

## **Patient Group Meeting Notes - 27 October 2020**

**Present** (via video conference facility): Tony Morris (Chair), Lynda Isaac, Janet MacCulloch and Amanda Oliver.

**1. Apologies for absence** - Cathryn Bovingdon and Philip Pritchard.

### **2. Matters arising from the meeting on 25 August 2020**

- a) Patient information and MJog –More information is going out to patients using available methods, including MJog and the Facebook page.
- b) Date of next meeting – action completed.

**3. New arrangements resulting from Covid19** – there was a wide-ranging discussion about the revised arrangements for appointments and the precautions necessary at the Surgery. It was generally felt that the system was working well, but the situation will be monitored to see if any changes are necessary.

**4. Winter flu vaccine programme** – the revised system had worked very efficiently and the 65+ age group patients should all have received their vaccinations by the end of the month. Vaccinations for those 50+ has yet to be confirmed by the NHS.

**5. West Sussex PPG Network** – The Clinical Commissioning Group has been holding meetings to share information on Patient Groups. The Committee saw no practical benefit in a suggestion that Patient Groups might be merged. The important relationship for patients is with their own GP Surgery

**6. Financial update** – The Covid19 precautions have meant the sale of books, collecting jar and fundraising events have had to stop, so the Committee was very pleased and grateful to hear that £110 in donations had been received from patients since the last meeting. Available funds total £305.55.

**7. Patient suggestions & concerns** – none received.

**8. Any other business** - The need to recruit patients to fill vacancies on the committee was discussed. In addition to personal approaches that members might make, an item is to be included in the next Newsletter and on the Facebook page.

**Action: Tony**

**9. Date of next meeting** – it was agreed to hold the next meeting on **Tuesday 12 January 2021** at 1.30 pm, via the video conference facility.