



HADDENHAM

Medical Centre PPG

Minutes of Meeting held at 7pm on Wednesday 21ST February 2018

Present Keith Milmer (Chairman), Barry Lynch (Vice Chair) Dr Mark Howcutt, Ellen Solley (Practice Manager) and 15 members. Apologies from Sue Peck, David Gregory, Geoff Grover, Alan and Margaret Watkins.

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone. Keith also welcomed Brian Cole who had come along to give a presentation about Prostate Cancer.
2. Brian Cole explained that he was the Chairman of the local Prostate Cancer Support Group and had come along with a couple of people who also been through Prostate Cancer to give a talk. Using the projector in the training room Brian was able to go through the various stages of diagnosis and treatment of Prostate Cancer which has now become a bigger problem than Breast Cancer.
3. Practice Report.

Ellen thanked Brian Rodgers for the work done on signage for Dementia. He will make a presentation on the signage at the next meeting.

Ellen commented about next year's flu vaccinations where there will be different vaccinations for different age group: 65 and over and 64 and under. There will only be one supplier in the country for the first year and we can only order the same quantity as was used this year. It will be too expensive to hold stock and she would like suggestions as to how to get the message over to people.

The vaccination for the 65 and over group is stronger and the one for the 64 and under has more strains in it.

4. PPG 200 Club

Barry reported that the PPG 200 Club has achieved 98 members for 2018 and this is enough to cover prizes for the year and a modest surplus. He thanked Bob and Lesley for all the work they had done in administering the draw.

Anyone (not limited to patients) can still apply online to join the 2018 200 Club at www.dinton.info/ppg.php.

5. AOB - David Lindsey asked whether the latest version of the prescription form could have the tick box put back for ease of ordering repeat prescriptions. Mark said the box had disappeared when using the electronic transfer to the pharmacy of prescriptions and perhaps we could ask the pharmacy if it was possible to revert to the previous format. Member asked why new medication was not available on a repeat prescription and Mark answered that the reason is they want to make sure that the new medication was working.
6. AOB - Keith asked why it was not known about the 4 strain flu vaccination. Mark replied that at the time of ordering it was not known to be available.
7. AOB - Barry commented that the latest arrangement of giving more doctors and times available online had considerably improved availability.
8. AOB - Keith announced that he was standing down as PPG Chair and proposed that Barry should take over the role of Chairman from immediate effect. He asked the meeting to approve the motion which was carried on a show of hands.
9. Date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 23rd April 2018 at 7.00pm at the Medical Centre.