

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

NORTH OF TYNE LPC COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 23rd January 2019

Time: 9.30 – 16.30

Location: Holiday Inn Newcastle –Gosforth Park
Great North Road, Seaton Burn, Newcastle, NE13 6BP

PRESENT:

Name	Organisation	Affiliation
Ann Gunning	NoT LPC	Head of Services & Support
Chris Dodd	Gill & Schofield	Independent
Chris Holmes	Fairmans Pharmacy	Independent
Debbie Baird-Palmer	Boots	CCA
Gary Dobinson	Mills Pharmacy	Independent
Geraint Morris	Boots	CCA
Hannah Lubbeke-Brown	Well	CCA
Keith Kendall	NoT LPC	Chair
Sharon Williams	Wellway Pharmacy	Independent
Simon Clark	Tesco	CCA
Stephen Blackman	NoT LPC	Chief Officer

IN ATTENDANCE:

Name	Organisation	Affiliation
Mark Burdon	PSNC	Area Rep
Mike King	PSNC	LPC and Contractor Support

APOLOGIES:

Name	Organisation	Affiliation
Amanda Lertoria	Lloyds	CCA
Andy Watson	Whitworth Chemists	Independent
Christine Wardlaw	NoT LPC	Treasurer
Farhaan Qureshi (Bobby)	Lloyds	CCA
Hugh McKendrick	Boots	CCA
Russell Buglass	Rowlands	CCA

MEETING:

Item	Discussion	Decisions and Action Points
01	Introduction	
	<p>Declarations of Conflicts of Interest SB advised that he is now employed by Newcastle Gateshead CCG and seconded to NHS England as Pharmacy Integration Project Manager. Although employed by the LPC until the end of January, he is taking his remaining annual leave and commenced his new employment on Monday 21st January. KK thanked SB for his work and vision during his three and a half years in post. AG advised that she will be restarting her post with HEE in February as community pharmacy pre-reg tutor champion.</p>	<p>09-01 FQ to complete updated COI forms</p>
	<p>Minutes from Previous Meeting Previous minutes were approved without changes.</p>	<p>Minutes approved</p>
	<p>Open Action Points. All ongoing action points reviewed and updated. 5.10 – complete 5.11 – some forms still outstanding 9.2 – not completed. SB to share folder of documents with SC. 7.7 – AL to send governance audit action points to DBP. 11.3 – Slides not received from CCA yet. GM to chase.</p>	<p>5.11 SC to chase outstanding forms 9.2 SB to share with SC for upload 7.7 AL to liaise with DBP 11.3 GM to request slides</p>
02	PSNC Update	
	<p>Mike King added his thanks to SB for his work as chief officer for the LPC. The March national meeting of LPCs will focus on engagement with primary care networks. The intention will be to share learning from LPCs with early learning and success and develop a template offering to networks for LPCs to customise to their locality. The NHS Long Term Plan will be discussed in further detail at PSNC's February meeting. There are 'hooks' which have been identified within the document which will be explored when contract negotiations start. The document does indicate that further efficiencies will be required. MK commented upon Mike Dent's presentation to the regional LPC meeting on 22nd January. MD has concerns about contractors having 'rose tinted glasses' and expecting that more money will start to come from the NHS. Contractors need to be aware of pressures coming from technology including the possibility of Amazon entering the market. Simon Dukes is clear that there is no more money coming from the NHS, so pharmacies need to look to new business models and engage with technology. LPCs are asked to ensure this message is relayed to contractors. Change is coming and they need to consider the funding of their business. Members asked MK to feed back that PSNC needs to inform contractors of ongoing work. Contractors need more clarity about the work where this transparency does not negatively impact upon negotiations. Members also requested a business case setting out how PSNC</p>	

	proposed to use the increased funding they have requested via an increase to the levy. The LPC wants more detail before deciding whether to support the increase.	
03	Officers' Reports	
	Chair's Report See report for full details.	
	Chief Officer's Report See report for full details. SB highlighted PSNE's financial accounts to members.	
	HS&S Report See report for full details. AG raised to members prior to Andre Yeung attending the meeting, that G&ST LPC had rejected Andre's funding model for the BHF hypertension screening pilot.	
	PSNC Regional Representatives Report Covered by MK.	
04	Visitors	
	<p>Andre Yeung attended to explain the BHF hypertension pilot. It has taken two years to secure funding for a two year pilot which will screen 10,000 patients for potential hypertension. The number of screens has been set by the BHF and cannot be altered. AY explained that screening is only useful for the 'system' those patients detected with untreated hypertension. His proposal will make payment for any patient referred to their GP following one week of home blood pressure monitoring with raised blood pressure or detected at initial screening with an abnormal pulse. Based on a detection rate of 1 in 10, pharmacies could be paid £80 per referred patient. Payment will be reviewed as the detection rate becomes more evident.</p> <p>Members discussed payment per screen and also a model giving payment when a patient is given a meter for home recording due to the workload involved with these patients.</p> <p>AY undertook to update the service specification and send it to the LPC.</p> <p>Dr Hamde Nazar and Sarah Khayyat, PhD student explained that for her PhD, SK is specifically reviewing the impact of the Transfer of Care service on patients with Type 2 Diabetes. She is investigating whether input from the community pharmacist improves patient diabetic care and reduces hospital admissions. At this point in her research, SK needs to interview community pharmacists who have been involved with the project. She requested members present to volunteer to be interviewed and line managers to encourage their pharmacists. AG advised she has already highlighted the pharmacies receiving most referrals and will pass this to line managers.</p>	<p>1-01 Members to comment on updated service specification prior to next steering group on 6.2.19</p> <p>1-02 Members to sign up according to their role or to encourage their teams to sign up to the research</p>
05	Finance	
	<p>DBP does not have bank access. Given ongoing problems with Lloyds, SB suggested Unity Trust as an alternative bank for the LPC.</p> <p>AG raised the PharmOutcomes licence following the regional LPC meeting attended by David Price, Chief Operating Officer, Pinnacle. Last year, the super licence cost £55,238 ex VAT. If</p>	1-03 Members to pass any comments to AG for AG to discuss with regional

	<p>Pinnacle charged using the same model in 2019, the price would be £57,607 ex VAT. To date, the area has been charged 15% of the price usually charged for a 'reseller' licence. Pinnacle can no longer afford this level of discount due to the work involved in maintaining the separation between organisations. The actual cost of our super licence based on the usual reseller discount of 60% would generate an invoice of £124,087 ex VAT. Given the level of increase, Pinnacle has proposed charging only to cover their costs of the super licence, £77,820 ex VAT.</p> <p>Following push back from members, the final agreement was to charge £57,607 ex VAT and for LPCs to discuss how they want to use PharmOutcomes into the future, to simplify the licence and thereby reduce cost.</p>	colleagues by 28.2
06	Governance	
	SC advised there is nothing to report. A complete review of the self-assessment audit will be completed for the May LPC meeting.	1-04 GSC to review self-assessment audit for
07	Discussion Points	
	The working groups from 9 th January strategy day met to discuss informing the action plans, having developed the objectives at the end of the strategy day. Each group fed back high level actions and resources needed. The feedback was captured into the draft strategy document and will be reviewed at the exec meeting on 1 st February and then circulated to members for comments.	1-05 Exec to review and circulate draft strategy document
08	Committee Matters	
	Discussion regarding salary review. All members to input comments for approval before March meeting.	1-06 Members to agree salary review prior to March meeting
09	Other Business	
	<p>CD raised issues with the website not having a complete resources section including all service specifications and SLAs. SB advised all documents are available on Zoho docs. CD to advise SC what is missing, so he can upload to the website.</p> <p>GD raised that he has been provided with information about apprenticeships. All information is to be shared with the committee and independent contractors.</p> <p>Perigo has approached the LPC with an offer to provide training to contractors about the new GPhC inspection model. Exec will discuss and make an approach if needed.</p> <p>AG highlighted an email MB sent to her after he had to leave the meeting regarding Sleepstation. Members to look at the link in the forwarded email and pass comment.</p> <p>A query was raised about whether NSAID audit data recorded on PharmOutcomes automatically submits to the NHS BSA.</p>	<p>1-07 CD and SC to complete population of the website with service information</p> <p>1-08 GD to provide apprenticeship information. AG to circulate to contractors</p> <p>1-09 Exec to discuss Perigo offer</p> <p>1-10 Members to comment on Sleepstation</p> <p>1-11 AG to approach Pinnacle regarding the NSAID audit</p>
	<p>Date and time of next LPC meeting: Wednesday 6th March 2019, 09.30 – 17.00 Holiday Inn, Great North Road, Seaton Burn, NE13 6BP</p>	

Notes:

ORWG – Organisational Review Working Group
FSC – Finance Sub-Committee
GSC – Governance Sub-Committee