

MRS PPG MINUTES

Thursday 21st November 2019 @1900

Present:

Pete Barfield
Dr Nirmalan De Silva
Steve Essam
Fiona Hunt
Marilyn Hurst
Alison Jay
Alison Newstead
Carolyne Such
Liz Taverner

Apologies:

Pauline Bacon
Andy Leonard

The Chair (**CS**) welcomed:

Members

Matters Arising from Minutes 22/08/19

- Updated PPG application pack was given to **AN**. Surgery headed paper needs updating

Public Transport Survey

Myland Parish Council are working with Colchester Borough Council to map out bus and cycle routes. Maps will be available to the public. It was decided not to carry out our own survey at the present time. **AJ** to contact Planning and Highways for an update.

SystemOnline/NHS App feedback

SystemOnline – outdated and not particularly user friendly

NHS App – user friendly and has good features. Filters are helpful for booking type of appointment needed. Wording of appointment types is slightly confusing. Initial setup is complicated, and device isn't remembered.

Newsletter

Alteration to wording regarding chicken pox was suggested. **PB** was thanked for his work on the Newsletter

Ideas for Spring newsletter to be brought to next meeting

My Care Record

A new system is to be implemented which enables patients' medical records to be shared by clinicians. Therefore, wherever a patient is treated their records will be available. All patients are opted into this unless they specifically ask to opt out.

Planning application for land adjacent to Mill road surgery carpark

A planning application has been temporarily approved for this land to be used as a carpark for hospital staff until January 2020 providing 70 spaces. The application will then have to be resubmitted.

Surgery News

- Flu Vaccine – The 2 Saturdays were extremely busy. There was a supply issue which did affect the vaccine programme. VK suggested an alternative site could be used for the Saturday vaccine surgeries as carparking proved to be an issue.
N De S agreed to ask the partners if the vaccine surgeries could be run on 3 Saturdays in 2020.
- The new website is up and running and going well
- Staffing – a new GP - Dr Chopra. A new receptionist Supervisor.

A.O.B.

- **AJ/CS** to contact Martin Goss re traffic congestion in and around surgery due to roadworks.
- **CS** asked if the surgery would be moving into another building at some point in the future to accommodate the increase in housing.
- **AN** provided some further information via email following the meeting.
The surgery has signed up to the "Park run". AN and 2 GPs have already participated.
4 Christmas hampers are being raffled for St Helena Hospice. £1.00 per ticket
- Ashley Moore, Paramedic is unable to attend our February meeting as he is on annual leave.

Date of next meeting

Thursday February 20th, 2020 @1900

Items for the agenda

- Newsletter