

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

To be held on Wednesday 4 June at 12.30 pm in the Gosport Health Centre Seminar Room at 12.30 pm

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**AGENDA**

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- 2 Notes of the Meeting held Wednesday 23 April 1997**
- 3 Matters arising**
- 4 Update on 8th wave GP Fundholding/Multifunds**
- 5 Update from Locality Commissioning GP**
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PGEA has been applied for and refreshments will be provided.

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**Notes of the Meeting held Wednesday 4 June 1997**

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| <b>Present:</b> | Chris Tart   | CT  | Ros Reid     | RR |
|                 | David Young  | DY  | John Grocock | JG |
|                 | Bob Pennells | BP  | Hugh Janes   | HJ |
|                 | Jane Barton  | JBa | Alex Clark   | AC |
|                 | John Bassett | JB  |              |    |

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

Felicity Shaw  
Brendan Coonan

**2 Notes of the Meeting held Wednesday 23 April 1997**

These were agreed.

**3 Matters arising**

Covered in the agenda.

**4 Update on 8th wave GP Fundholding/Multifunds**

HJ outlined the position of the recent government announcement, namely that no prospective eighth wave fundholders would be going ahead within the HA. This would therefore mean that the proposed multifunds in Havant, Portsmouth and Fareham would not be going ahead.

HJ also reported that the HA was keen not to lose the momentum that had been built up by practices working towards multifunds. Given that Gosport had, through the Medical Committee and Steering Group, a good history of working together, this may be an opportunity to submit a proposal to the HA requesting more direct involvement in local health provision, either via a real or notional budget. Further discussion then took place on the various options, with the group deciding that the funding arrangements with Haslar meant that requesting a budget for these services was not possible and that concentrating on improved communications may provide the best way to improve the services they provided. Discussion then focussed on community services and the group agreed that an outlined proposal based upon district nursing, practice nursing and health visiting be submitted directly to Penny Humphris. Should this be accepted, it would require the HA to give a commitment that budgets, either notional or real, be devolved to the locality in order that the GPs

can effect changes to service provision. It would also require practices to agree that practice-based information on resources usage be shared in order that meaningful discussions on its distribution and usage take place. It would then mean that GPs could change the available pattern of resources in order to provide an overall benefit for the Gosport Locality Population. It was therefore agreed that HJ submit a draft paper to Penny Humphris and report back her response to the next meeting.

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HJ

## 5 Update from Locality Commissioning GP

JBa updated the group on her role as Locality Commissioning GP, explaining that she was on a number of different committees. JBa also explained that she was actively seeking to retain the palliative care services provided to the locality by Countess Mountbatten and in particular Dr Bewee. JBa was also involved in work looking at the usage of GP beds in Gosport and was again supporting the availability of these beds.

Ambulance usage was also questioned as a future topic to be discussed by the group and it was agreed that a representative be invited to a future meeting.

HJ

## 6 Update on Haslar

HJ reported that Shirley Hardy had been appointed as a clinical collaboration project manager with a remit to develop links between Haslar and Portsmouth Hospitals Trust which should strengthen some of the services provided at Haslar and reduce some of the variations due to Haslar's military commitments. This was a joint appointment between Haslar, the Defence Secondary Care Agency and the HA. HJ agreed to invite Shirley to the next meeting.

HJ

### 6.1 Anticoagulant clinics

HJ reported on recent discussions aimed at improving the operation of the anticoagulant clinics at Haslar. Current concerns related to the patients having to wait for their results at the clinic, as apposed to having them sent by post, something which seems to be the normal practice in other providers. Whilst some concern was expressed about elderly patients being able to read and understand information being sent through the post, as apposed to having it explained to them, the group felt that such a change would appear to be beneficial to local residents.

### 6.2 Newsletter

HJ reported that a draft newsletter had been produced by Haslar and this was currently being amended prior to circulation.

**7           GMS Issues**

Agreed to discuss at the next meeting due to lack of time.

**8           AOB**

BP explained that their practice had made some non-recurring savings which needed to be spent in such a way as to benefit the entire locality and he therefore requested ideas on this as soon as possible. A number of suggestions were then discussed:

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- 1)       Coronary Heart By Passes
- 2)       An afternoon pathology specimen collection service.
- 3)       A mobile echo-cardiography service.
- 4)       Improvements to the ultrasound service.
- 5)       A pain clinic in Gosport.

**9           Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 2 July at 12.30 pm in the Seminar Room at Gosport Health Centre.