

Johnson Medical Practice PPG

Monday 13 February 2017

Hilltop Surgery, Maidenwell Avenue

PRESENT

Harsha Kotecha, Murray Frankland, John Thomsett, Nick Bates, Graham Cole, Mary Clare Cole

1. APOLOGIES

Dr Bhavik Patel, Asma Sader, Shaina Suleman Usha Vagela, Prabha Mistry

2. MEETINGS OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The last meeting took place in August 2016 and minutes were not circulated due to length of time that had passed it was irrelevant to review.

Harsha explained that the purpose of today's meeting was to establish if and how the group wanted to continue. As a background, she advised that the group enjoyed a positive relationship with the practice and had influenced changes, eg blood tests, action plan. The group had organised health promotion events and compiled newsletters.

In the past 12 months' meetings, had been sparse and there was little PPG activity.

The relaunched group agreed the following priorities this year:

- to meet monthly on Monday 5.30pm
- obtain notice board for PPG information
- promote the group to increase membership
- organise health promotion event later in year
- members were keen to collect patient feedback on services at the practice

Clare advised that the Hamilton Residents Association were holding an event at the Library on 8 April 1- 3pm and that this might be an opportunity to promote group. Group agreed to have stall at the event. Harsha will design some leaflets and forms. Nick stated he would be available from 2pm and Harsha will be available all afternoon.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

4. UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENTS AT THE PRACTICE

Deferred as Practice manager was unable to attend due to family emergency.

5. SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSFORMATION PLAN

Chair had previously circulated a copy of the draft plan, she has now been able to obtain a summary document which she will circulate. She advised that the CCG were holding an information event on the STP on 23 February at the Peepul centre, open to all. She would be attending and will feedback to the group at the next meeting.

6. AOB

- Murray asked for acknowledgment and thanks to be recorded to Allan Gratrix, who passed away last year. Everyone agreed he'd made a valuable contribution to the PPG and community. There are suggestions that the Thurnby Lodge community centre may renamed in his honour.
- Harsha advised that she is now the Chair of the Leicester City PPG Forum. The PPG Forum supports PPG groups and facilities sharing of best practice. The Forum is working with the CCG to set a standard for PPG across the city
- Health Hubs - The CCG are committed to keeping the Health Hubs open. There are three in the City – Westcotes Health Centre, Saffron Health and Belgrave Health Centre. The CCG are consulting on the location of the fourth, the options are either the Merlyn Vaz Health and Social Centre or Leicester General Hospital.

The contract for the Walk-in centre at Merlyn Vaz is due to end at the end of September 2017.

If located at the Leicester General – it will be a ‘Super Hub’ and provide additional facilities like blood tests, ECG and ultrasound.

Chair to forward link

8. DATES OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 13 March 5.30pm

Signature Chair PPG **Date**