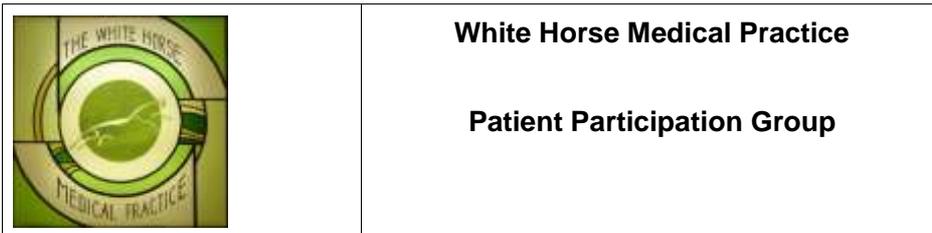


PPG Minutes for the Meeting of 01 December 2020



MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 01 December 2020

Online Zoom Meeting

Attending for WHMP:

Graham Hall - GH (Chair and minutes)
David Owen-Smith - DO-S (CEO)
Angie Sammut - AS (Zoom Host)
David Burn - DB
Gene Webb - GW
Marian Hall - MH (also minutes)

Attending for Botley PPG, by invitation:

Sylvia Buckingham - SB (Chair)
Chris Sugden - CS (Deputy Chair)
John Ashton - JA

Apologies:

Dr Masterman (Clinical Director, WHMP/Botley PCN)
Ann Feather (Botley)

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	Minutes	Action
1.	Welcome	
	GH welcomed all to the meeting, explaining that the Agenda had been shortened to concentrate on essential matters and to comply with the one hour time limit for a 'no charge' Zoom meeting.	
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting - Not applicable	
	We shall review the previous Minutes when we are able to resume the normal cycle of meetings..	
3.	Agenda for this meeting	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) An update from the Practice on all aspects of concern about Covid 19. 2) Preparations for the forthcoming Vaccination Programme. <p>In the event, these two items were combined.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3) The proposal to provide Vitamin D tablets for all vulnerable patients. 4) Update on retirement celebrations for Dr Gavin Bartholomew and Dr Anna Douglas. 5) Any other relevant matters. 	
4.	<p>Minutes</p> <p>Items 1) and 2)</p> <p>DO-S said the major current preoccupation for the WHMP/Botley Primary Care Network (PCN) was the question of where the vaccinations will be given for each of the Practices. It had not proved practicable to use one location only (which would have simplified the situation, if we were to be working with the PfizerBioNtech vaccine).</p> <p>It is probable that Botley will use the Kennington premises.</p> <p>The WHMP building is potentially large enough for its own patients but this would have required the temporary displacement of other patient services.</p> <p>DO-S had found two separate nearby disused buildings (with a total of about 4000 sq. feet) located behind the Esso filling station on Park Road. The initial estimate is that WHMP will need to vaccinate 4,400 of its total 17,500 patients. Two vaccinations are required for each patient, making a total of 8,800. Present indications are that the vaccine is unlikely to be available in quantity before the start of January 2021.</p> <p>The anticipated order of priority for vaccination is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Care home residents. (There are five homes in the WHMP area with a total of 350-400 residents.) b) Carers working in care homes. c) NHS front-line staff (65 in WHMP). d) Patients aged 85+ (no number quoted). <p>WHMP is one of two practices in Oxfordshire which will use two locations. Resuscitation equipment will be taken to these locations, in case of need.</p> <p>Two vaccines are expected to be available soon, from two separate suppliers, as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) PfizerBioNtech: which must be transported and stored at -70 degrees Celsius in containers holding a total of 975 doses, in trays at a cost of £35,000. These may not be opened more than 4-5 days before use, without loss of viability. Only hospitals have 'fridges which can store vaccines at the required temperature. (Since the meeting, this vaccine has been approved by MHRA, the Medical and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency. The NHS has asked them to examine whether doses can be removed from the trays with a longer gap before vaccination commences. b) AstraZenica: more user-friendly than Pfizer. It comes in individual ampules and can be 	

<p>stored at between 5 and 8 degrees C in ordinary fridges. It costs about one quarter of the Pfizer product.</p> <p>The government has already ordered some 40 million doses of vaccine.</p> <p>Our PCN might get either or both of the above vaccines. No guidance has yet been given by the NHS on the procedure for vaccination. However, patients must wait for 15 minutes after their vaccination and may not drive themselves home.</p> <p>GH asked whether it was true that NHS England was to be dissolved. DO-S replied that this was most unlikely until the vaccination programme had been completed.</p> <p>GW asked if PPG members would be able to assist with the vaccination programme, e.g. with car parking and internal 'marshalling' of patients. DO-S said this would be most helpful.</p> <p>CS said he expected his wife would be able to assist with vaccinations.</p> <p>It was suggested that the Faringdon town circular bus should call at the vaccination centre</p> <p>Since the meeting, DB has suggested that some of the contacts whom Emily Norton had made for the aborted local Health festival might also be able to help in various ways.</p> <p>'Flu jabs had been given at the rate of 400+ per day.</p> <p>Item 3)</p> <p>Doctors would write Vitamin D prescriptions for vulnerable patients if this plan went ahead.</p> <p>Item 4)</p> <p>Dr Batholomew and Dr Douglas both came to the Practice on their respective last working days. DO-S said they were wished well by those present on those days - no doubt suitably socially distanced!</p> <p>DO-S mentioned that Dr Simon Cartwright would be retiring on 06 January 2021 and that he is the last of the original three Partners of the Practice.</p> <p>Item 5) Other relevant matters:</p> <p>a) AS said that two new doctors had recently joined the Practice:</p> <p>Dr Natalie Ashman and Dr Amy Palluch</p> <p>Their details would be on the new Practice website by 31 December</p> <p>b) This prompted GW to ask for an update on progress with the website, which AS said she would provide. The websites of the two Practices would eventually have an integrated design. The name of Ant (?) was mentioned without explanation of his/her role in the matter.</p> <p>Item 6)</p> <p>No date was set for a future meeting. GH thanked everyone for attending and their contributions. The meeting ended promptly just before 3:00 pm.</p> <p>Circulation:</p> <p>All attendees as above, and other members of both PPGs. Office copy for each Practice A copy to be placed on the websites of both Practices</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>AS</p>
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