

DEVON LOCAL PHARMACEUTICAL COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17th January 2011 at Deer Park

Members in attendance:

David Bearman	Kevin Muckian
David Chapman	Karen O'Brien
Simon Gardner	Stephen O'Reilly
Nigel Gray	Tony Perkins
Andy Lawson	Paul Stevens
Michael Lennox	Adrian Tebby

In Attendance:

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

1/604 Apologies for absence:

Steve Budden, Nerys Cadvan-Jones, Brenda Taylor.

1/605 Register of Interests:

There were no changes to the Register of Interests.

1/606 Minutes of the meeting held on 30th November 2010

The minutes of the meeting held on 30th November 2010 were signed as a correct record.

1/607 Matters arising from the minutes

1/594 NHS White Paper and political lobbying

A number of responses had been received to the letters which had been sent, contact with MPs is on-going. The LMC are aware of the LPC activities with regard to MP meetings.

1/595 Locality Work – Hospital Discharge

Steve Budden to find out contact at RD&E hospital –ongoing.

1/595 Locality Work

A date has been agreed for the presentation to the Sentinel Board (NHS Plymouth).

1/595 Locality Work: Collate evidence of problems in North Devon – information to be available for meeting with Kate Maynard on 24th January – No report received from Chris Naidu.

1/600 Plymouth – Doctor's Chemist: Send out letters to Chief Executives, and all GP practices, highlighting concern of the LPC and local contractors

Letters have been sent, an advert had appeared in C&D for pharmacists to work for Doctors Chemist. No response had been received from the PCTs.

1/601 Outcome and performance measures – meeting to discuss how pre-regs could collect outcome measures – Kevin Muckian to make contact with Nerys Cadvan-Jones

GP Commissioning Group: Meetings are in the process of being set up to meet all the groups.

1/608 Finance Report

A verbal report was given to members.

IT Support Contract

A new IT support contract has been agreed with Bluegrass who undertook an audit of the hardware and software used. A new PC has been ordered for Mark and new anti-virus software installed. Once all the work has been undertaken on upgrading software, the monthly fee will be slightly less than the previous provider. It may be necessary to upgrade the server in the next financial year.

Michael Lennox asked if payment for work undertaken by members could be an agenda item at the next meeting, and also a written finance report presented at each LPC meeting.

Andrew Lane spoke to the meeting about the Cost of Service Inquiry. Price Waterhouse have still not presented their report on how the cost base for community pharmacy in England is built up. Any email queries should be sent to Andrew lane.

Hypothecated Levy 2011/12

Kevin Muckian raised concerns regarding the hypothecated levy which had been presented at the PSNC conference. He had sent an email to PSNC and received a defensive response. He raised further queries at the meeting, as he is unsure where the data would go and who owns any profit generated. Andrew Lane took advice during the meeting, and informed the LPC that where there were profits, they would be ploughed back into pharmacy. For Devon LPC the annual charge was likely to be in the region of £17,000.00. This figure remains to be confirmed. Andrew Lane advised the meeting to continue to raise questions around governance through the Secretariat.

1/608 Contractual Matters

New premises 100 hours a week exemption, VCL Ltd, Regal House, Saltash, Cornwall

The standard LPC response to 100 hour applications had been sent to NHS Cornwall & Isles of Scilly PCT.

New premises 100 hours a week exemption, Boots UK, Kingsteignton

The standard LPC response to 100 hour applications had been sent to NHS Devon.

Relocation of Lloyds Pharmacy, Marlborough Street, Plymouth to Marlborough Street Surgery site, Damerel Close, Plymouth.

A site inspection had been made and a verbal report was given to the meeting. The Control of Entry Sub-Committee had considered the application and a response had been sent to NHS Plymouth. The LPC response felt that the application should not be granted as it was neither necessary nor desirable within the neighbourhood.

1/609 Secretariat Report

Members received the Secretariat Report.

1/610 Public Health SW Conference

David Bearman felt it would be beneficial to the LPC to organise a conference for the key stakeholders who are unaware of public health services delivered by community pharmacy and the future potential. He considered that such an event would get buy in from Local Authorities; target audience would be councillors, lead councillors, portfolio holders and would demonstrate what pharmacies do, what they can offer. He was unsure whether it should be a regional or peninsula event working with other LPCs. David Chapman felt an event should be with our immediate neighbouring counties and at a lower level. Members asked the Secretariat to find out what other events were taking place that the LPC could be

involved in, particularly keeping an eye on the key players. A report to be made to the next meeting.

1/611 LPF – Discussions on merging the LPC forums with the RPS LPFs

Following the last LPC meeting at which representatives from the RPS had attended, work had been undertaken to ascertain if the LPC could merge the locality forums with the RPS. A conference call had been held with Leanne Denton from the RPS who had indicated that resources would be available, as well as CPPE tutors. Funding for three or four sessions per forum would be available. Several members were concerned that non members of the RPS would be unable to attend and clarification needs to be sought from Leanne Denton regarding this.

Action: Invite Kate Roland from CPPE and Leanne Denton to a future meeting.

1/612 Long Term Condition Pathway developments

Mark Stone gave a verbal report to the meeting. A meeting had been held with Diabetes UK to promote the idea of developing a MUR resource for community pharmacists along similar lines to that produced by Asthma UK and PSNC some time ago. Diabetes UK were interested in the idea, and a project plan was being designed by the LPC and Sanofi Aventis who had agreed to support the work.

1/613 Risk Register

Mark Stone outlined a plan for the LPC to hold a risk register, which would highlight potential risks to community pharmacy and be reported on regularly. An example was given of the Plymouth Walk-In Centre for Supervised Consumption which would impact on pharmacies across Plymouth.

Action: Maintain Risk Register and add as a standing item in LPC papers.

1/614 Any Other Business

NCSO - Kevin Muckian informed the meeting of problems his company are having with NCSO reports, and he is concerned that it was not designed for the way it is currently being used. He also queried who controls the system.

Action: Raise his concerns with PSNC.

EPS2 - NHS Devon An application has been made to the Secretary of State to go live in August. Plymouth is ready to proceed, initially with small groups of GPs and pharmacies.

Controlled Localities – NHS Devon Following the PNA consultation the reviewing of maps is currently being undertaken with NHS Devon and the LMC. Two areas, Abbotskerswell and Heathfield are likely to go out for formal consultation to determine rurality.

Cancellation of Locality Forums – The forums for Exeter and Plymouth have been cancelled, the next ones will take place in May.

The date of the next meeting will be held on 15 February 2011 at Larkbeare House, Topsham Road, Exeter starting at 9.00am. The main event would be an influencing skills workshop facilitated by Threshold Communications.

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