

Annual report to the PPG AGM 26th June 2018

I would like first to thank all members for their support and contributions to the work of the past year.

During Autumn/Winter you were all involved in the development of the NAPP Building Better Participation document, this led to the production of a members pack including updated Constitution, Volunteer Officer Roles and a framework for future recruitment, at each stage members participated in decisions.

During October members assisted with the Flu clinics.

We were briefed on the NHS Care Navigation Scheme which has since been implemented within the practice.

Several members attended the 6 weekly Locality group meetings.

Members reported on the Medicines Matter campaign and what we could do to support the initiative.

In response to enquiries re alternate meeting times we developed a process to try to encourage virtual members to interact regarding initiatives and also to continue the need to sign a confidentiality agreement. Also we identified a date for a new members evening. The New Member evening June 11th we welcomed 3 potential members who have also attended an induction.

During the year we have welcomed 6 new members.

The proposed closures of Beds and facilities at the hospitals across Northern Staffordshire has involved myself representing the three Leek PPG Chairs at numerous meetings developing a case for change. Other members of our PPG have represented other organisations or on internal committees. A report is now being prepared and to be shared with other organisations before being submitted for consideration.

Our thanks to Bas for his persistence re parking in regent street After nearly 5 years a parking scheme has been implemented enabling easy access for Ambulances and Patients to the practice car park.

Two sub groups embarked on a) preparing for a health awareness week 23-27 April and b) a new logo, leaflet and newsletter for the PPG. The Health Awareness week report will be shared at the June meeting. The Leaflet will become a priority during early autumn.

Several members have been involved in the RCGP post consultation questionnaire interviews.

Two members attended the NAPP Conference representing the practice.

In closing I would thank Rachel for keeping us fully informed re improvements and in house initiatives within the practice and her staff for all the photocopying to support our meetings. The Doctors for making time to attend our meetings.

Last but not least to my two committee officers Bas and Roy. Bas brings lots to our group through his involvement in several health related organisations we are kept informed on many initiatives which normally would not be publicised. A very special thanks to Roy for all the past years as our secretary a role most people try to avoid. Roy is stepping down as secretary and has agreed to lead on designing and analysing this year's Practice questionnaire, Roy also has agreed to lead on our medicines matter campaign.

Thank you all