

# **WHITEMOOR MEDICAL CENTRE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP (PPG)**

## **ANNUAL REPORT 2016**

Completing the 2<sup>nd</sup> year as Chair of the group has once again been a privilege and I thank all members of the group along with Partners, doctors, nurses and administration staff for their support during the year.

4 new members joined during the year bringing our total membership to 26.

### **Key achievements made during 2016**

- Supporting the Practice during the QCQ Inspection.
- Continued support in an effort to improve patients accessibility to appointments.
- Support in helping to reduce the number of lost appointments by patients failing to attend.
- Producing and distributing 3 newsletters during the year.
- Supporting the Practice at Flu clinics - in excess of 2,000 patients attended.

### **During the year the following presentations were made to the group**

- Caroline Gilby, Acting Chief Operating Officer, and Shirley Houston from Derbyshire Healthcare Foundation Trust.
- A member of the PPG on the history and information available from AA (Alcoholics Anonymous).
- Andrew Skeggs and Sharron Perdesi from the Clinical Research Study on research projects in GP Surgeries.

### **Meeting with Garry Thompson, Chief Officer – Southern Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group**

MP Pauline Latham, OBE, chaired a meeting at the Surgery attended by members of the Belper 5 Group of Surgeries to voice concern on the future of Minor Injuries and the future of plans for healthcare in Belper.

### **Joined up Care Derbyshire – Derbyshire Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP)**

The full submission was issued on 21<sup>st</sup> October and made available to the public on-line via the CCG website. Further consultations with PPG and the general public are planned in the New Year.

Finally on behalf of all PPG members I would like to put on record our thanks to Carol Rice, Deputy Practice Manager, who is leaving the Practice at the end of the year. During my two years as Chair Carol has been an excellent support both to me and to our members and we all wish her every success in her new appointment.

## **Annual General Meeting**

The group AGM will be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Under the general rules of the group after serving for two years the posts of Chair and Secretary are up for election. Any nominees for these two positions to be forwarded to Tim Skinner seven days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

Vice Chair, Tony Harrison, has only completed one year in office and this post is therefore not up for re-election.

Wishing you all a Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

**Barry Peden**

**Chair - Whitemoor PPG 2016**

**December 2016**