

**NOTES OF A GOSPORT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
MEDICAL STAFFING MEETING  
HELD ON 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2003**

**Present:** *Althea Lord  
Ian Reid  
Jan Peach  
Fiona Cameron  
Neil Stubbs*

**Apologies:** *Margaret Smith*

		<b>Action</b>
1.	<p><b>Out of Hours Dryad / Daedalus</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Update on Current Situation</u> Fiona reported that Drs Knapman, Brigg and Beasley had agreed to continue to the end of March. <p>Althea reported that Dan McDonald, locum, would commence on 24<sup>th</sup> March. There would be no locum cover between 10<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March during the day.</p> <li>• <u>Contingency 01.04.03</u> Althea would discuss with Dan McDonald his capacity willingness to assist with further out of hours cover. In addition a meeting was being organised between Margaret Smith, Derek Witt of Primecare and Fiona Cameron, to discuss the possibility of part funding a doctor to cover the additional 25 hours out of hours.</li> <li>• <u>Primecare Contract</u> Fiona informed the meeting that this had been passed to the solicitors to generate.</li> <li>• <u>General Contractual Issues – Ian Reid's paper</u> This was agreed in principle.</li> </li></ul>	AL  FC
2.	<p><b>Intermediate Care Physician</b></p> <p>Further advert for this will be placed on 15<sup>th</sup> February and interview dates are currently being set up.</p>	
3.	<p><b>GP Bed Fund</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Current Situation</u> Four practices have now resigned from the Bed Fund, totalling around sixteen GPs. This is sixteen of forty-four and at this stage should not have a huge impact on how these beds are used, given that six of the beds are now Elderly Medicine. Sultan currently has seven empty beds, four of them GP beds, three Elderly Medicine beds.</li> </ul>	

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4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Six Elderly Medicine Beds</u> As above, currently three Elderly Medicine patients in these beds, although Althea raised the issue of nurses refusing to accept patients from Elderly Medicine for a variety of reasons. Jan will pursue this with the ward staff. This is clearly unacceptable and, where it was agreed that there were two routes for issues being raised by nursing staff, If it was a clinical issue and there was concern about the condition of the patient these needed to be routed back to the consultant and if the issue was around staffing these needed to be routed through Jan Peach.</li> <li>• <u>Review Issues for GP Beds</u> These were identified as being in three main areas – prescribing practice, auditing care provided and prescribing training.  In relation to the first, this practice issue should be picked up by the diamorphine audit, currently underway.  In relation to prescribing training, it was considered that an immediate audit of prescription writing would identify areas where training needed to be targeted. The auditing of care provided probably best done through auditing a sample of notes and this is certainly being commenced in East Hampshire with a view to its being rolled out. It was agreed that this would not be pursued immediately in Gosport War Memorial.</li> </ul> <p><b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b></p> <p><b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2003 (4.00 p.m.)</b></p> <p><b>In the Meeting Room (Downstairs) at Fareham Reach</b></p>	JP