

LANGDON HILLS MEDICAL CENTRE

MINUTES OF PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

25TH APRIL 2014

Present:	Julie Coker	Lesley Street
	David Coleman	Pam Coleman
	Geoffrey Parker	Elizabeth Parker
	George Lee	Betty Lee
	Dr. B. Salako	David Thomson
	Diane Osborn	

J.C. opened the meeting and welcomed George and Betty Lee as new members of the group.

Trevor Taylor, Christine Dawson, Tim Young, Denise Fairbairn and Joy Beecham all sent their apologies as they could not attend this meeting.

J.C. welcomed D.T. to the meeting who introduced himself to the group and explained his position and the role of the SEMC and CCGs. In the absence of Tim, D.T. reported on the last SEMC meeting.

Discussion took place around the fact that Practices are allotted £5 per patient on weighted list size thus putting our Practice at a disadvantage as our weighted list is approximately 20% below our actual capitation.

There will be a one off payment available for Practices to spend on commissioning services. Discussion is taking place around the Practices in SEMC amalgamating in order to pool resources. Bringing Surgeries together will give better patient care and help avoid unplanned admissions.

The intention of the Stroke Services being moved to Southend is being looked into further due to public and clinician pressure. BTUH has been provided with £1m to help improve the Stroke Services in the short term.

The situation with the Pain Clinic at Orsett Hospital being the furthest away from the car park is still being looked into. The possibility of the Pain Clinic being situated at Basildon Hospital is also being looked into.

G.L. asked if there will be a new car park built on the land where the old college was. The answer was no and the group raised concerns over the new houses which are to be built. The general consensus was that authorities should be considering how the new influx of residents are to be accommodated within the NHS service.

B.S. informed the group that there is a new Service for Dementia in the Community. J.C. informed that Munday House has been closed and would still like to be able to give help to Dementia carers in the form of coffee mornings/discussion groups.

Marguerite asked the group if they had encountered any problems with parking outside the Practice. She informed them that there are ongoing difficulties with the public parking in the doctors/disabled bays. She is looking into this and will be contacting the local school to bring this to the attention of parents through the school newsletter.

D.O. informed the group that Dr Adenaike, Marguerite and some of the receptionists will be taking part in the Race for Life again this year. All donations will be gratefully received.

J.C. closed the meeting at 3.00p.m. The next meeting is 27th June 2014 at 1.00p.m.