



6th September 2021 7.30pm

Virtual meeting via Zoom

Attendees: Steve MacDonald (Chair), Alison Sarson, Martine Blaser-Smart, John Schultz, Keith McPherson, Sue Peters, Tanja Conway-Grim, Libby Looseley (Practice Manager), Elodie Lanworn, Jenny Daniels

Items:

1. Welcome

Steve opened the meeting and welcomed the group.

2. Apologies

Sally Slyfield

3. Flu Vaccination Clinics

SM informed the meeting of the following: -

The plans for both of the flu clinics this year have been circulated and there are only minor changes from last year. Battle Health Center's clinic will have 3 clinicians giving vaccinations (up from 2 last year) there will be an increase in patient throughput equating to 1 person vaccinated by each clinician per minute.

For Battle (18th September) both SM and AS will be on holiday, however MBS has agreed to lead marshal support to the practice on the day. Battle Muffins will be assisting by providing marshals and SM is liaising with Muffins Peter Parry on arrangements. PPG members will also be supporting the marshaling.

For Robertsbridge (25th September) , SM will lead the marshaling on the day, with Helping Hands providing marshals . PPG members again indicated they could assist.

SM thinks that this will be a very busy clinic, with 4 clinicians administering vaccinations using the same throughput of one vaccination per minute per clinician as Battle.

JD asked if there was any news about the delivery of the vaccine, as the National Press had indicated there had been some problems with supply. LL stated the vaccine was due to be delivered on 8th September.

LL also confirmed that the target cohort for vaccinations is those aged 50+. However there had been some problems with the messaging system (now resolved) and some PPG members stated they had either not received an invite or had had problems making booking. LL stated she would check if the 50-60 cohort were being invited as AS stated she had not received an invite.

KP suggested a slight change to marshal position 4 at the Battle clinic – the need being greater inside than outside the door. SM's view was this could be a decision made by the marshal on the day, but that an outside position was preferable from a 'Covid secure' perspective.

SM will mail PPG members re availability for both clinics (Update – done and some responses received).

LL stated Battle clinic set up time would be 7.30 am on Saturday morning, tea and coffee would be provided and for marshals (SP will bring biscuits), and spray chalk to place social distancing marks.

4. Update from practice (LL)

Covid boosters - no news from scientists yet, the priority group may get 3rd vaccinations in September, but no details as yet.

New building – the Practice are still awaiting confirmation from the CCG board meeting on 28th September. LL stated she had been trying to get an answer for some time. SM offered to write direct to CCG on behalf of the PPG, which LL indicated might assist. (Update – the decision does not need to go before the CCG Board

Urgent Care Centers - the Think Twice campaign had omitted a number of the urgent care centers in the Hastings area from the county map. There is an urgent care center within A &E at The Conquest Hospital, which causes confusion. The comms team are currently working on a revision to the published list and map.

LL also gave details of a forthcoming NHS campaign about patients being kind to staff. She did however state, that with one or two exceptions, the patients at both surgeries are not the target of this campaign and are all polite.

5. Update on Walking for Health

Volunteers need to finish their training, suspended due to Covid. SM to contact Lorna from Walking for Health to see if this can now be progressed.

SM will also circulate details of walks he has recce'd with Richard Hazell.

6. Events

AGM - The PPG AGM now scheduled for 1st November and will be held on Zoom

a) JD gave details of events organised by HAIR

21st September - Staying active

5th October- Coping with change

5th October Making information accessible

14th September Dela Warr , Bexhill - Rother event - Ageing well in 21st Century

7. Patient Issues

None raised.

8. AOB

MB A lot of very positive feedback re Dr Ed and paramedic Warren

SM will contact Sue Prochak to ask to attend meeting on 5th October re information accessibility.

SM asked to attend Monday lunch club – this was provisionally arranged last year but delayed due to Covid.

TCG told the meeting about a new social enterprise aimed at supporting young people starting in Hurst Green at the Post Office cafe , called Elevate –

<https://elevatecreates.co.uk/the-proposal>

LL asks that the project are seeking feedback on the proposals and invited members to use the link to find out about the project and offer their views.

Next meetings – AGM (all Zoom unless otherwise shown)

Next meeting: Monday 29th September at 7pm

AGM: Monday 1st November at 7pm

Following Meeting: Mon 6th December

