

Staunton and Corse PPG .

Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th July 2017 .

Present : Malcolm Harley (Chairman)

Norman Davis

Jane Evans

Jane Rose

Annabel Hayter

Ann Watkins

Donald Peach

Apologies : John Leask

David Bubb

Sue Knox

Surgery Representative Caroline Charles

1. Welcome and Apologies .

The Chairman opened the meeting thanking all who were present .

The list of apologies as listed above was noted .

2. Minutes of last meeting held on the 3rd May 2017 .

Subject to the deletion of reference to Social Prescribing the minutes were approved as being a fair record of discussion . Proposed for acceptance by Norman Davis and Seconded by Jane Rose .

3. Matters Arising .

- **Patient Access :** Caroline explained that the design was a National system and consequently could not be changed or modified by the Surgery .
- **Website :** Members who had perused the service agreed that the facilities were very helpful . Sue will give an update on any proposed improvements at the next meeting .
- **Defibrillator Maintenance :** It was agreed that the respective Parish Councils should be consulted regarding annual servicing arrangements . More information / advice will be sought from the equipment suppliers and/ or South West Ambulance Service .
- **Defibrillator Training :** It was noted that a seminar organised by The Community Heartbeat Trust , demonstrating the use of defibrillators and how the equipment works , would be presented by the Trust at Corse and Staunton Village Hall on Tuesday , 25th July at 7 pm. It was hoped that the Seminar would be well attended .

Surgery Update .

Caroline gave an update on various initiatives including the planning of an extended service to include dossette boxes and the delivery of medicines / prescriptions to housebound and vulnerable patients who were experiencing physical or mental difficulties .

Caroline also referred to this coming winter's flu clinics stating that alternative arrangements were being considered . These included the possible extension of the times for the Clinic at the Village Hall to cater for patients to receive their injections after their working day . Saturday mornings were also being considered .

Reference was also made to the car park problems experienced last year as a result of the late arrival of the Doctor . A backup Doctor arrangement was now being considered .

The service provided by the new pharmacist Temi Adeshina was also discussed and it was hoped that more patients would avail themselves of this valuable assessment which examines and reviews those patients that use five or more prescribed medicines .

Caroline reported that the Saturday morning surgeries have been cancelled by GDOC with immediate effect . As a result Monday evening surgeries would only operate for the next few months. The decision was made by CCG because Saturday appointments were underutilised .

The Surgery is negotiating with CCG to provide the equivalent service independently and it is hoped to have this in operation by 1st October . This will enable Saturday surgeries to be reinstated . When the new service begins the Monday evening and Saturday morning will be available for both urgent and routine appointments . As a result the existing extended hours (early morning) surgeries on Tuesday and Thursday will cease as there will be a provision for patients to obtain out of hours routine appointments during both an evening and weekend surgery .

Nurse Maggie Etheridge spoke about healthy lifestyles and handed out a pamphlet produced by Healthy lifestyles Gloucestershire .

Regarding staff changes it was reported that Rachel Jacques had been replaced by Tracey Connelly .

4. Correspondence and Meetings .

Correspondence received and meetings attended by Members was noted .

5. Summer and Winter Newsletter .

Since no report to the contrary was available it was assumed the David was successfully compiling the newsletters.

6. Any Other Business

The Chairman informed the meeting of queries posted in the suggestion box . These included a question as to why drug manufactures did not use identical boxes for the similar drugs . Caroline stated that they had no control over the suppliers .

Comments were also made regarding the layout in the foyer and in particular the table arrangement on which news / information was normally distributed .

After discussion it was agreed that the present arrangement , while not ideal , was nevertheless the best option .

7. The Date and Time of Next Meeting .

The next meeting will be held at the Surgery on Wednesday 6th Sept at 12 noon .This will be a Group only meeting .