

WINYATES HEALTH CENTRE  
Winyates Patient Outlook Group Meeting  
6:00pm 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Minutes

Present on behalf of:

Winyates Health Centre:  
Richard Budd, IT Manager

Outlook Group:  
Andy Bennett  
Sue Watkins  
Sue Dean  
Greg Bright  
David Spyer

Apologies:  
Claire Gould, Practice Manager  
David Ogg

Visitors: Claire Austin

Minutes of last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were agreed as a true record by those present.

Matters arising:  
NONE

Welcome:  
We welcomed Claire Austin to the meeting.

Agenda items:

- Claire Austin, from the Redditch and Bromsgrove CCG, had been talking to Patient Participation Groups, across the practices, regarding, the future of acute hospital services, in Worcestershire, as part of the public consultation.

A lot of discussion, between Claire and the committee present, regarding cut backs at the Alexandra Hospital took place, regarding: No A and E for children under the age of 16, no children's wards. There was also no Maternity cover.

These cut backs, were due to not having sufficient staff in these areas. There were also few junior doctors coming from Medical Schools.

We were told, that Worcester Hospital, was going to have a Medical School.

The committee, highlighted the fact that there was no bus service to the hospital at night. The bus service that was introduced, for a trial period, to and from both hospitals, was not being used regularly, due mainly to the time table.

There is not a train service from Redditch to Worcester, and the Johnsons buses (No 350) stops a good walking distance from the hospital, and only 3 buses per day.

It was made clear to Claire, from the committee, that there are a lot more houses being built in Redditch at the moment, and we will need all the services at Redditch, with all the facilities to go with them.

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Claire told the committee, that the plan for Redditch Hospital, was to have the Orthopaedic and Urology facilities in the hospital.

The discussions with Claire were welcomed by the committee, and it took up most of the time allocated for the meeting.

The committee thought that we had given these items their full discussion time that these important subjects required.

The committee thanked Claire for her time, but made it clear to Claire that the committee were not happy, and rejected the majority of issues.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next Patient Outlook meeting will be held at Winyates Health Centre, on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017, at 6:00pm.

The meeting closed at 7:15pm.

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*As the meeting went on for some time we were unable to go through the PPG report, that Richard Budd had kindly prepared, however, he was going to email the report, to the committee. (Hopefully the committee will have received theirs.)*

*Sue Watkins*

Sue Watkins  
Secretary

*Greg Bright*

Greg Bright  
Chair