# STONY MEDICAL CENTRE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

# Minutes of PPG meeting held on 10th September 2018 at 10.15am

**Present:** Judith Williams (Practice Manager), Sue Graham (Chair), Gillian Thompson, Crad Allerton, Philippa Prescott, Angela Turner

**1.0 Apologies:**. Daphne Jones. Angela Aaronson, Joan Crossan.

# 2.0 Minutes of last meeting

It was agreed to publish the minutes of the last meeting on the website.

# **Matters Arising**

**Deanshanger Buses** - JC has written to the local MP - Andrea Leadsom who sent a vaguely supportive reply but didn't actually offer to do anything. JC also received a reply from Northamptonshire County Council suggesting that an alternative bus route would be to go into Central Milton Keynes and get a bus back out to Stony Stratford.

PPG discussion followed where it was suggested that informal posts on social media offering lifts might be useful but was recognised that older users who need transport may also be those not on social media.

This applies to Yardly Gobion and Cosgrove as well. It was further suggested that a Parish Council representative may be able to co-ordinate transport offers and needs.

We should keep transport issues on the agenda - maybe the Medical Centre could collect names of people requiring transport where it is aware of them.

## 3.0 Primary Care Home Update

A bid for funding to develop Case Management roles within our cluster has been submitted to BLMKSTP. We wait to hear the outcome.

Case management is designed to ensure patients receive care and support appropriate to their needs from the correct person at the right time. To date support for patients has typically originated from the GP however with Case Management running patients will be supported by a variety of professionals all under the banner of our PCH cluster.

#### 4.0 Flu Vaccine

Vaccinations can be given by pharmacists and are free if the person qualifies, as under the NHS. It is worth checking that the vaccine is the same as would be available from the Medical Centre.

Protection from the vaccine do not last indefinitely and so patients are advised to wait until End Sept/Early October before having a flu jab to maximize protection throughout the whole flu season.

This year over 65s should have Fluad vaccine and under 65s (in other at risk groups) should have Quadravalent vaccine.

Flu Clinics are on 6th October and 10th November 8am - 12pm

## 5.0 Pharmacy to You

If patients have received a mailshot from Pharmacy to You they should know that Pharmacy to You have not got contact details from Stony Medical Centre.

The medical centre will send prescriptions to Pharmacy to You if patients nominate them as their chosen pharmacy (in the same way that they are sent to any other pharmacy).

# 6.0 Opticians

Local opticians are able to do treatment and issue prescriptions and can be used as the first port of call for eye problems. They can also refer patients to GPs and the Hospital

# Meeting finished at 12.00

Next Meetings - 22nd October (if necessary), 3rd December 10.15am

# **Glossary of Terms**

BLMK STP	Bedford Luton & Milton Keynes Sustainability and Transformation Plan
CNWL	Central & North West London NHS Foundation Trust
	providers of community nursing & Mental Health services in MK
LTC	Long term condition
MKCCG	Milton Keynes Clinical Commissioning Group
	Commissioner of health services for Milton Keynes
NAPC	National Association of Primary Care
NHSE	NHS England
	Governing body
PCH	Primary Care Home
PCH Cluster	Primary Care Home Cluster
	Our cluster is made up of Stony Medical Centre & Watling Vale Medical Centre