

3 Villages PPG Minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2018

1. **Present:** John Sabin (JS)Chair; Linda Sabin (LS); Rev Tom Chapman (TC); Adrian Head (AH); Irene Arrowsmith (IA); Carol Longmore (CL); Marion Griffiths (MG); Colin Burch (CB); Liz Davenport (LD); Sue Helm (SH) Minutes; Alan Watkins (AW); Hilary Taylor (HT); Paula Collins (PC) Practice manager – up to item 3
2. **Apologies:** Dr D Foulds; Bob Homer; Inge Hill

Guest presenter Lisa Peaty, Deputy Director of Strategy for Dudley NHS

Dudley NHS are seeking views on strategy and vision of the Dudley Group. They have visited PPGs in the area, local patients and hospitals. The PPG committee were asked to identify the strengths and the weaknesses of the Dudley Group.

Comments will be fed back to the relevant people and will be analysed with those from other PPGs. The resulting draft strategy will be sent to the PPG.

3. **Minutes of the last meeting** (25th July 2018) agreed as correct.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes**

Complaints – all patients' notes will have details of discharge recorded following the complaint raised with the CCG by the PPG. Well done to LS for her hard work on this matter.

5. **Wollaston Surgery**

Comments from the Action Group submitted to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee on behalf of the patients.

Access to the Practice submission and consultation feedback from the public meetings will be available online.

CCG meeting will take place on **Friday 19th October 2018** at which the final decision on the proposal to close the surgery at Wollaston will be made. The meeting is at Amblecote Christian Centre, Brettel Lane, Amblecote from 1pm – 3pm and the public are invited to attend. Questions should be submitted in advance by the 15th October 2018.

CB confirmed that he had handed in the petition to save the surgery (nearly 900 signatures) to the Chair of the CCG who had stated that some questions may be allowed on the day.

Both local MPs had contacted the CCG re patients concerns over the proposed closure.

Posters about the meeting on 19th Oct on display in the waiting room at both surgeries.
Action SH to also notify the patients forum by email.

6. **Locality meetings** – LS – minutes from the last meeting not yet available. The main theme of the meeting was the MCP.
7. **POPS meeting** held in September . Three Villages PPG could not attend due to PPG outing on that day.

Action: Minutes to be circulated to patient forum members – SH

- 8. Donations-** SH reported that the tea party fund has received a donation from the funds of a local film society that ceased to function some years ago so there will be a cheque for £461 to be deposited in the account. CB confirmed that the funds would total £2,000.

Other potential funding sources could include Co-op Community Fund and Tesco.

Action: SH to look at the forms on line to see if the group would be able to make an application.

- 9. Complaints update** – see item 4.

10. Any other business

- a. CB to arrange tea party committee meeting dates
- b. LS reminded the group that an Older People's Day event is being held on 1st Oct 2018 at Brierley Hill Civic Hall and some PPG members will be attending.
- c. PPG Tea Party Group nominated for an award by Dudley CVS – to be announced on 18th Oct 2018 and 2 tickets for PPG to attend the event are available.
- d. Practice update – CB asked whether we are being kept updated on practice issues as 2 doctors have now left the practice – Dr Thompson and Dr Brown – so there are now 2 vacancies.

Date of Next meeting: Wednesday 28th November 2018 at 6.15pm.