## Notes of Angel Lane PPG virtual Meeting. Tuesday 18th January 2022

- 1. June welcomed everyone to the meeting and Terry thanked for setting up the Zoom link. Alison and Dr. Linn were late in joining because of a problem at the surgery.
- 2. **Present:** Alison Southgate, Dr. Linn, Margaret Easter, Terry Moore, Wendy Barron, June and Phil Milne
- 3. Apologies, Marian, Raj.
- 4. **Minutes of Meeting :** 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021, after a slight spelling mistake was corrected, agreed and signed.
- 5. **Matters Arising: Pharmacy.** Alison confirmed the situation was still the same. Wendy asked a question regarding lighting outside the dispensary collection window on behalf of a patient with mobility problems. Alison confirmed that a new light had been installed this week.

**Stroke Club referrals.** Nothing had been done but Terry and Wendy offered to try and get this on DTC website.

Newsletter. Everyone had seen it and it was hoped it had been useful.

6. **Treasurers Report** Bal.£301.20p after a £30 donation had been received and a donation of £400 given towards the new Doppler machine for the surgery which is proving to be very helpful. Alison had received a bank statement which she would get to Phil. He thought the balance should be enough to cover the cost of the Healthy Care Monitor service.

Wendy asked a question regarding access to the BP machine. Alison confirmed it was still available. Margaret asked if the Stroke Association Know Your Blood Pressure Days were still held. Phil said no as the Stroke Association were no longer doing these.

## 7. Surgery News/Covid Update/Flu

Alison reported that 2 new receptionists, Karen and Michelle had been appointed to replace Debbie who had retired and moved to Spain. Best wishes to Debbie were expressed. One receptionist has lot of experience and one has a hospital/clinical background and both are doing well. There is also a new Secretary, Debbie who came from a surgery in Bishop Stortford. She is fitting in well.

All of the reception staff are now working AM or PM shifts to avoid really long days and it is working very well.

There are no change in doctors. There are 8 in total including 2 GP Registrars. Barry Easter had reported that Dr Perry, one of the GP Registrars was excellent. **Covid.** Surgery is struggling a little as NHS guidelines are different to normal guidelines. Some staff have tested positive and others have been contacts and NHS guidelines are strict and different to the general public regarding isolation. Masks are being worn at all times again by all staff.

Injections are still being done at Stansted but not at our Surgery. There are a number of younger people refusing to have a jab.

Margaret asked if there was any alternative to the injection yet for those who have problems with needles etc. Alison said there was nothing as yet.

The flu jabs have been ordered for Autumn but it can be changed up to March. There is no information regarding Covid jabs but it is possible that patients may receive two together.

## AOB.

Phil asked how many patients the surgery has. At present it is 10,900. The surgery are working on what the absolute maximum can be before they have to close their books to new registrations and Dr Linn feels they are almost there.

Dr Linn also asked about the proposed new medical centre that was part of the original application for some of the new housing sites. Wendy confirmed that it had been abandoned.

The CCG have requested a meeting so Dr Linn asked is it was possible to get some idea of the number of proposed new houses. Wendy offered to get these and said that there could be more as new sites had been requested. Takeley is also within the catchment area of this surgery.

**Date of Next Meeting.** Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2022. 2pm by Zoom which will be organised by Terry