

PATIENT PARTICPATION GROUP MINUTES 12.10.17

Meeting held at Mapperley Surgery at 7pm

PPG Members Present: Cath Verhoeven (Chair) Debs Main (Secretary), Bill Brown, Anne Hardy, James Pam, Sue Clague, Martin Rudge, Alan Wilson, Pat Dexter, Sue Hawkesford, Tryphena Anderson, Daphne Smart, Robin Taylor, Muriel Weizz.

Present on behalf of the Practice: Hilary Jones, Dr Mawji, Dr Nightingale.

Guest Speaker: Sue Hall (Keyworth Primary Care Centre PPG)

Apologies: Jan Unczer, Jane Hodgson, Helen Thompson, Barbara Kendal, Patricia Graham.

Cath Verhoeven introduced Sue Hall as guest speaker for the meeting.

Sue is a retired community nurse who joined her local PPG and was until recently their Chair's, she resigned after 7 chairs to concentrate on the antimicrobial project. Sue regularly facilitates information sessions at her own and other practices on the importance of cutting the unnecessary use of antibiotics to slow antibiotic resistance.

Sue gave an extremely interesting presentation about the Antimicrobial Stewardship programme, which is aimed at raising public awareness about antibiotic resistance.

Antimicrobial Resistance is an initiative that Sue joined as lay member and she has created a resource pack for PPGs to display. Sue shared the Resource Pack – PPGs can create displays from the information but text/content cannot be changed as it has been approved. The pack includes posters, booklets, newsbytes etc.

The key messages of the presentation were:

- Antibiotic resistance is one of the biggest threats facing us today.
- Antimicrobial resistance in essence - antibiotics becoming less effective and no new developments on horizon.
- Both the NHS and organisations across the world are trying to reduce the use of antibiotics, especially for conditions that aren't serious.
- Without effective antibiotics many routine treatments will become increasingly dangerous. Setting broken bones, basic operations, even chemotherapy all rely on access to antibiotics that work.
- Informing patients they need to change behaviour and expecting/demanding prescription for antibiotics let the GP decide.
- Individuals can sign up as a guardian via the "Antibiotic Guardian" website <http://antibioticguardian.com/healthcare-professionals/>
- Balance between building natural immunity, good practice in infection control and medication.

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A.O.B.

1. The minutes of the last meeting were ratified.
2. Dr Mawji informed the PPG that the deputy practice manager; who the PPG liaises closely with, would not be at work for some time due to health issues and as such would appreciate the co-operation of the PPG while the practice reallocates her workload.
3. The PPG members were asked if the meeting in the evening was more convenient. There were a few members who said it enabled them to come when they would not have been able to attend a daytime meeting. It was noted that some members who were usually at the meeting at VHC during the day were not in attendance. **Action:** The action group to discuss location and timing of future meetings.
4. Some members mentioned that they were receiving postal notification of meeting at a very late stage and they would appreciate more notice for future meetings. **Action:** The action group will discuss how this can be facilitated.

Next PPG meeting: 1pm, 11th January at Victoria Health Centre.