Westdale Lane PPG Meeting September 26th 2018

Present: Alan Bexon, Margaret Hicking, Brian Beardsmore, Malcolm and Pauline Ely, Francis Henman, Lynne Franklin, Joyce Kerry, Alison Sturgess and Paula Watts

Apologies: Sam Smith

Chairman Welcome and news:

Alan welcomed Alison Sturgess who is a new patient at the surgery and has a background of working in hospital and in G P practice. Alan reported that the PPG Forum said that huge economies had been made from not prescribing Paracetamol and other over the counter medications. A system of locating lost Dementia patients put forward by the Herbert Protocol Group, and run by the Police is hoped to save lives. In the additional opening hours at weekends and evenings 15minute slots will be allocated. Tony Pitman will be joining the next PPG meeting,

Minutes- Matters arising.

The planned extension is still awaiting approval from the relevant authorities. Part paid for by the Council and part from the NHS to provide infrastructure to cover the new housing in this area.

The out of hours to cover Tuesday till 8pm and Saturdays and Sundays has commenced. It is provided on a rota between the local GP practises and is booked online through your own surgery.

Practice Managers report Francis asked if it would be possible to provide a newsletter for the surgery. Paula said that if the PPG would like to do it that was ok but it would need to be done regularly as it would be out of date quickly. He also gave a vote of appreciation for the ‘Drop in’ service. There are 20 people working at the practice some part-time and all with different roles within the team. There are two new salaried GP’s one starting this week and the other very soon.

Joyce Kerry attended a meeting of the Greater Nottingham Transformation Partnership on 13th September at the John Godber Center. The minutes are available [www.GreaterNottinghamTransformation.co.uk](http://www.GreaterNottinghamTransformation.co.uk)

AOB Malcom suggested a questionnaire for patients. He will meet with Paula to draft the questions (10) before the next meeting. Joyce thought there were too many posters in the surgery. Also questioned the parking situation which depended on goodwill to be used appropriately

Alison said that some PPG’s do Coffee Mornings etc. Idea’s welcome.

The next meeting is 22nd November at 6,30 pm