

**Minutes of the PPG Meeting Held at Haughton Thornley Medical Centre,
Thornley Street, Hyde
27 January 2011**

Present:

Bill Burgoine (Chairman)
Yvonne Bennett
Don Hunter
Peter Dulson

Margaret Rickson
Christina Howard
Moya Berry
Mavis Tracey

Patrick Jordan (Practice Manager)
Rosemary Urwin
Ingrid Brindle

Apologies:

Dorothy Burgoine, Dr Amir Hannan, Dr Lisa Gutteridge, Alan Yates, Gill Anderton, Brian Wetherell

1. Welcome:

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting especially new members.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes were agreed as being correct.

3. Dates of Meeting for 2011:

31 March 2011
02 June 2011
29 September 2011
01 December 2011

All meetings are on Thursdays 2-3 pm at Thornley House, Hyde

4. Elections

Chairman	Bill Burgoine
Secretary	Yvonne Bennett
Treasurer	Patrick Jordan

The group agreed with the Chairman and Secretary continuing for another year and the new position of Treasurer being taken by Patrick

5. Health Event - National Heart Month:

February is National Heart Month and **Friday, 25th February is National Wear Red Day**

A special Health promotion day is being arranged by the PPG for that date. Emphasis is will be on healthy eating, exercise quit smoking etc. Patients will be encouraged by PPG members to use the BP machine in the waiting room and take the reading into the doctor/ nurse to have recorded in their records. Healthy eating recipes will be handed to patients and leaflets will be available. There will be a healthy eating taster session. Moya and Ingrid are helping with some leaflets

PPG members will wear something red and hopefully the staff will too. We hope to get some red heart balloons (thankfully Valentine's day is in February so that shouldn't be a problem).

6. LINK Update:

Anyone can visit the LINK web page at www.t3sc.org/link which has all the up-to-date LINK information.

Bill Burgoine was able to give some insight as to the make up of LINK and some of the various organisations involved. He also explained some of the work they do and gave everyone a copy of the newsletter. Everyone was invited to join if they wished.

In the NHS reorganisation planned for 2012 LINK is to be renamed Health Watch. There is some work in progress which will be published very shortly in relation to access to GPs.

7. 1000 Patients with Records Access

We now have over 1,000 patients (1,031 at the last count) and figures are rising daily. Mr Hunter, with others, expressed some concerns about faults on the Record Access system. Patients are not able to read letters which have been scanned into their records, although letters from the Practice can be read. Mr Jordan will advise EMIS (the system supplier) and hopefully these difficulties will be resolved. Perhaps EMIS will be represented at the meeting described in AOB below, and could answer some of these questions.

8. AOB

A conference has been arranged at Bradbury House in Glossop for Friday, 24 June 2011 by Dr Richard Fitton. Hyde PPG has been invited to attend and meet with the PPG from Manor House Surgery. Issues about Record Access, how we use them and what we might want to do with them in the future are among some of the things that will be discussed. More information will be given at a later date. If you feel you would like to take part as a patient you will be most welcome.

The Chairman and the Secretary will prepare a request for funding for the next financial year and then submit it to the Treasurer.

9. How to Contact the PPG

We have our own page on www.htmc.co.uk website. Go to **Patient Zone** and at the bottom of the page is a box where you can make a comment. You could also write your comments and leave in an envelope, addressed to the PPG Secretary, with the Practice Receptionists either Haughton Vale or Thornley House. Patients from both sites are welcome to attend.

The next meeting is to be held:
Thursday 31 March 2011 at 2.00pm
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