

HOWDEN MEDICAL CENTRE

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

WEDNESDAY 29TH MARCH 2023

MINUTES

In Attendance:

Dr R Harrison – GP Partner
Dr D Rose – GP Partner
Joanne Jennison – Practice Manager
Christine Shearer
Anne Bell
Robert Pickersgill
Terence Harford
Susan Glass
Sarah Boggitt
Irene Dance

Apologies:

David Bugg – Finance Manager
Julia Dyson
Wilfred Bahadur
Valerie Ellerington

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received as above.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Accepted as a true record of the meeting.

3. NEW MEMBERS

3.1 The meeting welcomed Sarah Boggitt and Irene Dance as new members to the group.

3.2 It was agreed that group membership will be re-advertised on Face Book.

4. PRACTICE UPDATE

4.1 Practice Staffing

Dr May has now started at the practice 2 days per week. The practice is now fully staffed with GPs

4.2 PCN

The Primary Care Network (PCN) now employs Pharmacists, Pharmacy Technicians, Paramedics, Social Prescribers, MSK Practitioners, Care Coordinators. All these staff groups work in or for our practice remotely. Members of the PCN Team look after our care homes liaising with the practice as needed.

All new funding to increase staff numbers is coming down through the PCNs, not through the practices.

We also have local mental health support workers aligned to our PCN.

4.3 COVID Vaccine Spring Boosters

We will be starting to roll out the Spring Boosters in a few weeks time when vaccines are delivered. The primary focus initially is on vaccinating patients in care homes with roll out to patients aged 75 and over and those from 5yr – 74yrs who are immunosuppressed to follow.

4.4 IIF & QOF

The Impact and Investment Fund (IIF) are the targets the PCN has to achieve against in order to receive funding available through that scheme. The OCN has achieved well against these targets this year.

The Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) are targets the practice has to achieve in order to receive some of our funding and we again have achieved 100% of the target points.

4.5 Liver Project

The practice has been undertaking a project looking at patients whose liver function tests are out of range. It is gradual piece of work looking at further blood tests and scans for these patients.

4.6 New Contract for 23/24

We are awaiting the detail for the contract changes for next financial year along with detail of the changes to the PCN Contract requirements. Most of the change to these contracts is around patient access. Further detail will be shared at the next meeting.

5. HOWDEN SHOW

It was agreed that the group would not have a stall at Howden Show this year. The possibility of having a stall at Late Night Shopping nearer Christmas was discussed with a view to providing information to patients regarding how primary care services are now being provided outside of the practice by other organisations or by PCN staff where we have room for them in different locations. We need to educate patients that funding for extra capacity is not coming into general practice, it is going through the PCN, Pharmacies and other services which we must navigate patients to. Late night shopping will be kept on the table depending on the circumstances at the time.

6. SECONDARY CARE UPDATE

Robert Pickersgill gave an update on the Humber Acute Services Review and provided a handout detailing potential different models of care for the future. Robert discussed how in order to do this hospital, community services and other out of hospital services need to become integrated.

Robert also provide details of the NHS Leadership Model which the NHS is working to embed and a copy of the letter summarising changes to the GP Contract for 23/24.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Pinfold Pharmacy

Group members who use the Pharmacy wanted to feedback their praise for the service which they feel is excellent with excellent customer care. Joanne said she would feed this back.

7.2 List of GPs working at the Practice

A list of GP working at the practice was requested to be sent out with the minutes.

7.3 Date for next meeting

It is likely this will be in July, a date will be sent out with the minutes.

7.4 There was no further business and the meeting was closed.