

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAYBUSH PPG HELD ON 1st SEPTEMBER 2021

PRESENT – John Barnsley (Chairman), Louise Gregory (Practice Manager), David Covell, Paula Fulcher, Margaret and John Laister, Wendy Linley, Ray Watson (Secretary).

MINUTES - the minutes of the meeting held on 18th November 2020 were approved.

APOLOGIES – Sheila Berriman, June Collinson.

COVID – Louise gave a summary of the practice's experience of the pandemic:

- Staff have gone through the worst eighteen months of their careers. Some vulnerable staff have been away for six months. It has been a challenging period of high demand when staff have worked harder and longer than they have ever done before.
- Some patients have refused to accept that the practice has been under severe pressure. Tolerance has been required from patients and it hasn't always been forthcoming. Some patients are still attempting to abuse the system.
- Some Maybush staff have been temporarily redeployed at the Trinity covid assessment unit. Some staff have also been redeployed in vaccination units. Some staff have come out of retirement to help.
- Maybush have developed their own covid assessment unit. If a GP sees a covid patient, they are then sent home for the rest of the day. The room then has to be thoroughly cleaned and the GP has to clean his/her clothes even if they have been wearing the full PPE kit.
- Things are settling down somewhat. 1000 patients per seven days is now 500 patients per three days.
- See the BMA 'Support Your Surgery' campaign. More funding is desperately needed. Also see YouTube video 'If I die, it will be your fault'.
- Re booster jabs. Likely to start in September and be a single jab available to the 65+ year old patients and the vulnerable. Which vaccine? Co-administered with flu vaccine? Mass vaccination clinics or surgeries?

FLU VACCINATIONS

- Louise said they were planning to do these vaccinations on Saturdays throughout October and on November 13th.
- The plan is: October 2, 9, 16 – over 65 yrs. Oct 23 – under 65 yrs. Oct 30 and Nov 13 – mixed, mop up operation.
- Three people will be needed from the PPG for every session. Ray to co-ordinate. **Ray**
- Pneumonia vaccine will be given at the same time, where appropriate.

STAFF CHANGES

- Two new receptionists – Amy, Vicky
- Two new GPs – Dr Harris, Dr Siddiqi. One GP is on maternity leave.
- Trainee HCA in position

CITY FIELDS DEVELOPMENT – Louise felt that there would be a stand-alone surgery on the estate.

AOB

- Maybush is happy to accept placements to help to develop new people,
- The Maybush website has had a facelift. Louise said the comments from PPG members would be welcome.
- John advised that pre-pandemic our two Asian members have been absent for some considerable time. We need Asian representation on the PPG.
- Maybush carries out video appointments! These are actuated by the GP.

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NEXT MEETING - the next meeting will be held at the practice on Wednesday 6th October at 3.30pm.

The meeting closed at 4.50 pm.