Minutes of the meeting held at Thornley House 31st January 2008

Present:

Don Hunter (Chairman)
Bill Burgoine
Moira Hulme
Patrick Jordan (Practice Manager)
Margaret Rickson
Yvonne Stone
Alan Yates

Apologies:

Yvonne Bennett

1) Minutes of last Meeting

a) The minutes of the last meeting were agreed having been made available to all patients via the surgery notice boards or by e-mail.

2) Men's Health Forum

- a) The date of the meeting was set for Thursday 27th March.
- b) The time would be from 18:00 for about 1 hour depending on attendance.
- c) It was requested that a GP or GPs would make themselves available to answer any possible clinical questions. Mr Jordan advised that this would be discussed at the Practice Meeting next Wednesday.
- d) Alan Yates has created an A5 leaflet to be available for Patients at the reception desk. Draft copies were shown to the members.
- e) Don Hunter would have two A3 posters printed with the same details as the flyer, for posting in the waiting room and in the window.

3) Haughton Vale PPG

a) Mr Jordan was able to inform the meeting that the Haughton Vale section of the PPG held a meeting on Monday last.

4) The 2007 Patient Survey

a) No statistics are available for this yet. Completed forms have been submitted to the Analysts for the preparation of the results and should be available soon.

5) Patient Record Access

- a) Mr Jordan was able to add a further update to the initiative started at the last meeting for a PC to be made available for Patients to be shown how to access their Records in the waiting room. He was concerned that the provision of Internet access may require a dedicated dial-up line. Access through the internal Thornley House network may possibly provide users with access to sensitive documentation and possibly other information on other Patients.
- b) Mr Burgoine offered to look into the possibility of restricting this one terminal to accessing the 'Patient Record Access' screens on the Internet only.

- 6) Car Parking
- a) Signs have been erected in the car park advising motorists of the time restrictions for non-Patient users.
- b) This, at least initially, has been seen to have a beneficial effect.

7) Pharmacy

- a) Mr Jordan was able to inform the meeting that plans were being prepared by a pharmacy owner in the Greater Manchester area with a view to opening the pharmacy next door.
- b) He also indicated that this same person was willing to come and meet with the PPG when things were 'firmed up'.
- c) The PCT were beginning a due diligence process on this proposal.
- 8) Any other business
- a) The 'Quality of Care' article from the BMA was drawn to the attention of the members

The next meeting is to be held on Thursday 24th April 17:45 at Thornley House.