

Attendees:- Sue Tribe, Suzanna Van Schaick, Justyna Pawlaczyk, Derek Huett

Due to a glitch in communications, the normal Meeting notification was not sent out, resulting in only 4 of us attending.

In future, members will receive notification of the next meeting some weeks in advance and then a reminder a couple of days prior to that meeting.

We welcomed Justyna, our new Practice Manager, to our meeting. This proved beneficial to both parties with Justyna making an excellent impression on us all.

We discussed the increased number of patients registering with our surgery. It may be that there is an issue at another surgery and as Elmswood is highly regarded, they are seeking to join us.

Our current relationship with our PCN was discussed. Our main contact in the PCN has moved to another position. Our Chair then emailed Dr Crowe who is based at Hucknall and has a position in our PCN.

His response was lacking so our Chair went to the lady above him with another email. That appeared to have raised some concern and she responded. However, the person she suggested we then contact is on holiday, so we are once more on hold.

We discussed the current situations of the other surgeries in our PCN. A number of them do NOT run PPG meetings, while some of them have very irregular meetings. Hucknall, the largest surgery in our PCN, falls into that category. Last year we visited every one of those surgeries. Justina has given us the names of the current Practice Managers and we will re-visit them in the next eight weeks.

It appears that we may be seen as a thorn in the flesh by some in our PCN. However, we believe it is vital that patients have a voice in the changes that are being made within our NHS.

Although Elmswood does not administer Covid vaccinations and most people will have already had information from the NHS, it might be useful if we let our patients know where they can be inoculated.

A list of local pharmacists might suffice.

However, on Saturday morning we did successfully carry out our annual Flu vaccination for all patients requiring it.

Finally, because we believe it should suit our members, we have decided to move our Wednesday evening meeting to a Monday evening. Thus, our next two meetings will be on Monday 6th November at 6.30 pm and thereafter Friday 8th December at 2pm.

Hi everyone

If you have any issue with the above, "glaring omissions" or "hostages to fortune", please let Sue know and she will "correct" them!"

