



West Sussex Local Dental Committee

**Meeting held on:
Wednesday 11th September 2013 at 6.30 pm
at the White Horse Pub, Storrington**

MINUTES

	Item	Action
	Apologies, attendees & welcome	
	Minutes of the previous meeting DB commented that the minutes showed him giving apologies and also making a comment during the meeting. This inaccuracy was noted. The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.	
	Matters arising RMS – The group briefly discussed the current situation in West Sussex. TH informed the group that the future of the RMS would not be decided locally and that a national pathway would be implemented. He was not able to confirm the timescales for this.	
	Area Team update MB reported that they were working through the end of year reviews. He noted that they are also trying to sort out the NHS net issue. The group had a discussion regarding the Dental Assurance Framework (DAF). MB confirmed that this information will be added to the portal for providers to share with performers. PM and MB acknowledged that this would create additional work for an already small team. The group noted that clawed back UDAs/monies were not being recommissioned. PM commented that the new contract would be phased in rather than a 'big bang' and that UDA rats would probably be standardised. TH provided a brief update on the DAF data. It was confirmed that the next PSG meeting was scheduled for 11 th October.	
	Secretary's report There was nothing for AT to report.	
	Treasurer's report PM informed the group that the LDC pay date is 20 th of the month,	

	paid a month in arrears. He reported that this is decreasing every month and although the finances were healthy for this year, next year a move to % of practice turnover would be required.	
	GDPC Report VW confirmed that he did not attend the previous meeting on 10 th May. He confirmed that key issues discussed included the risk of associate unemployment, advanced care pathways, promotion off ethically sourced instruments, NHS choices and evaluation of pilots	
	Channel TH confirmed that the next meeting would be on 15 th September. This was going to be for Kent, Surrey and Sussex, plus area team representation. He anticipated that this would prevent the need to attend other local LDC meetings. TH agreed to suggest the LDC Treasurers meet to discuss collecting the levy.	
	New ways of working – dental commissioning TH said that the write up of the event was on the WSLDC website.	
	Stakeholders meeting – 24th September TH confirmed that there is an LPN stakeholders meeting on 24 th September to provide an update and discuss the way forward. He noted that he, MB and PM would be attending. Feedback would be added to the website.	
	Communication forum TH explained that other areas were reintroducing Oral Health Advisory Groups and therefore a similar type of group, with a similar remit, was being reintroduced in West Sussex. The aim would be to share information and ideas between primary, secondary and community care services and include education as a regular topic. The group will meet every 4 months and the notes from the meeting will be published on the WSLDC website.	
	Any other business • JC – Ros Walker is the new orthodontic consultant. There is also a new trainee starting in October so referrals for her would be appreciated. • PM - there are now only 4 very part time DPAs covering all of Surrey/Sussex. There will be a push to do more practice visits in Surrey where the programme is behind. • VW – clarification re. NHS net is required. PM suggested that all queries should be directed to Cherie or Jill at the	

	area team. • CH – query re. where to send overweight patients. AT confirmed they would be referred to special care dentistry using the medically compromised category. • CH – noted that she is trying to set up a dental nurse training centre at her surgery. It was agreed that she would send information to EL, to be added to the website. • EL – the website needs more content. He asked members to consider what they would like to be added.	
	Date and venue of next meeting The next full meeting (AGM) is to be held at the White Horse pub in Storrington at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday 13th November 2013.	
	Date and venues of 2013 meetings	

Agreed by the committee on 13th November 2013 and signed by the WSLDC Chair at the meeting.

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