

PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTH EAST HAMPSHIRE HEALTH AUTHORITY

Gosport GP Steering Group

Notes of the Meeting held Thursday 3 December 1998

Present:	Jane Barton	JB	Evelyn Beale	EB
	Bob Pennells	BP	Brendan Coonan	BC
	Wendy Harrison	WH	John Grocock	JG
	John Bassett	JBa	David Young	DY
	Declan Lynch	DL	Jayne Colebourne	JC
	Peter Lacey	PL	Hazel Bagshaw	HB
	David Evans	DE	Hugh Janes	HJ

No	Discussion	Action
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1 Apologies for Absence

John Kirtley
Liz Ross
Jonathon Hilderbrand

2 Notes of the meeting held on Thursday 5 November 1998

To be circulated.

3 Matters arising

3.1 Potential PCG office accommodation at GWM

JB explained that there was potential for some limited office accommodation for the PCG to use in the GWM and that work was in hand to access it. JB also confirmed further appointments to the management structure of the Gosport PCG, those being:

Finance: Peter Ifold (shared with Fareham)
IT/Information: Sue Pitham (shared with Fareham)
Service Development (Gosport): Kathryn Rowles
Service Development (Fareham): Hugh Janes

4 Confirmation of the results of recent survey on PCG level

The results from the recent survey had now been circulated by Bob Button and showed strong support for level 2.

5 Health Improvement Programme - Feedback from recent meeting (26 November 1998)

DL suggested that as joint work with other agencies was under the remit of PCGs, Gosport PCG should encourage such organisations to concentrate on stopping the selling of cigarettes to under 16s. DL also outlined the potential cost if the Gosport PCG focussed upon CHD as one of its HIMP priorities, explaining that he was in dialogue with Mike Sadler about this issue. This increase cost would be in the form of additional GP and nursing time, together with potential increases in prescribing. DL was also due to meet with JB and their counterparts in the Fareham PCG to try and discuss priorities, together with any potential areas of joint work.

DL

6 GP beds update

DY reported that the pilot had now started, but that it was too early for any figures to be available.

7 Lasercare (Haslar) - Potential service transfer for pulse-dye laser work from Salisbury to Lasercare

To be discussed at a later meeting due to lack of time.

8 Prescribing update

JBa updated the group on current work with prescribing and JB agreed to attend the Drugs and Therapeutics Committee in JBa's place.

JB

9 Physiotherapy: Update

HJ tabled figures (attached) obtained from Ian Latimer at a recent meeting, explaining that these figures highlighted the high and variable referral rates to the service. The figures also appear to show that Gosport would appear to be funded for a referral rate of 25 per 1000, which would appear to be in line with funding throughout the HA. This would therefore appear to clarify the initial concern that Gosport was under-funded, relative to other parts of the district, and leave us in the position that referrals exceed capacity. It was therefore agreed that representatives from the Physiotherapy service attend the next meeting in order to discuss the situation and that the programme of visiting practices in order to discuss their position should continue.

HJ

10 AOB

JB announced that the date of the first meeting of the PCG Board had now been agreed for 15 December in the afternoon.

JB asked for volunteers to attend two half day sessions run by PHT to be involved in their planning process, but it was agreed that it would be easier if PHT could send representatives to the Steering Group to focus on and discuss specific issues.

HJ

JC explained that she was to speak with a software company to see what may be useful for the PCG and it was agreed that details of practice's software could be shared by the Practice Managers' group as part of this process.

JC

Discussion then took place on the likely future of Haslar, together with the practical implications should it close and it was agreed that Penny Humphris be invited to the next meeting in order to discuss the issues and contingency plans that may be in place.

JB/HJ

11 Date of next meeting

Thursday 7 January 1999 at 12.30 in the Seminar Room, Gosport War Memorial.

PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTH EAST HAMPSHIRE HEALTH AUTHORITY**Gosport Locality GP Steering Group**

To be held on Thursday 5 November at 12.30 in the Seminar Room at Gosport War Memorial.

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Notes of the meeting held on Thursday 1 October 1998**
- 3 Feedback from the Gosport Medical Committee Meeting**
- 4 Confirm lead GPs for current areas of work as follows:**

Clinical Governance:	Jim Warner
Commissioning:	Jane Barton and Bob Pennells
Haslar:	Brendan Coonan
John Grocock:	Waiting List/winter pressures
GWM GP Beds:	Bob Pennells and David Young
Nursing liaison:	Wendy Harrison
HImP:	Declan Lynch
- 5 Health Improvement Programme - Consultation**
- 6 Prescribing update**
- 7 Physiotherapy: Update**
- 8 GP beds**
- 9 AOB**
- 10 Date of next meeting**

Refreshments will be provided and attendance reimbursed at £60 per GP (1 per practice).

Comparison of referrals to Physiotherapy prior to and during the pilot

The following table shows the referral rates to the physiotherapy during the first five months of the pilot project. It is again clear that considerable variations exists between practices and that the overall rate is considerably above the rate at which the department is budgeted. This is therefore causing concern within the department and, if this rate continues, is likely to result in longer waiting times.

Table 1 Referrals to physiotherapy during the 5 month pilot, January - May 1998

Practice	Target	Referrals	% over/under
Anderson	122	82	-33
Bassett	53	56	7
Beale	13	41	228
Collins	98	127	30
Coonan	86	198	132
Evans	73	113	56
Hajiantonis	58	56	-3
Knapman	131	111	-15
Lacey	44	70	61
Pennells ¹	89	220	147
Total	764	1074	41

¹ The practice, as fundholders, have contracted for a higher rate, however this would be their target if the service was funded to the same rate as the non-fundholding practices.

The following table compares referrals prior the pilot project with those during the project, this latter figure being aggregated up from five to twelve months. Again there is considerable variation between practices together with an overall increase of 14%. Part of the reason for this apparent increase may be linked to the inclusion of Haslar figures, however if these levels of referrals continue, waiting lists may well rise.

Table 2 Comparison of referrals before and during the pilot

Practice	Before pilot	Pilot figures aggregated to 12 months	% change
Anderson	112	197	76
Bassett/Beale ¹	230	233	1
Collins	274	305	11
Coonan	358	475	33
Evans	396	271	-32
Hajiantonis	123	134	9
Knapman	250	266	7
Lacey	95	168	77
Pennells	430	528	23
Total	2268	2578	14

¹ Figures for the two practices have been combined to enable comparison with the pre-pilot figure.