Garswood Surgery PPG Meeting

Thursday 30TH November 2023 6:30pm

Attendees: Rita Chapman (Chair)(RC), Frank Moss (FM), Alex Prince (AP), Dr Helen Parr (HP), Marilyn Richardson

(MR), Peter Astle (PA), Brenda Ashcroft (BA)

Apologies: Hazel Ryan, Christine Henning

SUBJECT	DESCRIPTION	RAISED BY	ACTION
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	The minutes from the last meeting were discussed and agreed	RC	No action req
Newsletters & PPG Recruitment	AP has been unable to do the newsletter for Autumn due to time constraints with flu, covid & shingles campaigns taking up a lot of her time. She will endeavour to do a newsletter for the start of the New Year & would welcome any input or ideas from the members of the PPG regarding content or production. RC asked if we could include a more comprehensive description of the newer staff roles to help people understand fully the services offered following feedback she has received from patients. AP agreed that this could be included and that she has already got something from the GPA's that can be included on the next newsletter. AP also informed the group regarding how CQC look at your PPG and that they like us to have group which fully represents the full patient demographic. AP asked that if any members had any ideas on how we could recruit more members or knew of any patients who may be keen to join to contact her. AP would be happy to receive any feedback or help regarding the PPG recruitment	АР	Newsletter to be produced for Jan 24
Loneliness & Isolation Survey	RC highlighted a survey that is currently being circulated by Imperial College London regarding Loneliness & Isolation that was presented at a stakeholder meeting. The intention is to gather more data around loneliness and social isolation through the survey undertaken by Imperial College London Department of Primary Care & Public Health who will be able to share with us the data collected from St Helens. The link to the survey is below:- https://imperial.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3pYYv2RAW7HrhTE Unfortunately, due to the survey being online it will restrict the people who would be able to take part. RC asked if anyone from the PPG had any ideas or knew of anyone who would be willing to answer the questions and if they could support them in doing this.	RC	No action required

Research	Lee Bullen gave a presentation regarding the types of medical research which are currently being undertaken in practice, which was extremely informative and highlighted the many different types of research and why it is such an important part of improving ongoing patient care.		
Any other business	RC asked whether the group would consider meeting 3 times a year rather than the current 2 meetings a year. This was agreed and that the next meeting could be in April next year to feedback the annual figures to the Group.	RC	Next meeting date April 23 – date tbc

Next meeting – April 2023. Date TBC