

Patient Participation Group
35th Meeting – 25th April 2017

Those Present :- Diane Westray, Francesca Wall, Victoria Bellamy
Maria Power, Paul Day, Elizabeth Carless, Jeremy
Pinner and Lynne Bradshaw.

Apologies :- Angela Townsend, Sheila Pearson and Alex Britton

The minutes of the last minutes on 28th February were agreed.

The Practice nurse Lynne Bradshaw was welcomed to the meeting.

- 1) Jeremy Pinner, the practice manager, informed us that the Practice had been nominated for a G.P. award and had been short listed. The result would be known in 3 weeks time.
- 2) He also told us that Dr Kanji would be retiring in November.
- 3) Comment was made that mothers were struggling carrying carry-cots upstairs at the Prestwood Surgery for their post-natal appointments .
Jeremy said that there was no reason why patients could not be seen for their post natal appointments at the Hughenden Surgery where there was a lift.
- 4) The PPG helped provide refreshments at The Carers Bucks “diabetes hub” held at Hughenden surgery. There was a poor attendance although we were informed that there were 800 suffering from diabetes in the practice out of 12,800 patients. This is a higher ratio than the overall percentage in the country of 1 in 20.

5) We discussed the arrangements for the forthcoming talk on Breast cancer for the patients and community on 3rd May in the Hughenden Village Hall, which was being put on by the PPG.

6) Lyn Bradshaw, the Practice nurse, gave us a talk and provided a video on the new Huntleigh Dopplex machine to check the circulation in patients suffering from leg ulcers, pain in the calves and other symptoms relating to poor blood supply. The machine checks the blood pressure of the arms and legs.

The present method is very time consuming and the new machine gives good results and takes only 50 minutes. This would allow them to see patients earlier and start treatment. They investigate approximately 2 patients per week.

Nurses or HCA's will be given a 2 day training on the machine.

The machine costs £ 2,500 and she wondered whether the PPG could ask for donations at the forthcoming talk or suggest ways to raise the money.

The PPG felt it would be inappropriate to ask for donations at the Breast cancer evening when the Unit at High Wycombe would be promoting their cause but various ideas/suggestions were made for raising awareness and donations from patients.

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 27th June at 6.30pm at Hughenden Surgery.

Natalie Judson from Prevention Matters has asked to come to talk about the pilot street scheme.

Elizabeth Carless.

