

KINGS CORNER SURGERY Patients' Participation Group

Minutes of the meeting Monday 12th November 2012

Present: Sally Hanson (Chair), Christine Weightman (Secretary), Pat Morris (Minutes), Peter Bateson, Russ Howell, Spike Humphrey, Philip Shelley, Peter Standley.

Dr Whitfield and Clare McAteer represented the surgery (and Jackie McGlynn for item 2).

Apologies: Harry Ruprah, Daphne Luff.

1. Arising from the previous meeting:

Newsletter: Christine offered a list of topics that could be included, to which should be included a brief profile (and picture) of our new Chairman, Peter B.

Notes from Dawn regarding prescriptions should be summarised, simplified and included. A note about EMIS should be included. **Action Clare**

Minutes of the October meeting include other suggestions which may not have been acted upon yet.

The Editor would collate all of this material. **Action Editor (Peter B.)**

2. Heatherwood

Christine had written a letter in July on behalf of the PPG, representing our views on the 'Shaping the Future' proposals. A bland 'stock reply' had been received from Charles Waddicor (Chief Executive, Berkshire NHS) which did not address any of the six specific issues we raised. Christine would reply to Waddicor, including any further comments from the PPG.

Christine had written a one-page summary of the current position regarding the future of Heatherwood. She suggested that this be put out in the surgery to provide an update for patients and concerned local residents. It was agreed that this should be done, with the PPG clearly identified as its source. Jackie was asked to provide further clarification, especially regarding what facilities would or would not be likely at Heatherwood in the future. It is difficult to be certain in such a fluid situation, especially as the public consultation has not yet ended, but there are several good reasons why the maternity unit would not reopen.

Some suggested amendments to the update paper were noted and Christine would provide a final version for Clare to print and put out. **Action Christine & Clare**

3. The BFAJF Meeting, 2pm January 9th

Peter B. and Russ would attend on our behalf. **Action Peter B. & Russ.**

4. NAAPP Newsletters

Christine passed on 5 copies.

5. AoB

It was noted that 'Flu jabs' were not being pro-actively promoted this year. It was up to individual patients to telephone the surgery, find out when sessions were taking place, and book themselves in. Any who forgot would be reminded later. A Health Week/ Self Care exhibition is being held in Bracknell.

6. Next Meetings.

December 13th Christine kindly offered to host this meeting at her home. January 16th, 6.30 at the surgery.

Pat will be unable to attend either of these (apologies!), so a substitute Minutes Secretary will be needed.