

Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Local Pharmaceutical Committee

Chairman: Clare Ingram Vice-Chairman: Neil Crozier Chief Officer: Nick Kaye

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Minutes for meeting CPC LPC Wednesday 15th November 2023.

Confirmation of Committee Members:

CCA: Neil Crozier, Clare Ingram

AIM: Rosie McDermott, Becky Emery

Independents: Ian Bloxham, Chris Naidu

Officers: Nick Kaye, Drew Creek, Phillip Yelling

Apologies: John Varnish, Alexa Dodds

We currently have 1 vacancy which has been offered to CCA

Meeting Start 10:06

CI welcomes all members

CI takes the committee through the minutes. As matters arising attendance was highlighted, if missing 3 meetings.

NK to have that conversation with members.

CI asked that members bring updates when appropriate as to meetings they may have attended.

RMD highlighted that St Austell Healthcare intending to send all contraception patients (500) to Pharmacy.

NC met with Steve Double MP after announcement of Boots Polkyth Closure.

Officers Update

NK talked about his first meeting as a member of ICB board. Recognised how inclusive the Chair John Govett. Primary Care lead is, keen to understand more about Pharmacy. Spending time with Halls Pharmacy on contractor support. Some cancer Pilots referrals made, only place in the country that is live and referring.

DC update on local services with WICS slowing after the summer due largely to flu uptake. Discussion around the future of WICS was had. DC gave an overview of a number of conferences that had been attended in the Autumn months including Pharmacy Show, ICS delivery conference and CPE/LPC conference.

Marco Motta ICB Meds Op Lead

Prescribing is up over 12% above national average, particularly in Truro, East Cornwall and Camelford PCNs. Some anecdotal information around the drivers of these. Discussions in the room around pain and paracetamol prescribing, not realistic to expect people to buy every few days. Cost of living impact on prescribing.

ADHD drugs, some issues with supply from manufacturers. CFT lack of understanding around pharmacy.

Officers to have a conversation with CFT around prescribing and supply expectations.

Paxlovid action to those pharmacies to have stock on site, £150 per sites for training from ICB.

Abbie Wilson WAWY joined the meeting 11:01

Pharmacy closures is causing lots of noise for ICB from GPs with concerns over continuity of care.

Marco talked the committee through the prescribing optimisations priorities including a change in ketone meters and testing strips.

Chris Naidu joined the meeting 11:12

Break 11:20

Return 11:30

Abigail Wilson WAWY

Abi wants to talk about some of the barriers they are facing now. Closures notifications.

AW asked for any issues with supply please flag.

Share email with Abi for Chair.

NK suggested that budgets may be able to look at and review of commissioning which has been fixed for several years.

Officers following feedback from committee, to arrange a meeting with WAWY

Asked for missed dose notifications are dealt with on pharmoutcomes.

Sarah Crawshaw NHS Education joined virtually 12:07

Sarah wanted to talk about the foundation training year.

All recruitment into the 25/26 course will be through Oriel, £26,500 will be available as a grant per. DPP required for each student. Must have a clinical area nominated.

Placements for 25/26 must be submitted on Oriel between January and March 2024.

NK asked about people who may wish to become supervisors with no experience, placement funding and Oriel pitfalls. Online training available for supervisors, some support face to face days. 13 placements do not have to be concurrent. A discussion round the value that a trainee brings to the table.

12:45 - Sponsor Abbey from Pfizer

Break for Lunch 12:50

Returned 13:30

Ian gave a finance update we are on target to come in below budget. Higher spend over the last couple of months for conference travel as previously discussed.

CI wishes to recognise that we have set ourselves up well ahead of the updated guidance.

CI proposed to give delegated authority to Treasurer and Operations Manger to set up CPC to become VAT registered, NC seconded, resolved unanimously voted to accept.

Iain Davidson RCHT Chief Pharmacist – 13:45

ID noted that CP delivered far less COVID vaccination this season and asked the reason. CN noted started late because of NHS implementation, remuneration reduced and less expenses covered by NHSE.

Docify Joined 14:00

DC gave an overview of the Public Health project with a formal review taking place next week with Dr Ruth Goldstein. Reports have been written and will be distributed to the committee.

DC asked if the committee were open to an approach to PH regarding digital notice boards. The committee was minded to explore this further with PH.

PY gave overview of smoking cessation services including voucher scheme. Some questions around funding. CC have Vape starter kits to distribute if LPC are open. Some questions arose as to the appropriateness of this.

PCN funding coming to LPC to distribute, there will be a simple online form to complete to claim.

AOB

NK shared a conversation with John Varnish about an upcoming career break.

The thoughts of the committee that JV has been an established member of the committee and has given a lot of years. Committee feels that it should be a CCA decision but mindful of the impact on the quoracy of the committee.

Coffee break 15:05

Return 15:15

NK shared thoughts on a development day. To set a purpose that we come back to which may have been lost over the years.

Officers to pull together options dates for development day and feed back

Service development

CI recognised that some services had over complicated barriers to overcome. Funding requires looking at.

Officers to create a standardised letter to send to all commissioners to renegotiate contracts. ICB, CC, WAWY.

Can we hold some healthy living champion training in the new year.

IB notified the committee that he is leaving Reeds and moving to Hendra's. CN highlighted as an independent who voted for IB he is happy for him to continue as independent representative. Committee agreed as IB was moving between independents he should continue in role.

Next meeting is Tuesday 7th February 2024 at Newquay Offices.

END 16:00

Next meeting

17th April 2024

19th June 2024

11th September 2024

20th November 2024

5th February 2025