



Cleveland Local Medical Committee

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Minutes and report of the meeting of the Cleveland Local Medical Committee commencing at 7.50 p.m. on Tuesday, 20 March 2012 at Norton Education Centre, Norton, Stockton on Tees TS20 1PR.

Present:

Dr D Donovan (Chairman)	Dr W J Beeby	Dr J-A Birch
Dr I Bonavia	Dr J T Canning	Dr G Daynes
Dr D Donovan	Dr K Ellenger	Dr R J Gossow
Dr J Hameed	Dr M Hazarika	Dr R McMahon
Dr H Murray	Dr T Nadah	Dr R Roberts
Dr N T Rowell	Dr O Sangowawa	Dr P Singh
Dr M Speight	Dr S White	Dr C Wilson

In attendance: Ms J Foster : Development Manager
Mrs C A Knifton : Office Manager

12/3/1 APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Dr A Bonavia, Dr S Burrows, Dr S Byrne, Dr G Chawla, Mr S Doyle, Dr C Harikumar, Dr M Hulyer, Dr H Lamprecht, Dr R Mudalagiri, Dr S Singh and Mr G Wynn.

12/3/2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 January 2012

These had been circulated to members and were **AGREED** as a correct record and duly signed by the Chairman.

12/3/3 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There were no matters arising.

12/3/4 HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE BILL - Update

The Bill had its final hearing in the House of Lords today; it will now go for Royal Assent. There will be 2 CCGs in Tees as from April 2012 with two localities in the north (Hartlepool / Stockton) and three localities (Middlesbrough / Eston / Langbaugh) in the south. The Interim Chief Officers for the two CCGs had been appointed: Ali Wilson for North and Amanda Hume for South. PCTs looking at giving more power to CCGs from April 2012 to allow them to work in shadow form. PCT still holds statutory duty. CCGs working towards authorisation and considering at what time it would be appropriate for each to go forward for authorisation as there are 4 waves to choose from. CCGs are struggling in terms of election candidates. It is vital that all GPs get involved and give their views to CCGs as it is important that GPs voices are heard. CLMC is about to undertake a CCG communication survey and urges all GPs to

complete the survey to let the LMC know what GPs think about the communication and engagement within CCGs, to inform the decision-making process of CCGs.

A South of Tees Transitional Leadership meeting had recently taken place where it had been recognised that any communication should go to GPs, not via the Practice Managers.

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12/3/5 MOTIONS TO LMC CONFERENCE – deadline 26 March 2012

Rachel McMahon **AGREED** to write a motion suggesting BMA looks at withdrawal from clinical commissioning.

It was **AGREED** that a motion on length of GP training and appropriate funding should be put to Conference together with a motion for funding the Local Education Training Board.

Other suggested motions to conference were:

- That this conference which represents all GPs in the UK and mindful of recent events over the Health and Social Care Bill, re-asserts the position of the Conference and the GPC as the only representative bodies for NHS General Practitioners in the UK.
- That this conference believes that GPs should not be asked to provide reports to patients claiming DLA or AA and demands that Q19 and the associated notes on form DLA1 are redrafted to make it clear that reports should not be sought from a GP prior to making a claim.
- That this conference condemns the misuse of the Data protection Act by insurance companies and demands that the Information Commissioner takes appropriate action.

The Secretary undertook to phrase motions and the Committee authorised the Officers to agree the detailed wording for submission before the deadline of 26 March.

Dr Canning left the meeting

12/3/6 GP DEFENCE FUND – 2012 LEVY

The levy will remain at 5.75p per patient and will be £33,350 for 2012 based on patient numbers provided in late 2011.

NOTED.

12/3/7 REVIEW OF ATTENDANCE ALLOWANCE & MILEAGE wef 1 April 2012

Members are currently paid £45.00 per hour Attendance Allowance (Tax and NICS to be deducted) with allowances being linked to DDRB increase, and 45p per mile Inland Revenue Rate.

It was **AGREED** to follow this formula for 2012.

12/3/8

TEWV – CONSULTATION on IMPROVING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE IN STOCKTON-ON-TEES *Document attached*
Communication from Sarah Clasper, Head of Communication and Engagement Consultation period is from 8 February 2012 to 9 May 2012

"The purpose of this consultation is to seek the views of local people on proposed changes to the way Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV) provide mental health services for older people in Stockton-on-Tees.

Over recent years we have seen significant developments to specialist mental health services for older people. In line with the national dementia strategy our aim is to make sure that, where possible, people receive the care they need in their home environment. TEWV have reduced inappropriate admissions to hospital and removed delays in the assessment and treatment processes so that patients get the care they need as quickly as possible.

In Stockton-on-Tees this work resulted in a dramatic decrease in bed occupancy at Lustrum Vale (the 22 bed inpatient unit for older people) and enhanced community services. At the end of June, with only one patient on the ward, we decided to temporarily close the inpatient unit and since the beginning of July 2011 we have admitted patients to Roseberry Park in Middlesbrough.

We have closely monitored and reviewed the impact of this change on the people of Stockton-on-Tees. The information we have collected demonstrates that it is working well and we now propose that this change becomes permanent.

This will not only enable us to save money but, more importantly, to further improve mental health services for the people of Stockton-on-Tees. We will continue to invest in our community teams and move other services into Lustrum Vale so that we make best use of a modern, purpose built inpatient facility.

Formal consultation has now started and we welcome your views on our proposals and any issues that you feel we need to consider.

We would welcome feedback on the following questions:

- 1. What do they need to consider in permanently transferring services previously provided at Lustrum Vale, Stockton-on-Tees to Roseberry Park, Middlesbrough?*
- 2. How can they support patients, carers, families and friends to access the service at Roseberry Park?*
- 3. How can they ensure that they make best use of the Lustrum Vale facility going forward?*
- 4. Do you have any concerns or suggestions about this proposal?*

Responses can be submitted in writing to: Communication and Engagement, FREEPOST NEA9906, Middlesbrough, TS2 1BR or by email to: mynhstees@nhs.net.

A North Tees member commented that patients were worried at the change to Middlesbrough facilities when North Tees was on their doorstep. Another member said patients wanted to be seen locally; North Tees & Hartlepool were supposed to be linked; why were patients not being moved to Sandwell Park at Hartlepool instead of Roseberry in Middlesbrough? It was pointed out that transport from Thornaby to Hartlepool was difficult by bus, whereas Thornaby to Middlesbrough was easier. Bed capacity at Roseberry Park could reach critical levels at weekends.

GPs affected by this change in service were asked to respond to the survey either in writing (address given above) or direct to the mynhstees@nhs.net website by 9 May 2012.

Concerns / comments made included:

- Why was Lustrum Vale not on ICE?
- Why could Lustrum Vale not organise ECGs?
- Was there any need for Lustrum Vale?
- Practice being asked to do bloods and ECGs for younger patients – practice had refused.
- Practice being asked to do a range of tests by a consultant wanting to monitor a patient
- Who takes clinical responsibility for the tests?

NOTED.

12/3/9

GP APPRAISAL

Communication from Dr Di Jelley, Clinical Lead for GP Appraisal North East Primary Care Services Agency and the Northern Deanery

"We are about to launch a web-based booking system to enable all GPs in the NEPCSA area to book an appraisal with the appraiser of their choice - an expansion of the website that has been used very successfully in North of Tyne for the past three years . You will soon be sent an email from the new website, asking you to log on and set a password to enable you to access the site and book your appraisal for 2012-2013. On the website you will find profiles of all NEPCSA appraisers who offer appraisals in your area . You can have the same appraiser for up to three appraisals in a five year revalidation cycle .Some appraisers will be from outside your local area but who are prepared to travel to carry out appraisals in different areas. You will only be able to book an appraisal in your birthday month . If you are unable to have your appraisal in your birthday month eg due to maternity or sick leave, please complete a deferent form which can be found on the website.

Please note that all appraisals must be booked via this website - you can contact an appraiser about doing your appraisal informally, but once agreed you MUST go onto the website and formally request an appraisal with this person, and they MUST accept this request.

Using an electronic system is the ONLY way we can keep track of 2500 GPs with a very small administrative team. Your appraiser will only get paid if the appraisal is logged on to the website. Your Responsible Officer can only see that you have engaged in the appraisal process via the website data base. So please respond promptly to the email request to log on to the website. We will be sending out emails to GPs with birthdays from April to June initially, and then the remaining quarters of the year in sequence.

Please note that GPs with April birthdays will have relatively little time to set up an appraisal because there have been some unavoidable delays in getting the system ready to take bookings. If your birthday is in April, it would be really helpful if you could make contact informally with one of the appraisers on your local list and set a date for April, so that you know when your appraisal will be . When the website goes live you can then go on and request this appraiser. This is an interim arrangement just because of the slight delay in the website going live -we apologise for this. It is recommended that unless you have had the same appraiser for 3 years, in which case you must change, you arrange your appraisal with the same appraiser as last time."

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12/3/10 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES**12.3.10.1 Late Lab results @ Pathology, JCUH : Tuesday, 20 March 2012**

The Secretary had attended a meeting at JCUH earlier that day together with NDUC, Dr Drury and PCSA regarding problems OOH with lab results. It was agreed that people requesting results should provide up-to-date demographic information and clinical history if felt to be helpful to the result outcome. Community Nurses should attempt to get blood tests to the lab earlier in the day, perhaps by using additional pick up points. NDUC have no access to the Spine or ICE.

It was **AGREED** that the Secretary would write to the PCT responsible for overseeing OOHs to ask for this to be dealt with.

12/3/11 MEETINGS ATTENDED BY LMC SENIOR OFFICERS (since LMC Board Meeting on 17.01.2012)

24.01.12	JET/CCG meeting @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
26.01.12	Vaccs & Imms Strategy Group @ Redheugh House – Janice Foster
31.01.12	JET/CCG meeting @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
01.02.12	LMC/CCG leads meeting @ Holiday Inn, Washington – Danny Donovan / Julie Birch / Janice Foster
02.02.12	Meeting with Richard Rigby re Chaloner Ward / District Nursing @ Guisborough – Julie Birch / Janice Foster
07.02.12	JET/CCG meeting @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
09.02.12	M CCG meeting @ MTLC – John Canning / Janice Foster
09.02.12	Equitable Access Information Mtg @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
09.02.12	Meds Management Mtg – Julie Birch
09.02.12	NHS Tees/CCGs/LMC @ Teesdale House – Julie Birch
09.02.12	BMA Regional Council @ Holiday Inn, Washington – John Canning
20.02.12	Meeting with Stephen Childs & Chris Willis – John Canning / Janice Foster
21.02.12	JET/CCG meeting @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
23.02.12	QOF Steering Group @ Sunderland – Janice Foster
28.02.12	Hearing @ Sunderland – Janice Foster
06.03.12	JET/CCG meeting @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
07.03.12	NT Practice Managers Meeting @ Thornaby – Janice Foster
07.03.12	LMC/Negotiator Regional Roadshow @ Washington – Danny Donovan / Julie Birch / Janice Foster
08.03.12	Meeting with Ali Wilson re PCSA & CCG @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
13.3.12	JET/CCG meeting @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
15.3.12	Patient Group Meeting @ Dovecot Surgery – Janice Foster
19.3.12	GP Enhanced Service Review with Andrew Rowlands @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
20.3.12	JET/CCG meeting @ Teesdale House – Janice Foster
20.3.12	Late Lab results @ Pathology, JCUH – John Canning

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12/3/12 ANY OTHER NOTIFIED BUSINESS

There was no other notified business.

12/3/13 RECEIVE ITEMS**12/3/13.1 Medical List****Applications:**

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Partnership</u>	<u>Practice Area</u>
1.4.12 <i>Status change from Salaried GP to Partner</i>	Dr A J Mehta	Gladstone House Surgery	H PCT
1.3.12 <i>Salaried GP.</i>	Dr S K Shinwari	McKenzie Group Practice	H PCT
4.4.12 <i>GP Returner.</i>	Dr A J Thomas	Bank House Surgery	H PCT
1.4.12 <i>Change in Status from Salaried GP to Partner.</i>	Dr J McKenzie	Havelock Grange Practice	H PCT
1.4.12 <i>Change in Status from Salaried GP to Partner.</i>	Dr D P Sunkavalli	Chadwick Practice	H PCT
1.5.12 <i>Partner</i>	Dr S Peddinti	Marsh House Medical Practice	S PCT
1.4.12 <i>Change in status from Salaried GP to Partner</i>	Dr G Dharendra	Woodlands Family Medical Centre	S PCT
1.2.12 <i>Salaried GP</i>	Dr E J O'Loughlin	Tennant Street Medical Practice	S PCT
23.4.12 <i>Salaried GP.</i>	Dr A Tawfiq	Thornaby & Barwick Medical Group	S PCT
21.2.12 <i>GP Returner.</i>	Dr P J Heywood	The Linthorpe Surgery	M PCT
9.4.12 <i>Returning to work following break for superannuation purposes.</i>	Dr S White	Newlands Medical Practice	M PCT
13.3.12 <i>Salaried GP.</i>	Dr Y H Mhando	The Village Medical Centre	M PCT
1.3.12 <i>Partner</i>	Dr F McHardy	The Garth Surgery	R&C PCT
25.1.12 <i>Salaried GP. PCT MS.</i>	Dr R J Dobson	Marske Medical Centre	R&C PCT
2.4.12 <i>Returning to work following superannuation break.</i>	Dr A J H Stocking	The Coatham Surgery	R&C PCT

Resignations:

<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Partnership</u>	<u>Practice Area</u>
25.1.12 <i>Retired.</i>	Dr J I Kibirige	The Endeavour Practice	M PCT
20.5.12 <i>Resigned.</i>	Dr M N Vijayakumar	Crossfell Medical Centre	M PCT
30.6.12 <i>Resigned. Partner.</i>	Dr J F M Wasson	Discovery Practice	M PCT
6.4.12 <i>Break in service for superannuation purposes. Returns to work on 9.4.12.</i>	Dr S White	Newlands Medical Practice	M PCT
31.3.12 <i>Taking superannuation break. Returning on 2 April 2012.</i>	Dr A J H Stocking	The Coatham Surgery	R&C PCT

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**12/3/13.2 Change of telephone numbers
Communication from NEPCSA**

12/3/13.2.1 Coulby Medical Practice - With immediate effect has new telephone and fax numbers:

Tel: 01642 746800
Fax: 01642 746802

12/3/13.2.2 Yarm Medical Centre – With immediate effect has new telephone and fax numbers:

Tel: 01642 745800
Fax: 01642 745802

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**12/3/13.3 The Birchtree Surgery, The Health Centre, Lawson Street, Stockton on Tees
Communication from Contractor Services, NEPCSA, Gosforth**

"Please note the following changes relating to The Birchtree Surgery, The Health Centre, Lawson Street, Stockton on Tees. The PMS contract held by Dr R B Olding ends on 31 March 2012. From 1 April 2012, this practice will be operated under an APMS contract held by Counted4 Community Interest Company:

*New Practice Name: Lawson Street Practice
Surgery Address: The Health Centre, Lawson Street,
Stockton on Tees TS18 1HU
Surgery Tel No. 01642 633561
Practice Code: A81632*

The practice will initially be operated with locum GPs."

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**12/3/13.4 Change of Address: Langbaugh NHS Medical Centre, Redcar
Communication from Sarah Clasper, Head of Communication &
Engagement, NHS Tees**

"Langbaugh NHS Medical Centre, a GP and nurse-led health service based in the Redcar Primary Care Hospital on West Dyke Road is due to relocate later next month.

The service, which is provided by Assura Stockton, is moving to the state-of-the-art Coatham Health Village on Coatham Road on Monday, 20 February 2012. It will join existing services including the Coatham Road Surgery which moved into the health village recently.

Patients will still be able to see a nurse or doctor without an appointment from 8.00 am to 7.00 pm weekdays and from 1.15 pm to 5.00 pm at weekends. Unregistered patients may book same day emergency appointments if they are unable to make an appointment with their own GP and new patients are welcome to register if they wish to.

As well as increasing access to GP services, the Langbaugh NHS Medical Centre provides patients with greater choice to receive advice and treatment for a wide range of minor injuries and illnesses.

The move has long been planned. Ever since it opened in late 2009 the Redcar Primary Care Hospital was a temporary located until a new permanent location became available in the purpose built Coatham Health Village.

Assura Stockton is a partnership between seven local GP practices and leading healthcare provider Assura Medical. It also operates the Stockton NHS Healthcare Centre and Sexual Health Teesside which provides sexual health advice, treatment and education across the whole of Teesside."

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12/3/13.5 Report the receipt of:

GPC Newsletter 6 – Friday, 20 January 2012 – available on www.bma.org.uk
GPC Newsletter 7 – Friday, 1 March 2012 – available on www.bma.org.uk
BMA NE Regional Council minutes of meeting held on 6 December 2011
Sunderland LMC minutes of meeting held on 15 November 2011
Sunderland LMC minutes of meeting held on 17 January 2012
GPC Annual Report – March 2012 – available on www.bma.org.uk

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12/3/13.6 Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday, 15 May 2012 : 7.00 p.m. : Norton Education Centre, Junction Road, Norton, Stockton on Tees TS20 1PR.

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There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

Date: Chairman: