

Patient Participation Group Meeting

Date: 4 March 2026

Present: George Nuttall, Colin Pickles, Pauline Barlow, Jackie Stevens

Apologies: Anna Connelly, Dr V Kelly, Graham Mussell, Barbara Wilson, Anna Smith, Sharon McDonald

1	Health and Safety Fire Evacuation Point	PB reiterated evacuation/meeting point	
2	Patient access to appointments	Small discussion about appointments generally	
3	Flu Clinics	Funds raised discussed. Number of vaccinations given was considerably less to previous years. Partners/Managers to discuss possibility of going back to old system or shortening appointment slots to 1 minute.	
4	Treasurer's Report	Not discussed due to lack of Treasurer at meeting. There was mention about having to obtain a receipt for the air fryer which was a prize in the previous prize draw. PB confirmed that this was purchased by her and was donated with no need for reimbursement. A request was made to the PPG if they would consider purchasing a set of baby scales. This was agreed. Probable cost around £200.	
5	Blinx	Meeting advised that new Blinx system has been found to not be fit for purpose. A Blinx representative was attending the surgery today to try and iron out any issues. General discussion about Blinx and discussion brought to an end with confirmation that not currently moving forward with it and no date as yet for it to commence.	
6	75 & Over Health Check	Dr B Bokhari joined the meeting and spoke to the group about an upcoming health check which the surgery were running. She shared a quick presentation to the meeting. There are around 91 patients identified who have not been seen at the surgery in the last 12 months. Discussion about advising patient by either text or letter for the 30 odd patients who have no mobile number on their records.	

7	Any Other Business	<p>Noted that the surgery has recently been decorated. PB gave appreciation to the George and Colin attending today.</p> <p>Colin advised that Barbara Wilson has spoken to him and given notice of her intention to leave the group. PB confirmed to the group that Dr Mather is leaving in April. The practice are interviewing for her replacement – will either be 1 or 2 GPs to take over her hours.</p> <p>PB asked about any fundraising – it was agreed that it was too late to do anything for Easter and Colin advised that unfortunately insufficient PPG members/volunteers to run any events/raffles.</p> <p>Finally Colin advised that he has been doing the PPG for 25 years and feels it is time to step down from his role as Chair. He confirmed he will attend the next meeting to see if anyone would be agreeable to take over (subject to having attendees) and would be happy to do a formal handover at that time.</p> <p>Unfortunately even if no replacement found he would still be stepping down and leaving after the next meeting.</p> <p>The next meeting date was agreed and it was agreed that the meeting would take place in the evening at 5.30 to try and encourage more patients to attend.</p>	

Next Meeting : Wednesday, 13/5/26 @ 5.30pm