Minutes of the LDC Meeting held 19th June 2017 at the Kinmel Manor Hotel Abergele

Present

Cath Dubourg, G Lloyd, I Douglas, M Horton, J Williams, D Plunkett, Dan Naylor, R Shaw, A Walton, Ette Ntekim, Aled Thomas, Raj Jotangia.

Apologies

S Mawson, S Sandham, T Gregg, A Hawkes, Yvonne Hopkins.

The previous minutes were approved as a true record.

Matters Arising.

LHB Recurrent/Non Recurrent Funding

Letters have sent out inviting tenders for recurrent funding in areas of need.

Invitations have also been sent out in respect of non recurrent funding.

A panel will convene on the 19th July sift the PQQs and the whole process is expected to take around 4-6 months.

LHB Restructure

No developments but today a bulletin was published inviting interest to attend a meeting on the development of a Dental Services Directorate hosted by one of the area teams.

Letter to be sent to Bethan Jones enquiring as the nature of the meeting and whether LDC /BDA are to be invited. ACTION ID

LDC Website

Now up and running. Needs a CDS Page and the recent minutes uploading but generally looking good

Dan Naylor offered to look at setting up a facebook page with a view to getting younger dentists interested in ACTION DN

Consideration will be given by DN to taking over the role of Secretary with JW taking over as Chair over the next 12-24 months

LDC Elections

Nominations forms to be posted on the LDC website and elections will be held depending on the numbers of expressions of interest. ACTION ID

LDC LHB Meeting expenses

Panel meeting expenses are the sticking point. The LHB have gone away to check regs and will come back to us

Contract reform

A meeting was held with the CDO in N Wales and 4 LDC members were in attendance.

The Committee was appraised of the proposals being mooted by the CDO.

A discussion was held around the falling UDAs being delivered across Wales

[85% of contracts under delivered]. There is also a falling spend on GDS across Wales

BCULHB are the second worst in Wales in terms of underspend.

Defibrillators

The LHB will not be funding new defibrillators.

LDC Conference

A Paediatric dentist gave a chat on the importance of seeing children before their first birthday.

The difficulty of delivering UDAs was discussed along with the £100m underspend in England.

Prototypes are generally seen as failing but the BDA are committed to continuing a dialogue with the DoH.

The decision was taken to withdraw from negotiations with the DDRB because of their continual refusal to consider arguments put forward by the BDA.

AoB

Emma Woolley has been appointed as the new Director of Medical and Dental Education for BCU. It is unclear how this will affect Dental Education in the long term.

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I Douglas stated his intention to resign his position a Secretary of the LDC.

He has been appointed to an Adviser to the LHB.

Chairs Correspondence

None

Secs Correspondence

None

Treasurers Report

Reserve Account £1957.79

Current Account £21,693.10

Total £23650.89

Orthodontics

Waiting lists unchanged

Restorative

New referrals are being placed on a backlog waiting list with the exception of urgent cases that will be triaged and routed as appropriate.

Practitioners are advised to continue referring as normal. ACTION ID ask the LHB what is going on

GDPC

Nothing of significance

Elections will be coming up and a vacancy will be coming up for north wales along with 2 places on BDA Welsh Council

WGDPC

Meeting on the 14th July

Dental Health in N Wales

No report

Dental Advisers

SM incapacitated by a knee injury till August.

Main concern at the moment is mentoring GDPs wanting to come onto the performers list.

No clinical dental director is to be appointed in the near future.

NWOHSG

The meeting was cancelled

LHB/LDC Liaison Gp meeting

Report attached.

A discussion was held around the IT Service.

Concerns were raised over the fact that an Audit has been carried out but there was a perceived lack of transparency.

Concerns were also raised over the fact that is has been mooted that the Service may be used as a training opportunity.

Primary Care Contractors Meeting

The new pharmacy contract is having a detrimental effect on salaries

X Border issues

IT issues

Not enough training places for graduates

Optometrists

Over 60s losing free eye tests

IT issues

Medics

Significant shortages in doctors and the number of Practices handing back contracts are increasing

Clusters very medic focussed

Next LDC meeting

2nd October 2017 and 8th January 2018