



## **Minutes: General Meeting – Rectory Meadow Patients Group. 15 May 2018**

**Note** – the slides used by the contributors was presented digitally. Those relating to Healthwatch can be viewed as an attachment to the email which encloses these minutes

They contain a wide range of valuable information - well worthwhile - particularly for those who were not able to attend.

**Your committee**, Chris Purves (CMP), Gordon Barratt (GJB), Graham Cook (GC), Mike Hender (MAH), Peter Mcloughlin (TPM), Drene de Silva (DDS), Ron Newall (RN), Liz Davidson (ED), Roy Evans (RE), Tony Burckhardt (TB) Jo Blake (JB)

27 members attended. Apologies - 10. Dr Chan and Nicola Newstone were welcomed by Chair

## **Meeting 20 February 2018 – minutes circulated 21 February. Matters arising covered below**

### **Current progress**

- Healthwatch – update by Chris Purves. Significant reliance on experienced volunteers. Check the website [www.healthwatchbucks.co.uk](http://www.healthwatchbucks.co.uk) for all the issues reported on.
- Locality Patients Groups – Graham Cook reported on current activities and why we should support other PPGs. Still a lot to be done by some Patient Groups
- Rectory Meadow Patients Group now has 674 members – compared with 14 when we started 3 years ago. Still only 7.5% of the total patient population. Much to do.
- Facts and figures – substantially improved use of the website for booking G.P. appointments and repeat prescriptions on line.

G.P. appointments - 13.4% of total now booked on line compared with 7% 12 months ago

Repeat prescriptions made on line – 20% improvement over prior year

- Rectory Meadow health space. Anticipate completion August 2018. Ideas for use from RMPG?
- Schools Community Outreach. Request for "Drop in clinic". CAMHS. No further response from Chiltern CCG. NN investigating
- Hobbs Pharmacy. NN has had meetings and achieved improvements but no Saturday opening in prospect. Hobbs have promised "delivery service". Ongoing monitoring
- Medicines management. Awaiting minutes of the regional meeting held 27 April which will be summarised/circulated. One important message – vital that we check medications for any which are incorrect or no longer needed before leaving the Pharmacy. Otherwise they cannot be returned/re-used.

## Health Awareness Events

Rheumatology -28 March. Another very successful event arranged by Chris Phillips. 74 attended.

### Future Health Awareness Events

- *Vote on future topics – what would be your 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice?*
  - Parkinsons
  - Dementia – focus on advice for Carers
  - Stress - How to stay healthy mentally
  - Heart/Statins
  - Social media
  - Medicines management
  - How to stay fit & healthy
  - Skin conditions

The committee will shortly be writing to all members requesting a response to determine priorities.

## A.O.B.

**Data protection (GDPR)** Data Protection Act changes –current requirements effective 25 May 2018 explained. Communication to all Patients Group members sent 24 May 2015

Amersham Library is holding a series of Health Awareness meetings per Liz Baker

The meeting closed at 13.30

**Next General Meeting – Tuesday 21 August. 12.30 at the surgery**

