

THE REDHOUSE SURGERY

Minutes of the Patient Participation Group Meeting held on Wednesday, 13th June, 2012 at 6.15pm

David Lloyd welcomed all present to the meeting.

Agenda Item 1. Present:

David Lloyd (Chair), Sheila Dale, Maureen Gladwin, Dorothy Lloyd, Judith Westell, Nigel Vaughan, Anne Nash, Mike Whitehand, Mark Pitman, Betty Moon, Jan Lloyd, Allison Carlton, Fay Read, Jane Hanlon, Dr P Staten and Dr N Fagan.

Agenda Item 2. Apologies:

John Neale, Bonnie Twynham, Christine Cartwright, Rosi Shunmoogum, Claire-Louise Nixon, Robert Lea, Monica Catelinet, Sylvia Ellwood, Angela and Gordon Lovell

Agenda Item 3. Adoption of Minutes:

The May, 2012 PPG minutes were circulated prior to this meeting. With the addition of Mark Pitman's name being inserted in the list of those present, the minutes were then adopted as an accurate record of the meeting.

Agenda Item 4. Speaker:

Mr Mark Pitman gave a very interesting talk on the background and local delivery of the work of The Red Cross. Mark answered questions from the floor before being thanked by David and presented with a small token of our appreciation.

Agenda Item 5. Action Points and Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting:

5.1: Midsummer Madness: Fay indicated that plans for this event were in hand.

Agenda Item 6. MK Commissioning:

6.1: Report from our representative Allison Carlton: A meeting took place on 21st May, 2012 at which nominations for the posts of Chair, Vice Chair etc were made. All posts were filled during the meeting. A copy of the minutes of the meeting and profiles of the people elected are available upon request from the surgery.

6.2: Resignation of Ms Karen Hough as Deputy Representative to MK Commissioning for the Red House Surgery: David proposed that Graham Perry should be asked to take Karen's place. This was agreed by those present. David to contact Graham.

Agenda Item 7. Update on the Newsletter:

Allison assured the members that numerous articles had been forwarded to the printers and that the Newsletter would be produced in due course.

Agenda Item 8. Walking Group:

8.1: Dates for future walks and to announce the winner of the 'Name the Group' competition: Following a successful May walk in the sunshine, Judith announced that the next walk would take place on 26th June, 2012, commencing at Dobbies Garden Centre at 2pm as the surgery would be closed on that afternoon. Further walks will take place on Protected Time afternoons, the dates of which will be forwarded to Judith by Jane. Anyone interested in being a trained leader, can attend a course at the Parks Trust Pavilion on Thursday, 12th July, 2012 between 9.30am and 3.00pm. Judith has the details of the course. Judith announced that the winning name for the Walking Group is the 'Red House Rovers' as proposed by Christine Cartwright. Graham Perry had donated a bottle of wine for the winner of the competition! Allison offered to ask a friend to design a poster for the walking group at Judith's request.

Agenda Item 9. Report of the Commissioning Champions Project: Meeting held on 31st May, 2012 with the NAPP representative, LINK:MK staff and representatives from four local PPGs: David and Angela attended this meeting which was led by Geoff Wood of NAPP. The project being at an early stage, there was discussion as to its nature, with the possible outcome being training materials. There will probably be two, six hour meetings, one in the autumn and one in the spring, with a possible away day meeting with the other group of PPGs from Staffordshire.

Agenda Item 10. Online-PRG project 2011-12 – update: David suggested that this was left until the next meeting due to the length of the Agenda. Full funding had been received for the last survey undertaken as part of the PPG DES. Dr Staten thanked the PPG for all their hard work with the Patient DES.

Agenda Item 11. Hazel Staten's Olympic torch run, update on time and location: Paul outlined a possible route but final details and exact timings will not be available until a week before the run, although a time of around 9am has been indicated.

Agenda Item 12. Report on the NAPP conference: Our representative Claire-Louise was unable to attend due to ill-health.

Agenda Item 13. News from the surgery and GP update: Paul announced that Dr Peter Robinson will be joining the practice on 1st August, 2012. The patching up of the surface in the car park has been completed and all the new doors have been fitted. The disabled toilet has been redecorated. The practice has been chosen to be the first in MK to migrate to the new computer system. Thanks go to Sylvia for persisting with the idea of a one-way system in the car park which is working well.

Agenda Item 14. Suggestions for future initiatives for the PPG to develop: In Angela's absence, David listed her suggestions: visiting old people who are housebound, other ways to become healthier (other than the walking group), a gardening club, assistance to others in exceptional circumstances, and a tea club for senior citizens. After discussion, it was proposed that David, Claire-Louise, Jan and Angela looked into these suggestions, particularly with the idea of a tea club being held at the Methodist Church on Queensway. A scheme to refer newly diagnosed patients with a person who had been in similar circumstances was deemed to require further discussion before the PPG get too involved with this proposal. Ways in which to help the younger, possibly school-age group was also discussed. It was decided to ask a health visitor to talk to us.

Agenda Item 15. Any Other Business: David is in receipt of the NAPP Quarterly Newsletter and circulated a few spare copies. It was noted that a patient who is blind has offered to talk to us regarding being sightless; Judith has the details.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 9th July, 2012 at 6.15pm.

The meeting closed at 8pm.