

**PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTH EAST HAMPSHIRE HEALTH AUTHORITY**

**Gosport Locality GP Steering Group**

**Notes of the Meeting held Thursday 16 April 1998**

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| <b>Present:</b> | Jane Barton  | JBa | David Evans    | DE |
|                 | David Young  | DY  | Brendan Coonan | BC |
|                 | John Bassett | JB  | Noel Hopkins   | NH |
|                 | Bob Pennells | BP  | Wendy Harrison | WH |
|                 | John Grocock | JG  | Shirley Hardy  | SH |
|                 | Evelyn Beale | EB  | Hugh Janes     | HJ |
|                 | Peter Lacey  | PL  | Alex Clark     | AC |

| <b>No</b> | <b>Discussion</b> | <b>Action</b> |
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**1 Apologies for Absence**

**2 Notes of the meeting held on Thursday 19 March 1998**  
To be circulated.

**3 Matters arising**

**3.1 Update on the prescribing position and support to be provided**

HJ circulated the monthly figures and explained that interviews had been arranged for a pharmaceutical advisor for Gosport.

**3.2 Physiotherapy**

SH reported back from her discussions with Haslar, explaining that Haslar were seeing patients from practices outside of the Gosport pilot and that this was impacting upon Haslar's capacity to treat patients in the pilot. SH reported that this position had now been clarified and would hopefully allow Haslar to see larger numbers of patients from Gosport.

**4 Feedback on the results of the questionnaire on Primary Care Groups and the next steps**

HJ outlined the preliminary results of the survey, explaining that 65% of GPs expressed the view that a level 1 Primary Care Group (PCG) should be set up for Gosport, with the majority of GPs (62%) favouring some form of link with Fareham. The survey also revealed that 91% of GPs believed that the Gosport GP Steering Group should act as a working party for the formation of a PCG. HJ agreed to write a brief report outlining the survey results and to circulate it with the meeting notes.

HJ

JB suggested that as the questionnaire now gave this group the remit to progress the setting up of a PCG for Gosport, perhaps the group should formally agree a chair. JB was duly nominated and selected as chair of the steering group.

*David Young*

AC also agreed to summarise the recent Health Service Circular on PCGs and circulate this with the meeting notes.

AC

**5 Update on Haslar**

SH updated the group on the result of the Defence Secondary Care Agency review of Haslar was expected in June, although it was unlikely that it would answer all of the questions relating to Haslar's long term future.

**6 AOB**

**Mammography:** AC explained that the HA had written to the National Screening Officer requesting removal of the prior notification lists, but unfortunately this request had been rejected. A compromise solution has been reached locally, whereby women who have been 'ceased' will be highlighted by the mammography unit and this is all that the GPs will need to check. GPs can at any time notify the unit of women who they wish to be 'ceased' and those practices who are linked to Winchester will no longer need to check addresses. Finally the letter sent out by the mammography unit will highlight the difficulties of access to the mobile van, thereby removing the need for GPs to inform the unit of those people who would have difficulty in gaining access to the van. This proposal is to be submitted to the LMC for formal approval.

**7 Date of next meeting**

Thursday 7 May 1998 at 12.30 pm in **The Meeting Room (the Chapel), Gosport War Memorial.**