

**Sele Medical Practice
Patient Reference Group
Notes of the meeting on
Friday 13 September 2019 at 10.30am**

Present: Derek Bramley (DB), Joan McFarlane (JM), Jean Elphick (JE), Michael Elphick (ME), Anne Brooks (AB)

Apologies: Sheila Dance (SD), Bob Potter (BP), Stephen Prandle (SP), Hafsa Mannan (HM), Shannon Bell (SB)

Apologies/welcome to any new members

Apologies as above.

Notes of the last meeting (Wednesday 15 May 2019)

These were agreed as a true record.

Northumberland wide PPG meeting - The next meeting is 19 September at 4.00 pm, Greystoke Surgery, Morpeth. DB is likely to attend.

Healthwatch Northumberland

Lesley Tweddell and Caroline Janes from Healthwatch Northumberland attended to give the group an update on current Healthwatch projects:

- Audiology survey – feedback session/workshop available at Adapt, Burn Lane 19 September 13.00 – 14.30
- JMAPS – joint musculoskeletal and Pain Service

Comments on either or both these services are welcome in writing, by e-mail or by phone.

- Annual conference – Wednesday 16 October in Blyth – local transport to the venue is available and lunch is provided.

The engagement team are to test menus in NTW (Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS foundation trust - Mental Health services) hospital sites.

Practice Update and Primary Care Developments

Practice update

Dr Emily Cottrell and Dr Aditi Kumar have joined the practice as registrars.

Jenna Mead and Heather Childs have joined the reception team and Sam Banks is the practice's new Healthcare Assistant.

Primary Care Networks

The Network has the responsibility to provide extended hours services and although patients aren't likely to notice any change in the way this is provided via the Corbridge Hub, there may be tweaks to practice extended hours. The PCN must ensure that extended hours are available right across the area so it must provide capacity for patients of Adderlane and Riversdale surgeries to access appointments in outside of core contracted hours (08.00 – 18.30 Monday to Friday).

NEAS home visiting Pilot

Ethical approval has been obtained this week for a research project to assess the efficacy and opinion of this service. We will be contacting patients to seek consent for the researchers to contact them.

Parkrun Practice

The practice is now an RCGP accredited parkrun practice with various members of the Sele team having participated in the local, regular, Saturday morning Tyne Green parkrun. The aim of this association is to encourage everyone to participate and become active either as a participant (walker or runner) or as a volunteer, to help marshall and

cheer on the participants. The event is free and is committed to remaining free for everyone so the practice is very happy to be associated with this inclusive event.

The practice is to offer members of staff as volunteers at the parkrun on Saturday 21 September in a practice 'takeover'.

Newsletters

The August edition had been issued. Ideas are welcomed for the next issue due November.

Activity Boards

Teresa (receptionist) is continuing to work with HPCA in providing the activity blackboards and keeping the information up to date. JE and ME advised that a further programme of films will be available in Slaley and that a new film club is to be set up in riding Mill. Information will be provided to Teresa to distribute to the appropriate practices.

Any other business

The practice will have a CQC inspection in the next 6 months.

Brexit – ME asked about the impact of Brexit on medication supplies. AB advised that no further information has been received about the impact of medication supplies therefore as far as the practice is aware, patients continue to be asked not to stockpile medication and assume that provision has been made for the continuation of supplies.

Dates for 2019

Wednesday 13 November 2019 at 4.00pm