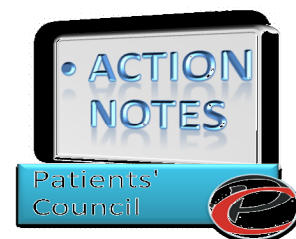


**NE Sector Greater Manchester Patients' Council
27th May 2009, 1 – 4pm, Middleton Masonic Hall**



Present

Anna Sidebottom
Barbara Allen
Dave Sweeney
David Cartwright
Elizabeth Lynsky
Gareth Thompson
Hazel Healey
Jean Frankell
John Eastwood
Marie Douglas
Olwen Fish
Paul Mainwaring

Rosalind Abbott
Rosemary Donnelley

In attendance

Gemma Cresswell
John Deakin
Kirsty Thompson
Liz Aston
Martha Raferty Fisher
Nicola Crosby

Apologies

John Ruane
Mick Ainsworth
Pat Walmsley
Ray Howlett
Ray Mallinson
Saeed Anwar
Sue Curzon
Sue Wallis
Vera Tansley

1. Apologies

As above.

2. Notes of the previous meeting

The notes of the meeting held on 29th April 2009 were approved.

3. Matters Arising

See updated action tracker (May 09).

4. Council Business

Commenting on PCT documentation – Members were reminded that when proof reading documents this must be ratified by other members of the council to give approval. Any future documents that are given to members for reading must be sent to Liz Aston to distribute to other members of the group.

Behaviour at meetings – Members were reminded that when attending public events as a representative of the Patients' Council they must act in a polite and proper manner and not interrupt people giving presentation but to wait until they have finished and ask at the end.

Manifesto – A small working group consisting of; JE, PM, DS, BA, MD and EL has met to produce a Patients' Council manifesto. John Eastwood is currently pulling together a document for all members to read and approve.

Action: Supply all members with a copy of the Patients' Council Manifesto for their perusal and approval.

Action: Arrange a press launch in relation to the Patients' Council Manifesto inviting local MP's from all political parties to attend and adopt in their next round

ACTION

**John Eastwood
Liz Aston
24/06/09**

Paul Mainwaring

of political elections.

5. Healthy Futures Update

Healthy Futures Transport Group Update

A copy of the Transport Vision Document is due to be submitted to the Reconfiguration Programme Board for their approval to endorse the model of having a free bus linkage service from the four hospital sites which will operate with 16 buses in rush hour and 8 at all other times. The outcome of this will be reported to members at the June meeting.

Healthy Futures Roadshow

Roadshow Schedule – Members were supplied with a copy of the final Roadshow Schedule on 21st May by post and e-mail and were requested to send in dates that they could attend.

Roadshow Rota – Members were given a copy of the Rota which John Deakin had produced from members that had given dates of their attendance.

Healthy Futures Magazine – A copy of the final version of the magazine was distributed to all members for their information and to read prior to attending the Roadshow. Whilst on the Roadshow members were asked to refer to page 12 of the magazine which gives details on services changes the dates of which may change as this is an indicative timetable.

Roadshow Guide – Members were also given a Roadshow Guide which gave details on; protocol, out of pocket expenses, attendance, taxi bookings and useful contacts whilst out on the Roadshow. Members were advised to work in two's at all times on the Roadshow and to take regular breaks. All Roadshow events commence at 10am and finish at 3pm. Members requested meeting point locations for Roadshow events.

Action: Send a list of all Roadshow locations with exact meeting points.

Facts and Questions – The Q & A leaflet is currently in production and will be ready for the official opening of the Roadshow.

Action: Forward a copy of the Q & A leaflet to all members for their information.

Hospital Site Visits – Members were advised that a number of hospital site visits would be taking place. Marie Douglas has attended some previous site visits and this will be recorded on the diary of events page on the Patients' Council website.

Action: Produce a monthly update on hospital site visits.

6. Making It Better Update

A presentation on birth centres was given by Debbie Garrod who works for Stockport NHS at Stepping Hill Hospital.

No update from the MIB Programme.

7. For Information

Members were advised that NHS Oldham have obtained funding for an Epilepsy Nurse

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John Deakin
03/06/09

Paul Mainwaring
12/06/09

Gemma Cresswell
Monthly

and it was suggested that a letter is sent to NHS Oldham congratulating them for this.

Action: Send a letter to NHS Oldham congratulating them on the appointment of an Epilepsy Nurse.

**Paul Mainwaring
24/06/09**

8. Future Events

JSNA Workshop – Members were advised that the following people were booked on to attend this workshop on 22nd June; PM, BA, DC, RA.

Open Event of the new Children's Unit at North Manchester – Members were informed of an open event of the new Children's Unit at North Manchester General Hospital which is on 28th May at 5-7pm. All members wishing to attend will meet at the main entrance.

9. AOB

No other business.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 24th June at 12–4pm at the Masonic Hall. Agenda items and apologies to Liz Aston (liz@patientscouncil.org.uk or 0161 766 9323) 17th June 09.