

SWALLOWFIELD MEDICAL PRACTICE

Patient Group Meeting

Minutes

20 January 2014

	Action
1 Present: Dave, Roberta, Fran, Sandy,, Judith, Roger, Rosemary Apologies: Mike, Jim, Helen,Jane	
2 Welcome Roberta welcomed all present to the meeting	
3 Treasurers Report Balance remains £429.09	
4 CCG PPG Forum Roberta attended a meeting of the chairs of all PPGs in Wokingham to discuss the future relationship between the CCG and the PPGs. The CCG emphasized that it is committed to working closely with the PPGs and will make use of their knowledge and their PRGs to obtain wider views on health and social issues withing the Consortium area. Several topics were highlighted as major issues for the CCG to work on and which they would like PPGs to be aware of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Prime MInisters £50million challenge to increase access to GPs through 7 day/week opening- Hospital at Home - programme to provide a support package for ill patients to be cared for at home rather than going into hospital. They intend to liaise with patients who have had experience of this to discover the best way forward- Better integration between health and social care through the pooling of resources where appropriate- Configuring services around the RBH - to support the RBH which, unlike other hospitals in the region, doesn't have a 'partner' which could leave it in a vulnerable position as the government is keen on creating centres of excellence eg Oxford for ortho/vascular.	
5 Survey Dave, Mike and Fran have worked on an outline survey - this was discussed and alterations suggested. A final draft will be circulated this week with the aim of sending the survey to the PRG by end of Jan.	FL/DB
6 Newletter articles: blood test results - process of receiving them; travel vax,; staff changes; Taking responsibility for own health; alcohol; hayfever Sandy volunteered to do a few health promotion articles. Roger and Sandy are keen to make the newsletter more appealing and will look at rejigging articles to make them more 'active' and maybe have a FAQ section - all members to think of a few generic questions which could be answered Distribution - Roger will investigate posting on Swallowfield Parish Council website and Swallowfield facebook. Email copies go to PRG members; hard copies in 3 surgeries; Roberta distributes to local groups. Also on SMP website	FL/DB/SS/ RN
7 AOB Demographics: Roger was interested to know the demographics breakdown of our patient population - see attachment.	

Date of next meeting: 31 March 2014

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