**Notes of Angel Lane PPG virtual Meeting. Tuesday 7th June 2022**

1. June welcomed everyone to the meeting and Terry was thanked for setting up the Zoom link.
2. **Present:** Alison Southgate, Dr. Linn, Margaret Easter, Terry Moore,

Wendy Barron, Raj Samtani, June and Phil Milne

1. **Apologies:** Marian, Sue
2. **Minutes of Meeting:**  15th March 2022 did not appear to have been received except Alison, but it was agreed June would resend and they were accepted and signed.
3. **Matters Arising:** The Keir site documents had been circulated after the last meeting but there was no more information at present.

CCG is now ICB therefore things seem to have gone quiet re the fact that more

Capacity is needed. Dr Linn said that he is hoping to get more information at

a meeting that he will be attending as surgeries can only go so far

in accepting more patients. Raj asked if the surgery had decided upon the upper limit of patient numbers. Dr Linn said this had not yet been decided but expressed his worries about the whole situation

Great Dunmow Councillors who are part of our group will keep us informed if any

other information is received.

Raj asked if anyone had contacted our MP. The surgery had decided it was not

appropriate at the moment but it might have to go down that road at a later date.

Raj commented on the communication of the 4th May. Some people said they had

not received it so it would be resent.

The message is watch this space!!

1. **Surgery News.**

CovidVaccinations for over 75 year olds are still being done.

Sometimes at Stansted Surgery but not so many clinics being offered there now. Patients can get them done elsewhere by booking online or calling 119.

Our Surgery is continuing their programme of vaccinating the housebound and care homes despite difficulties in obtaining the vaccine.

Infection control at the surgery has been relaxed slightly. Masks are not being worn in office areas but still in public /clinical areas to keep everyone safe.

Dr Manju has left but fortunately a new GP has been appointed to begin in July.

Patients now have the choice of a face to face or telephone appointment.

Approximate delivery dates for flu vaccinations have been given but there is no guarantee that they will arrive then therefore it is difficult to set dates for clinics. Raj queried how it would be managed and June asked if it was likely that PPG members could be involved in some way. Alison said it was unlikely that refreshments could be available but a Raffle might be possible. Alison will sort out some possible dates and let us know.

A project for PPG has not been identified but Phil did say that since the funds are almost non existing, and we will need to pay for the service of the BP machine we will need to concentrate on that.

Alison reported that the Doppler machine is working well.

1. AOB.

Terry asked for clarification for the electronic delivery of prescriptions to pharmacies.

Alison explained that there are two routes.

* prescription is electronically sent to a selected pharmacy
* prescription is electronically sent to the “cloud” and pharmacy draws it down

Terry notified the group that this was not immediate and takes about half an hour to reach the chemist. The clinicians are not making the patients aware of this. Alison will ask the clinicians to tell the patients that the prescription may take up to half an hour before it is at the chemist.

XRay results. Patients are not always getting told to call the surgery to get their results after an xray or blood test. Alison will remind the clinicians to do this.

Margaret explained about major personal problems they had experienced but thanked the Drs at the surgery for the treatment received. June reiterated this for one of our patients who has experienced some sad, harrowing times recently.

Raj urged Dr. Linn to write to our MP.

1. Date of next Meeting. 2nd August 2pm. It will be decided nearer the time if it is Zoom or face to face as it was felt that it would be good, if possible for PPG members to meet some of the new staff.