

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP AGM

Meeting held via teams

06th March 2025 at 17:00PM

Attendees: KB, SB, TB, MG, LKS, ER, CS, AT.

1. Apologies for absence

• NB, JE.

2. Introduction to LBMC

• CS gave a brief overview of Long Bennington Medical Centre to include information on the patient numbers, roles within the Medical Centre and specialists' roles they are supported by, and the role CS has in the Medical Centre.

3. Chairs Report

- AT read his report. Information in the report included that the committee has 8 members (6 patients and 2 members of practice staff) and the number of meetings held since the 2024 AGM.
- Wellbeing walks are still being held from the Medical Centre every 3rd Wednesday of the month. The walks now leave the Medical Centre at a slightly earlier time of 10:45am. 2024 saw the 1st away walk being held. A total of 157 patients and 22 new walkers have joined the walks since March 2024.
- The Patient Participation Group continues to support the Dementia Group, working alongside the Practice Care Co-ordinator NB, Foston Neighbours and Long Bennington Charities. The group is specific to LBMC's patients and is held on the 2nd Monday of the month. The group continues to receive positive feedback from both patients attending and their carers. This group would not be able to run without the support from the PPG, Foston Neighbours and Long Bennington Charities.
- 4 members of the committee continue to support patients by offering home visits to those who are housebound due to mobility and or other health issues. These visits are greatly received. Members have not only been a friendly face but have also been able to give patients valuable information.



- Foston Neighbours continues to work in collaboration with the PPG and offers support in a variety of ways. The group is jointly represented on the PPG committee by ER and SB.
- 4 members of the PPG supported LBMC with the Flu/Covid clinic that was held at the Medical Centre on Saturday 5th October 2024. It was the 1st time that patients were able to have their Flu and Covid vaccine together on the same day at the Medical Centre.
- One of the functions of the PPG is to gather feedback from patients. Through completion of feedback forms the PPG have been able to collect valuable insights from patients. The group will be holding two sessions in mid-March this year.
- The 2nd edition of the "Patient Focus" newsletter was published in Autumn 2024. This can be found on LBMC's website.
- AT concludes his report mentioning that the PPG is excited about the opportunities to further strength our PPG and make a positive impact on the health and well-being of our community. The PPG will strive to have more patient engagement and continue to work together with patients, healthcare providers and other stakeholders.
- Finally, all are thanked for their commitment, dedication, and passion to improving healthcare in our community.

4. Terms of Reference

Terms of Reference version 4 is scheduled to be reviewed at an upcoming PPG meeting.

5. Committee Members

- AT informs the group that he has accepted the role of the Chair for the next 12 months. He is delighted to take on this role.
- CS, AT have recently met with new potential members.

6. Annual Declaration of Commitment

• CS advises that there will be a review of the Annual Declaration of Commitment document, and this will be discussed at an upcoming PPG meeting.



7. Thank you

- CS thanked everyone for their commitment to the PPG and is excited for what projects are planned for 2025.
- TB from Long Bennington Charities is introduced to the group and again thanked by LKS for supporting the Dementia Group and patients that they do.
- TB informs the committee that LB Charities designed a flyer for patients that attend the Dementia Group the flyer promotes what services LB Charities can support patients with.
- TB informs the committee that the charity is happy to continue to support patients in need within the community, LB Charities will continue to support the Dementia group for the next 12months.

8. Any other business

• LKS thanks all the PPG members for their continued support and is grateful with the progress the group continues to make and is excited for what 2025 holds.

Next PPG Meeting 19th March 2025.