LAKESIDE MEDICAL CENTRE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

Minutes & Action points of Meeting Held DATE 9th August 2017

Present: Marie Wright (MW) Katie Mackintosh (KDM), Jane Oakley (JO), Barbara Boxley, (BB), A.J. Serzin, Alison Holland, Ken R. and Andrew Sankey

Topic	Discussion	Outcome/Actions	Target Date	Responsible Person	Completed (Date)
Apologies					
Minutes of previous Meeting.	Minutes were read and approved.				
Matters arising.	PADDS – MW said that another date would be arranged possibly for the next meeting. Update 23.02.17 – should be coming to the next meeting. Update 04.04.17 – MW is still trying to arrange but they are currently recruiting new members and will be in touch with MW soon. Update 16.05.17 – The next PADDS meetings will be on the 3 rd June and 1 St July. We are still waiting for a date when someone can come to PPG meetings.	arrange date for PADDS to attend the PPG meeting	16.05.17	MW	Ongoing
District PPG	The draft minutes have been published for the last District PPG meeting. Breast screening update was mentioned as above. They are looking to develop face to face engagement. Getting people more involved. More information to follow. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 27 th July. Update 08.08.17 – MW was not able to attend last	PPG encouraged to attend next meeting in September.			Complete

	meeting on the 27 th July. The next meeting will be in September and we will inform the PPG when we have the date. Update: Next DPPG will be held Thursday 5 th October 2017 at 10.30am. If you would like to attend, Please contact Marie to inform group of your attendance				
	The breast screening was discussed at the last District PPG but there is no update as of yet. Other matters discussed at the PPG meeting included Producing education materials for new Clinical roles in the GP surgery such as Advanced Nurse Practitioners, a				
	number of the surgeries have started producing Newsletters which Lakeside have been doing for a while and some of the local PPG's have raised money for equipment in the surgeries. Our PPG thought this might be				
	a good idea and may look into doing the same for this surgery. The closure of Perton Clinic was also discussed at the Meeting. We have taken on some of the services from Perton Clinic, but we were not able to take them all due				
	space issues. Services have also been relocated to the library at Perton or Codsall clinic. MW has raised concerned about the closure of the clinic with SSOTP and if anyone is having any special issues with this please let				
Talkal 25	her know.		44.00.47	1/524	
Telephone Message / Options	We have changed our telephone options, to make them simpler. We now have fewer options on the list and we also inform patients that they will be asked details of their condition. We do this to ensure that they are being	contact service provider for the online booking service and check if	11.08.17	KDM	Ongoing
	signposted to the best service for their condition and they	this can be changed			

	do not need to say if they do not wish to. As we may be	to exclude urgent,			
	able to deal with some queries over the phone or signpost	catch-up and			
	patient to our pharmacist or nurse, we are then ensuring	blocked			
	that the doctor's appointments are given to those who	appointments.			
	most need them. Feedback from patient who had used the				
	system since the change was positive.				
	It was brought it to the attention of the group that the app				
	to book appointments gives you options to book Urgent,				
	Catch-up or Blocked appointments. This is incorrect as we				
	do not offer the facility to book an urgent appointment				
	on-line and the other two slots should not be bookable at				
	all.				
Friend and family	We have scored a little lower this month than last, but not				Complete
	by much. We again said that we have a problem with				
	people who rate us poorly not giving feedback or contact				
	details and encouraged everyone to do so as negative				
	feedback can be worked on if we have enough				
	information.				
National patient survey	This is an annual review for all the surgeries in the	include link to	11.08.17	KDM	Ongoing
	country. There has been a general downturn in patient	National patient			
	satisfaction this year. As a surgery we are above average in	survey when			
	some areas and below in others. We have compared this	sending out			
	year's results to previous years and combined with patient	Minutes.			
	comments and the Friends and family test we are using				
	this date to see how we can improve our services. If				
	patients have ideas about how services can be improved				
	we are open to suggestions.				
	LINK TO SURVEY: https://gp-patient.co.uk/				

Other matters	Concerns were raised about the length of time it is taking		
	to get an appointment at the surgery. This issue has been		
	raised by several patients and they said that it has become		
	especially bad in last 6 month but there are has not been		
	an increase in patient numbers or the age demographic of		
	the patients. The surgery is aware of these problems are		
	we are putting things in place to try and bring down the		
	waiting time for patients. We do have more clinical		
	appointments available now that in the past as we have		
	additional appointments available with the pharmacist		
	who can take on some of the workload from the doctors		
	as she can deal with many minor ailments and issue		
	prescriptions. In addition to this the surgery has started		
	asking patient why they are coming to see the Doctor to		
	ensure that they are signposted to the most appropriate		
	service, such as a nurse, pharmacist, a Telephone		
	consultation or an outside agency such as A&E when		
	appropriate. This should ensure that we are making the		
	best use of the Doctors time. Although patient numbers		
	have not increased, demands for appointment have		
	increased recently leading to a shortage and although our		
	waiting time are longer than they used to be, we are still		
	below the national average for waiting times.		
	We do have same day appointments available for patients		
	with urgent matters and we ask patient if they feel they		
	need to be seen urgently that day to try and contact the		
	surgery as early as possible. We also find that the numbers		
	of patient missing appointment is having an impact on our		
	waiting times so ask patient to please try and cancel	 	

	appointment if they are not required. The practice are constantly reviewing waiting time figures and are committed to lowering the waiting times for patients. If patients have any suggestions which they feel may help, they are welcome to contact the surgery.		
	The wait for appointment and follow-up appointment was raised as an issue. As a surgery we do not currently track hospital appointment or letters for patient, although if patient come to us with specific problems we can either contact the hospital or provide them with the right details of who to contact (depending on the situation) to get appointments chased up. Issues with Hospital waiting times or appointments which have not been made, can be raised directly with the department or if it is an ongoing issue it is best to contact PALS who deal with patient complaints within the hospital as they have the most impact.		
Meetings for 2017	19 th September 31 st October 12 th December		
Next Meeting	Tuesday 19 th September		