

MUNRO MEDICAL CENTRE

Minutes of a meeting of the Patient Core Group

held on Monday 14th November 2016 in the Practice Meeting Room

Present:- Paul (Chairman):- Connie (Secretary):-Frank:-Doreen :-Roy:- Janet :-Wendy : Veronica :-
Richard :-

Anthony (Newsletter Editor):-Joan:-

Debbie Herd (Practice Manager)

Dr G Wheatley (Practice Partner) Nurse Theresa Hare (Practice Partner)

Item

1 Chairman's Welcome

Paul welcomed members and thanked them for attending

Paul then asked members to stand for a two minute silence in respect for Dr Lennon

2 Lisa Dean –Engagement Officer for SLCCG

Lisa had asked to attend our meeting to speak on Over the counter Medicines and projects being organised by South Lincs. CCG.

The CCG is currently carrying out a public consultation with regards to restricting types of medicines and products that should be bought over the counter instead of being prescribed.

The CCG have funding to hold an educational event and set up a Diabetes support group in Spalding in 2017. This will be followed by similar groups for Bourne and Long Sutton in 2018.

They will also submit a bid for funding in mid-December for resources and education for newly diagnosed Type 2 Diabetes sufferers.

Wastage of medicines was also discussed and this will be re-iterated in the next Newsletter.

3 Apologies for absence and Secretary's report.

Apologies were received from:-Roger:-Stephen :-Bernie

The secretary then reported on the awareness afternoon at the surgery on October 12th that she and Frank had initiated. A very successful session but disappointed that literature that was promised was not supplied. Connie had fortunately printed some off at her own expense in case of any such problems

Richard said there must be a Rota of volunteers for these awareness afternoons with possibly a co-ordinator to organise this. Each core group member must avail themselves of the need to be a part of bringing the group to the attention of the patients and not just leaving this to a few willing members.

4 Minutes of Meeting held on 12th September 2016

Agreed as a true record

Proposed by:- Veronica

Seconded by:-Wendy

5 Matters Arising

The Notice Board has been moved to a more convenient spot and literature holders were now in place. The Secretary and Chairman will organise any notices etc. that need displaying.

Connie will put 'stickers' on the literature holders to hopefully encourage patients to take the Newsletters and copy minutes to read.

6 Chairman's Report

Paul had a very lengthy report from which he read extracts and Connie will attach a typed full report to the Minute for members to read in their own time!

7 Munro Medical Centre News

Debbie distributed the Plans for the extension of Pinchbeck Surgery.
Dr Wheatley said that there is to be a second Consultation Room and a larger Dispensary as with the growing population in the area this is greatly needed.
Dr Wheatley asked the group if they would help support the planning application with a supporting letter and this was readily agreed. Debbie will draft a letter and Paul will sign the letter on behalf of the group.

Debbie reported on the Friends & Family survey and there is a very high percentage that would recommend the practice. Figures will be published in the Newsletter.

Debbie also reported that 16 patients have shown an interest in joining the group and this will be discussed at the January meeting.

8 Newsletter Update

The next Newsletter will be after the January 2017 meeting.
Wastage of Medicines will be re-iterated.

9 Any Other Business

Wendy reported on the STP (Sustainability Transformation Plans) in the NHS and of bringing together communities. The Kings Fund website has further information.

Janet asked if Nurses can raise prescriptions and a negative reply was given.. This was raised as it has been taking a long time to get a prescription signed when seeing a nurse.
A different procedure is now in place whereby a prescription is sent immediately to the duty doctor for signing alleviating a long wait.

Frank asked about the damage to the wall in the Blue Room that has not had any attention for some months. Dr Wheatley said that renovations are in hand.

Frank was also concerned that only one medical problem can be discussed in a ten minute appointment. He, and probably others have to get a taxi to appointments and this proves costly when two problems should be able to be discussed at one appointment
After a discussion with Holly regarding this problem, she said that doctors are aware of this and older patients are allocated a double appointment time.

Debbie gave a list of proposed dates for the Group meetings in 2017 as follows:-

January 16th = March 13th May 15th July 10th September 11th.....November 13th

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50p.m.

Date and time of next meeting:-Monday 16th January 2017 at 6.00p.m.

Chairman.....Date.....