

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP
CHEVIOT PRIMARY CARE CENTRE

Meeting was held on Tuesday 10 May 2016 4pm of Cheviot PPG

PRESENT: Rosanna Read, Sue Wade, Mike Allport, Chris Short, Jan Clucas. Speaker, Mr Booth (Pharmacist, Glendale Pharmacy)

RR welcomed Mr Booth to our Group.

Mr Booth explained that it was always intended that patients should visit the Pharmacist first to obtain advice and/or medication. Certainly for coughs, colds, head lice and general aches and pains. Pharmacists were always happy to give free advice, and treatment where possible. This is free for over 60's, and patients on income related benefits. They cannot prescribe. He agreed to provide a list of ailments that pharmacists can offer advice and treatment on that can be put up in the Surgery or handed out. Costs of medication are very variable and fluid. There are limited number of generic manufacturers, and NHS will always budget first, and Pharmacists/Doctors have to work within those boundaries. Eg. Steroid inhalers – could cost 1.65 each or £65 each depending whether they are taken all the time (expensive) or one offs (cheaper). It was agreed that it had been a very interesting discussion, and RR thanked Mr Booth for giving us his time.

Agenda items –

Apologies Lorna Moore, Teresa Culbertson

Minute Taker Sue Wade

Minutes of the meeting of 15 March were read, agreed and signed.

Matters Arising Defibrillator is still not installed. PCC plan to offer training.

Glendale Festival Stand Chris James from Glendale PPG offered to source BP and Pulse machines. RR to speak to Caroline Douglas about Paramedics attending. Age UK and Diabetes both been contacted and will supply material. Quiz to be made up by Doctors (chase), MA to make a board for Quiz and Banner for Stand. JC to supply list of walks. RR asked SW to contact Mrs Lloyd Harris re more information about stand.

Items for inclusion at next meeting – Glendale Stand Rota to be agreed.

Date of Next Meeting

TUESDAY 12 JULY 2016 AT 4PM