

Kiveton Park Medical Practice Participation Group

Wednesday 16th October 2013

Present: Marilyn White, Susan Wietscher, Jean Hirst, Dr Derek Say, Marsha Raynes, Ron Law, John Brabbs, Keith Emsden, Sarah Wyle, Barry Winterbottom

Apologies: Brian Daniels, Richard Nayar, Charles Hazle, Gary Schofield, Linda Bainbridge, Chelsea Kaine

Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

Introductions: Ron Law asked if the group would introduce themselves as he didn't know members of the group. Introductions were made.

Treasures Report: No change to the bank account, no monies added or withdrawn and a balance of £225.00 was still showing in the account. BW

Progress on promoting the group: The group said this was on going. JB asked if the council could put a link in on their website to the surgery and to the group. This was agreed. RL asked if the group had done any promotion. The group told him they had already done: Carers week, Physical activities day, promotion of the group on prescriptions and were looking at advertising the group in one of the local magazines.

Contact with the schools: BD not at the meeting so no progress to report.

Progress on developing the Patient Questionnaire: MW said that she made the alterations from the last meeting and MR had tried to take a copy from MW's computer, but had experienced technical problems. MR said that she had passed the paper copy on to LB so that CK could type this up. LB and CK were not at the meeting so MW or MR unsure of the progress.

Plans for the future new housing build: John Brabbs from the council explained the following:

Councillor J M Brabbs of Wales Parish Council gave a brief insight into the new housing and industrial developments in the area.

The old method, called section 106 monies which is negotiated between the borough and the developer generally went into a central pot and was used borough wide. It only applied to developments of fourteen or more homes on one site but the new Community Infrastructure Levy applies to all dwellings, industrial and retail establishments, whether new, infill or extensions and is applied at £30.00 per square metre of ground floor space in our area.

It should be operational by October 2014 but would be paid in instalments of 25%, 50% and 25% on a given timescale. It could take up to two years after the completion of a development for all the money to come through and it must be spent on new infrastructure, not on upgrading existing roads, paths, schoolrooms or libraries.

Although, the 15 year plan allows for 286 homes and some industrial developments if the option is not taken up by a developer there will be no funding available.

Any funding delivered will be apportioned in the ratio of 85% to RMBC and 15% to Wales Parish.

Rotherham would like to keep the lot and spend our 15% on 'agreed infrastructure'. The majority of the town and parish councils in the borough are against this idea as past experience shows that the town centre takes preference.

New from the practice: DTS said the practice was looking at cost savings with staff as funding had not increased over the past four years. DTS said that the practice was looking at EMIS ACCESS for patients over the next couple of months. This would enable patients to book appointments, part register and order prescriptions on line.

A.O.B. MW said that she be attending a meeting in Rotherham with Helen Wyatt and would feed back the outcome to the group.

Next meeting: Wednesday 20th November 2013