

# Patient Participation Group

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2021

**Present:** Gary Cunliffe Practice Manager (GC)  
Ann Lewis Patient Services Lead (AL)  
Peter Leedale Patient (PL) – (Chair) – via Microsoft Teams

**Apologies:** Deborah Morgan Patient (DM)  
Stephen Gomersall Patient (SG)  
Marjorie Willoughby Patient (MW)

## **Informal Meeting – first meeting since February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – meetings postponed due to COVID-19 Pandemic**

Peter Leedale has been attending the PPNG Meetings via Teams since their re-introduction earlier this year. Highlighted that other surgeries in the area are still in the same position where no PPG members are meeting at the moment. Issue surrounding Chronic Diseases and how patients are still waiting to be seen, GC highlighted that Bloomfield Clinicians have been seeing patient face to face from the start of the Pandemic.

## **Practice Manager's Update**

### **Covid Vaccinations**

Bloomfield was involved as part of the PCN to carry out the Astra Zeneca vaccinations for the patients – dose 1 and 2. Initially the vaccinations were carried out through Marton, where all the patients from the PCN were invited to have their vaccinations.

Our PCN has opted out of the booster vaccinations – patients are going to vaccination sites in the local area.

Housebound patients are being seen by an external team – the lists have been generated by us and being carried out at the moment.

## **Staffing Updates**

Dr Alison Rees has left the practice – she is currently doing her Masters (she comes into surgery occasionally to see patients who need Coils/Coil changes)

Dr Mark Walker has retired – doesn't come to Bloomfield but does some work at Urgent Care.

Dr Paul Collins has been made a Partner at the surgery – he initially came to us as an ST3.

Dr Janet Pollock has retired but comes back to work 2 days at the surgery.

Dr Liam Rees and Dr Helen Moore have joined us as Salaried GP's

Dr Senna Aslam (who was an ST3 with us) is currently on Maternity

Daniel Cuffe – Advanced Clinical Practitioner – also comes from a Physio background so can deal with MSK and acute presentations (funded through the PCN)

Nurse Juliet Schofield and Nurse Emma Bolton have unfortunately both left.

We are currently recruiting for nurses to replace Juliet and Emma. We currently have a gap in relation to our Chronic Disease patients.

Michael Hughes – Pharmacy Technician is joining us – he too is funded through the PCN.

We now have a Cancer Co-ordinator on site – Beth Tierney – she deals with recent cancer diagnoses and supports patients through their cancer journey. She works at Bloomfield once a week on a Friday.

We also have a Health and Wellbeing Worker – Dylan Stewart – who works alongside the Social Prescribing Team (run by Citizen Advice).

## **Grange Park Updates**

Refurbishment has been carried out to improve services at Grange Park. There will be 7 Clinical Rooms available on site. This will help spread services over the 2 sites. We are aware that some Bloomfield patients are reluctant to go to Grange and vice versa.

A discussion was had around the PPG group going up to Grange Park Surgery to chat with patients about the services available across both sites.

## **Staff and COVID-19 Vaccinations**

It was discussed that members of staff who come face to face with patients will need to have the COVID-19 vaccination, this will become mandatory for any member of NHS staff carrying out any CQC regulated activity. Staff will need to have had their first vaccination by the 1st February to ensure they are fully vaccinated by the April deadline.

**Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – 5.30pm at Bloomfield  
or via Teams**