in holding a joint event, and maybe our next meeting could be held jointly.

## **Action Lesley Hutchinson to contact Geraldine from Park Farm PPG**

Park Farm would be a good central area to hold an event with good parking facilities. Sylvia Soar could put posters in shops and Christine said posters could be placed in churches.

Lesley reminded the group that no additional funding was available to the Practice to support external patient events which is inevitably a significant constraint.

The PPG objective is to support both the patients and Practice team. Feed-back on the expectations of the Doctors in this regard will always be helpful.

As a group we have had successes supporting the Flu Clinics and the Melanoma awareness clinic while Vic had early involvement in the AAA Clinics being held at the Practice.

Alan Twaite advised the group that he had attended his first Volunteer Patient session at the RDH. In support of 1<sup>st</sup> year students studying cardiac diagnostics.

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Lesley advised that Park Lane had not as yet, joined a Hub for out of hours appointments. Other practises in Derby are in operation using a Hub which enables the sharing of patient information, but, does not give continuity of care from a particular doctor.

At the end of the meeting Alan Twaite advised he would ring Claire regarding the respiratory awareness event to find out if we could benefit from attending it. Alan will try to attend one of the dates in March if he feels it would be of interest to the group.

There are also two events on Mental Health – 5<sup>th</sup> March in Buxton and 19<sup>th</sup> March at The Spot in Derby 12 to 3pm details of which will be emailed to all.

### **Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

The AGM closed at 8.10pm

### **Date of next meeting**

Caroline will send a Doodle meeting request to everyone for the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in May