BEECHFIELD MEDICAL CENTRE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2015 – TUESDAY 5 MAY 2015

In attendance:

Tim Barzycki	Chair
Joolz Wright	
Annette Chapman	
Mark Underwood	
Rita Mitchell	
Linda Walters	
John Marriott	
Don McGeorge	Practice Manager

Apologies

- Dr Corlett Jean Close Anna Fisher Sue Dawson Heather Brookes Paula Tippler
 - 1. Chairman's Report and Annual review: Tim went through the range of issues that had been covered over the year, which was actually quite considerable. These included:
 - Development of Terms of reference and a Constitution for the Group
 - Improved online information through the PPG page on the newly developed and very comprehensive website.
 - DNA information had been changed to put a positive spin on the data rather than the previous negative one.
 - Membership of the National Association of PPGs had been obtained.
 - The Group had organised visits and discussions with various Practice Senior Staff as well as Healthwatch Lincolnshire, and a range of visits and discussions had already been programmed for the year ahead.
 - The group had been involved in wide ranging discussions on a number of relevant issues, and had also been involved in discussions in relation to NHS Retirement Fellowship, Bluestream Training and the general difficulties in recruiting new GPs – a national issue rather than purely a local one.
 - The Chair, had also attended various meetings on behalf of the Group, as well as his involvement at the CQC inspection in February 2015.

2. Election of Officers for 2015/16:

- a. **Chair:** Tim stated that he was willing to continue in the role if there were no other candidates, but was equally happy to step down to allow another to take the Chair. There were no other candidates, and Tim was re-elected.
- b. Vice Chair: Tim felt it was important to have a Vice Chair as there were going to be occasions when he was unavailable and it would make sense to have another individual to take the role for meetings. After discussion, Joolz Wright volunteered to take on this role, there being no other candidates, and was duly elected.
- c. **Secretary**: In light of the silence that descended at this point, Don agreed to carry on in this role.
- d. **Events Coordinator**: Rita Mitchell felt that this was a role that she could undertake, and she was duly elected.

3. Plan for the Year Ahead:

A wide ranging discussion ensured, and it was agreed that various issues would be looked at over the year ahead – alternative transport for appointments, the Care Act, the Electronic Care Package, Improving Access for Young People, Mental Health Issues and Coordinated Services for the Frail Elderly to name a few. However, this was tempered with the view that all may change following the election on 7 May, and a clearer picture would emerge after that date.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 1940