

DEVON LOCAL PHARMACEUTICAL COMMITTEE

Actions arising from the meeting held on 16th August 2011

Action Required:	By Whom:	Status:
1/694 – NMS – Send out lists of proposed attendees	Sue	Completed

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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 16th August 2011 at Deer Park

Members in attendance:

David Bearman	Kevin Muckian
Nerys Cadvan-Jones	Karen O'Brien
David Chapman	Stephen O'Reilly
Nigel Gray	Tony Perkins
Andy Lawson	Brenda Taylor
Michael Lennox	Adrian Tebby

In Attendance:

Sue Taylor – Chief Officer
Mark Stone – Project Pharmacist
Kathryn Jones – Secretary

1/683 Apologies for absence:

Paul Stevens (Prior engagement), Brenda Taylor (Work Commitment). Steve Budden and Chris Naidu did not give their apologies.

1/684 Welcome and Introductions

David Bearman welcomed everyone to the meeting and in particular Adrian Tebby who had taken the CCA vacancy following Simon Gardner's resignation. Adrian had also agreed to be Vice Chair of the LPC subject to ratification by the members. The meeting unanimously agreed.

1/685 Register of Interests

There were no changes to be made to the register. Adrian Tebby had completed a form recently.

1/686 Minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2011

Minute 1/681 New Medicines Service should read "The New Medicines Service is coming into effect on 1st October 2011 and only has two years to prove that it works and creates substantial savings to the NHS". Following this alteration, the minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2011 were signed as a correct record.

1/687 Matters arising from the minutes

1/682 – Minor relocation Totnes – Boots, Appeal by Morrisons

The LPC response had been sent to the Appeals Authority.

1/688 Finance Report

A verbal report was given to the meeting by Andy Lawson.

1/689 Draft Annual Accounts

Members of the Finance Sub-Committee had met and approved the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2011. Members of the LPC received copies of the accounts. It was noted that the LPC daytime meeting expenses had cost £16857.83 during the year. The net surplus of income over expenditure for the year was £4696.73. Members agreed unanimously to accept the accounts.

1/690 Secretariat Report

Devon DAAT Drug Treatment System Development Group

It noted that although there had been some gaps in service provision identified, DAAT would need to look at the current provision before moving existing services from some pharmacy

providers to 100 hour pharmacies. There had been no complaints regarding the pharmaceutical services currently provided.

1/691 Community Pharmacy & Public Health

It was reported that the Plymouth Healthy Living Pharmacy bid had been successful and would be part of the national pathfinder scheme. The NHS Devon bid had not been successful, but had been a close contender. James Glanville will be leading from the PCT, along with Kevin Elliston and Mark Stone and will be open to all pharmacies in Plymouth. Kevin Elliston will support the pharmacy staff in terms of training and will tie in with the public health survey. The Plymouth Herald is mounting a "Love Life" campaign for 2011-12, and will be promoting healthier lifestyles to the population of Plymouth. James Glanville has already contacted the Herald and there is interest in linking in with the HLP pathfinder work. The healthy Living Pharmacy service has to be ready by 1st April 2012. The training provided will be the RSPH NVQ2 course in Understanding health improvement. The downside is that only ten pharmacies out of fifty two can be part of the pilot. A selection process will have to be undertaken by either running an engagement event or by expressions of interest. This could be a door opener for future services from public health funds.

1/692 Diabetes

The public health campaign for Diabetes in Torbay will be run in conjunction with Diabetes UK and will focus on early risk assessment. Members felt that the training and public health campaign should be moved to January 2012. Sue agreed to check if this would be possible.

It was reported that the valuation of the skin cancer campaign had better outcomes than expected, and showed that putting additional support in place improved the staff engagement with patients and customers.

1/693 Public Health Survey – Devon & Cornwall

It was reported that Kevin Elliston from Public Health in Plymouth had worked with Devon & Cornwall LPCs to undertake a pharmacy baseline survey. The report had been written up with recommendations and had helped to secure the Plymouth Healthy Pharmacy bid. Once the report is finalised it will be forwarded to LPC members.

1/694 New Medicines Service

Members were given a brief outline of the proposed service and the events being planned by the LPC in September.

Action: Send out spreadsheet of proposed attendees to LPC members

SW Regional Project

It had been agreed that the seven SW LPCs had agreed to work collaboratively to ensure all contractors sign-up and make the most effective use of resources available. At the last LPC meeting it had been agreed to allocate £500.00 to support the development of a business case. The business plan had been produced, and five out of the seven LPCs in the region had signed up to support the collaborative. Gloucestershire and Devon LPCs had expressed reservations about the proposed costs of the project and had sought to gain further information to be sure of value for money for our own contractors. A meeting had been held with the core project team to discuss the spiralling costs for the first phase of implementation. Agreement had been reached for a more cost effective and streamlined case which has now been agreed. The cost to Devon LPC will be £10 per contractor, to help the roll out and support for contractors to implement the new medicines service. A review will be taken in the new year to ascertain how the project is rolling out.

The members of the LPC applauded Sue for all her hard work.

The new figure of £10.00 per contractor was agreed by the LPC.

1/693 Pharmabase

Gary Warner, a director of Pharmabase and PSNC member had met the three PCTs earlier in the day. The discussions had been a vast improvement on the presentation held in May. He had highlighted the benefits and pointed out that the New Medicines Service reports have to be sent electronically to PCTs. EHC and Supervised Consumption modules are now live, the NMS is being signed off next week and. Already thirty seven PCTs are live on Level 2 of Pharmabase. PCTs were reminded that they only pay for each contractor claiming through Pharmabase. The PCTs went away to consider what they had heard and make a decision about whether or not to sign up to PharmaBase sooner rather than later.

1/694 Any Other Business

LPC Daytime Meetings

David Bearman asked members to consider what issues should be covered at the next daytime meeting, particularly around the LPC work plan.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

The next LPC meeting will be held on 16th September 2001 at Deer Park starting at 9am

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