



Notes from meeting 10 September 2014, Jenner Health Centre

Present: Bruce, Jan, Jayne, Annette, Graham, Carol, Sheila, John, Pearina and William
Apologies: Gary, Pat, Marian

The meeting was in two parts commencing with a talk from the Alzheimer's Society, Peterborough. The talk was given by Nyarai Miziso who explained that a new resource centre has been opened in Peterborough and is offering a range of services and activities to those suffering from memory associated problems which include mild to moderate Alzheimer's. She explained that this had been possible due to the generosity of Peterborough City council who had provided funding for the project. Although the facilities were aimed at the people of Peterborough, people from outside the city would also be able to access the centre. Nyarai left details of the centre and its activities in a series of leaflets.

Jan then asked Graham to talk about the banners which he proposed should be bought by the group to advertise the annual show. This would be a one-off expense although we would need to purchase a stick on date plaque each year which was not an expensive item, about £20. He thought the purchase would be around £200 for 3 banners. The problem seems to be that we may not have a site for the third banner since the council appears to have stopped the use of the railings out side the bank for that purpose. Graham is going to make enquiries to see if this applies to organisations such as ours who are merely trying to raise funds for local amenities. It was agreed that the purchase should go ahead.

The purchase of display boards is still under revue but since Bruce has found a projector screen in the centre, it is not necessary to purchase one at present.

Gary and Jan attended the Borderline LCG meeting on 9 Sept. One of the presentations given by Aasiya Moreea concerned the issues about Care Data. We had previously advised that there did not appear to be sufficient safeguards in place to ensure that the data gleaned from our medical records would not be used in commercial projects and could be easily traced back to the individual. We were assured that although the national insurance numbers, postcodes, age and genders of the individuals would be taken in order to match data from all sources e.g. from surgery and hospital, the NI number and the last 3 digits of the postcode would be removed before the data is used for research or whatever. Only coded data would be taken. We made the point that patients would not necessarily object to giving this information for the purposes of furthering research to the benefit of us all but did object to the casual way it was introduced. We feel that we could now recommend to patients who have opted out should now opt in.

Andrew has agreed that the cholesterol tester, should an invoice appear, will be paid by the surgery. This means that money set aside for this purpose can be used for other equipment such as the blood pressure machine.

Adriaan has announced that he will be leaving the surgery in January to take up an appointment nearer his home. The daily commute from his home in Grantham has become untenable and has decided sadly that it is time to move on. Jan said that the group is sad to see him go but understand his reasons for doing so. She said the group offers thanks for the care Adriaan has given to the patients at Jenner. Bruce explained that arrangements were already underway to replace the post and there was no anxiety about the ability to fill it.

Bruce said that a new nurse practitioner, Michele Bradley is now in post and will be a great asset to the practice. Her appointment should enhance the services provided at the surgery, not replace those given by a doctor. The Tuesday morning presence at the surgery got underway on 2 September with Jan, Carol and Graham in attendance. Sheila, Carol and Jan will be in attendance again on 16 September.

Date of next meeting is 11 November.

N.B. The minutes of the last meeting will be reviewed at that meeting together with the notes from this meeting. Formal notes were not taken on 9 Sept but hopefully these reflections are accurate!