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Handsworth Medical Practice – Patient Participation Group

Minutes of the Meeting held at Handsworth Medical Practice on
Tuesday 15th May 2018 at 18.00 - Chaired by Sue Harbour

1.	Present: In Attendance: Observer: From the Practice:	Sue Harbour Loraine Toynton (Vice Chair) Bridget Robinson (Secretary) Gill Tofts (Treasurer) Noel Hayes Pat Murrell Laura Bellotti John Glover Brian Robinson (BPR) Zuby Skinner Zia Rehman (Part) Michael Asbury – Health Champions Jim Sarginson – Chingford Locality Rep Josie Camplin Dr Imran Kazi	Action
2.	Apologies for Absence:	Senka Zulic Sue Sandell Ann Hunter –Virtual Group	
3.	Minutes of the AGM held on 19 th March 2018 were approved.		
4.	There were no matters arising from the AGM minutes.		
5.	Health Champions. Michael Asbury from the Health Champions (HC) joined the meeting and gave a brief description of their remit. The HC were set up by Altogether Better and South Bank University and HMP had been chosen to participate. The group is made up of patients with specific illnesses and the aim is to provide information to patients in the Practice. It was agreed that it would be helpful for both the PPG and HC to work together on various projects. The HC has no funding but the Practice provided them with an Urn and Cups for the recently held coffee morning where local pharmacies had been invited to come along and talk to patients. The HC had contacted Tesco's who had		

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	<p>offered sponsorship for their recent meeting.</p> <p>The PPG are welcome to attend the HC meetings.</p>	
6.	<p>(a) The gardening group had met to discuss the way forward. VT was not at the meeting but a note prepared by SH had been circulated. It was agreed that the gardening group would meet at the Practice on Tuesday 22nd May at 13.00 to try to make a start on the garden at the front of the Practice and the inner corridor areas.</p> <p>It was agreed that funds could be used to buy soil, etc. and once we have sponsorship these funds could be returned to the PPG.</p> <p>(b) Now that we have the Gold Award and photographs BR and LB to approach Tesco's for sponsorship. MA from HC to give the details of the Tesco contact to BR.</p>	<p>VT/SH GT/PM BR/BPR. ZS John an Nora Glover</p> <p>BPR/LB MA</p>
7.	<p>Well Woman / Well Man Day. SH to talk to Health Watch. JC suggested that local pharmacies should be invited along with the Practice Nurse to take Blood Pressure, Cholesterol levels, weight etc.</p> <p>It was agreed that this project should be undertaken with the HC and should take place sometime in September. NH and LT agreed to liaise with members of HC and Health Watch and arrange a meeting sometime in June to start the process of organising the Day/s.</p>	<p>SH JC</p> <p>LT/NH</p>
8.	<p>Mapping Exercise. It was mentioned again that perhaps the primary school in Handsworth Avenue could be approached to involve the children in a competition to produce a tree on which could be hung the details of the different community associations, local transport, dentists, nurseries etc.</p>	<p>JC/SS</p>
9.	<p>Additional Survey of Students. SH had not had any response from Handsworth Senior School. JC to speak to SS about a contact there.</p>	<p>JC/SS</p>
10.	<p>AOB</p> <p>SH to attend a PPG Forum on Wednesday 16th May where the phlebotomy situation in the Borough was on the agenda. There was again discussion about the new set up for blood testing and how it was very bad for the elderly who do not have access to computers and also to others who do not have access to smart phones and cannot pre-arrange an appointment. SH to report back on the findings of the Forum</p>	<p>SH</p>

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	<p>NH mentioned a NHS photographic exhibition to be held in Lloyd Park on 4th June.</p> <p>Production of the Newsletter. It was agreed that SH and BR would sit down together to try and produce the newsletter and that once achieved that perhaps LB could design the finished article.</p>	<p>SH/BR</p> <p>LB</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>Date of next meeting – 11th September 2018.</p> <p>The meeting finished at 19.00</p>	<p>ALL</p>

Bridget Robinson