

**KINGS CORNER PATIENT'S PARTICIPATION GROUP
MINUTES OF 21st OCTOBER 2013 MEETING**

Present: PPG : Peter Bateson (Chairman) (PB), Christine Weightman (Secretary)(CW), Russ Howell (RH), Sonia Lippold (SL), Harry Ruprah (HR), Philip Shelley (PSh), Peter Standley (Pst).
Practice : Clare McAteer (CM), Dr Whitfield (PW), Dr McGlynn (JM) (Item 6)

Apologies: Sally Hanson, Pat Morris, Jan Olejniczak

1. Minutes of 11 September 2013 Meeting agreed

2. Matters Arising

Prescription Changes - CM confirmed that suggested wording for the proposed poster had been provided by Mr Amlani and this had been forwarded to Sally for formatting and poster design.

Action: SH

3. Patient Survey

Reference to the new 111 service had been incorporated by CM in a V2 which was then further amended to omit the ethnic group question and to change the order of paragraphs 9 to 12 as suggested by PM. CM will e-mail a V3 to all members for any final comments (no reply=no comments). **Action CM**

4. Attendance at 19th September CCG Meeting

Meeting not attended. Date missed by PSt.

5. Magnolia House Forum's Health Care Days

Carried forward to next meeting.

6. News on Heatherwood Hospital

JM provided an update both on the Heatherwood site itself and the wider issue of the future of the Heatherwood and Wexham Park Hospital Trust.

The plan for Heatherwood is that it will become a Cold Case Centre providing an elective surgical facility for Heatherwood and Wexham Park. This will mean the transfer of the Minor Injuries Unit to the Urgent Care Centre at Brants Bridge Bracknell. It is not clear whether any existing clinics will remain. A requirement for x-ray and CT facilities will remain although the precise list of facilities remains unclear.

The plan for the Trust is for it to be acquired as a whole by Frimley Park Hospital Trust. They are still going through a process of assessment of the suitability and viability of the acquisition proposal. JM said that this acquisition had clinical backing as it would provide future stability for Heatherwood and Wexham Park.

Touching on the wider picture JM said that St Marks and Upton Park were expected to be fairly unaffected by the proposed changes as they are not owned by HW/WP. The pressure on A & E at Wexham Park is partly caused by the transfer of emergency patients from Bucks due to changes in their emergency services.

7. Any Other Business

JM stated that BACCG were planning to look at rehabilitation services in the next year and the care of chronic conditions, particularly for the elderly within the community. She felt that isolation was a particularly significant problem for elderly patients in Ascot and adversely affected their health. The Ascot Day Centre used to run fitness and health advice classes but these had been discontinued. Is there a role for the PPG in raising the issue of "people getting out"?

8. Dates of future meetings

Next meeting at Kings Corner Surgery will be on 20th November to be followed by a "Christmas Meeting" on 17th December kindly hosted by CW at Heronsbrook Cottage, Cheapside Road. Both to start at 6.30pm.