

The Ranworth Surgery

Patient Participation Group (PPG)

“THE PATIENT’S VOICE”



**PPG Meeting held at the Kennedy Way Medical Centre
Thursday June 22nd**

Present:

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| Steve Cole | SC | Vice Chairman Ranworth PPG |
| Lisa Scott | LS | PPG Member |
| Rosemary Fellowes | RF | PPG Member |
| Gary Fellowes | GF | PPG Member |
| Jane O’Shea | JO | Ranworth Practice Manager |
| Tony Cannon | TC | PPG Member |
| Mick Greenslade | MG | PPG Member |
| Dr F Shamshad | FS | Ranworth Practice |
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| 1.0 | Welcome: S.C. welcomed everyone to the meeting, and he explained that as Keith Beaman was unable to attend, he had been asked to chair the meeting | |
| 2.0 | Apologies: S.C registered the names of Keith and Monica Beaman and Carol Cannon as unable to attend because of health issues, and the Group wished them both a speedy recovery The Chairman (Keith Beaman) has also received a message from Katy Hutchinson stating that she will no longer be attending PPG meetings for personal reasons. | SC |
| 3.0 | Acceptance of the Minutes of the previous meeting on Feb. 2nd 2023. The minutes were accepted as a true record. TC asked about the integration of the PCN and Practices, as we he was unclear as to the relationship between the two. FS suggested that he looked at the Ranworth Website as there was relevant information signposted there, which explained how the two organisations work together. The PCN covers Ranworth, Caradoc, Green Elms, Kennedy Way and Nayland Drive practices. | ALL |

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| <p>4.0</p> | <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>A) Update of events regarding the development of a new surgery for Ranworth – Presented by FS</p> <p>Firstly, FS thanked TC and CC for hosting a meeting with Giles Watling. The possibility of Ranworth moving to a site at Clacton Hospital has been in discussion for the last 7 years, and there have been a lot of issues. Things have been very quiet post covid, hence it was felt that we should involve Giles. Giles was sympathetic and contacted the I.C.B., although the Practice did not here back from the MP. Shortly afterwards FS received a phone call from the head of the Primary Care I.C.B. who stated that the funding was available provided that a GP practice moved into the premises. The Rent was discussed, and this could be reimbursed to the practice, but there was a major problem in that the practice would have to pay for Service and Facilities Management. These fees were very high, and could possibly significantly rise year on year, and FS felt that he was unable to commit the practice to these unknown costs as it made the deal commercially unviable. So, unless the I.C.B. come back with a proposal that helps with these service charges, but still allows the practice to be the sole occupier FS will pull out of the negotiation. Should this be the case it is unlikely that The I.C.B. will allow the practice to move to new premises, and so the only option would be to investigate the possibility of building an extension to the existing premises. Builders have been consulted and are looking at adding 4 new clinical rooms as a first-floor extension to the rear of the building and enlarging the waiting room. This would solve the immediate problems, extend the useful life of the building for another 10 years, and allow the practice to become a Training Practice once again. FS also mentioned that the PCN has now moved out of the hospital, because of the cost, and are now located at Kennedy Way</p> | <p>FS</p> |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>B) Review of Ranworth Times</p> <p>Copies of the Spring 23 edition were handed out. The overall Impression was that this was well produced edition, easy to read, but full of useful information. The article on Self Care was very interesting and FS commented that Self Care was quite common in the older age groups, but not so common in younger groups, and wondered how we could get the message across to younger patients. The Lung Health Checks have been taking place for two months, starting with patients of 75 with a history of smoking,</p> | <p>All</p> |

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| <p>4.</p> <p>4.</p> | <p>and are now calling patients of 73 to fill out a questionnaire to see if they are eligible for the Lung Health Check. FS commented that as well as looking for signs of lung cancer, the test also picks up heart conditions and is a very useful tool.</p> <p>C) Tendring/Colchester PPG Liaison Group. SC was sorry to report that this group no longer meets as the ICB were not responding favourably and obviously do not want any input from the group. TC commented that this was typical of the ICB as they did not like public involvement.</p> <p>D) CQC Inspection – no further news. The Inspection was expected in December, but nothing happened, but FS says that the practise is all ready for the inspection</p> | <p>SC</p> <p>JO</p> |
| <p>5.0</p> | <p>Any Other Business</p> <p>No Other Business</p> | <p>SC</p> |
| <p>6.0</p> | <p>Date and venue of Next Meeting: Sept 21st – 2 PM at Kennedy Way</p> | <p>SC</p> |

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