

DUKINFIELD MEDICAL PRACTICE

MINUTES OF THE PPG MEETING HELD ON 4TH JUNE 2019 AT 1.30 PM AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL, DUKINFIELD

Present: J. Clere, D. O'Brien, A. Mistry, M. Bowker, G. Bowker, S. Frith, G. Hill, K. Haresceugh J. Drummond, J. Bates

Apologies: J. Pregnall

Minutes of the last meeting

Were approved as a correct record.

Matters Arising

Geoff reported that the licence for the website expires in August this year and that the company require a significant increase in the fee. A new provider has been identified. He further reported that the current TV system is not fit for purpose. He has been looking at this issue for some time and an alternative system will be installed in July. The screens will be in different positions than those currently in use in the waiting area. The screen content can be programmed more effectively, allowing the information to be tailored much more towards practice activity.

Signage - still to be investigated.

Other items were to be discussed as part of the Agenda.

Newsletter

It's planned to relaunch the Practice Newsletter, perhaps on a seasonal basis, and Jo asked for feedback. Suggestions for items included:

- Health or charity events
- Staff changes
- Practice developments
- Healthy recipes

New Staff

Jo advised the group that Nick Webb has now joined the practice. His background is that of a paramedic, and he still works as a paramedic one day per week. His work at the practice is mostly working with housebound patients. So far, the feedback is very positive regarding his role and the impact he is having with this patient group.

Health Event

Some concern was expressed about how achievable it was to host this event in July as had previously been hoped. There was uncertainty about whether the necessary permissions had been given by involved parties, i.e. neighbouring retail outlets, property owners and whether insurance cover presented any issues. There followed a wide ranging discussion about different options, e.g. holding the event between the library and

the Practice on Concord Way, timings (including when the library is staffed) etc. If this option is chosen, then the weather becomes less of an issue.

Actions included:

- Checking out the library as part of the venue along with all relevant details, such as staffing, fees, use of toilet facilities etc.
- Contacting those people who had been on the previous working party to see if they would be willing to be involved again on this occasion.
- Organising a DMP stand including nurses, Health Champions. With it being a summer event, travel health could be a feature.

Action: Jo/Julie

Any Other Business

Currently, bags of “charity” sweets are on sale at The Hollies site and the question was asked if there were plans to extend this to Concord Way? Jo said it was unlikely.

A stand for bags, coats etc., in the blood pressure area was requested. It was suggested that a smaller version of the table currently used for activities might be suitable.

There was a brief discussion about the role of Health Champions and the recent initiatives that are being launched. It was suggested that a Health Champion representative could be invited to future meetings to feed information into the group. The most recent leaflet was circulated for information.