Minutes of the LDC Meeting 14th December 2015,

Kinmel Manor, Abergele.

Present.

Ette Ntekim, Raj Jotangia, A Walton, C DuBourg, Stuart Mawson, I Douglas, G Lloyd, Dan Naylor, Jeremy Williams, Ben Lewis, Sandra Sandham, Rob Shaw

Apologies.

Andy Hawkes, Mick Horton, Dave Plunkett.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as a true record.

Matters Arising.

The LDC election results were correct but a typo omitted Ian Douglas and put in Mick Horton twice.

Concerns were raised about the Interim Tier in the East.

Emma Woolley is aware of the concerns and they are being addressed.

Restorative Consultant

Cancer cases are being dealt with as are implant patients in Liverpool.

Children should be sorted through paediatric specialists.

A perio pathway will be developed in the New Year.

There is still no news on a replacement for Tom Nisbet

Clusters.

I Douglas attended a Primary Care Group meeting with the LMC LOC LPC and members of the Health Board. The emphasis of the meeting was focussed on the development of Cluster groups across N Wales and although at this stage there is no real dental involvement Bernie Cuthell from the Health Board will attend a future LDC meeting with a view to giving the Committee an insight into the vision for Clusters.

Scaler Tips.

HIW is recommending that it is not sufficient to just autoclave the scaler tips between patients but the whole handpiece should be decontaminated.

Practices are advised to take note if they are due to be inspected

CPG Restructuring

The management structure is being developed but as elections are due in May nothing concrete is likely to happen soon.

There is the possibility that Betsi could be broken up into smaller areas.

Mid Year Reviews are taking place by the Health Board. Some practices are being visited but not all.

Orthodontics

A new part time Orthodontic Consultant is starting in Wrexham Maelor in the new year. Succession planning in the west is being considered. New referral forms are now being used.

DF Training

Jonathan Cowpe is retiring as the Head of Post Grad Education. David Thomas [the former CDO] will act as a temporary replacement.

Satisfactory completion has been introduced for DF dentists that considers standards achieved by the DF. This has caused some angst this year but Dr Shaw is optimistic that once the initial problems have been overcome then the system will be an improved one.

The 10 site ring fencing for N Wales DF places has been removed.

Chairmans Correspondence

None

Secretarys Correspondence.

None

Treasurers Report.

Current £20100.00

Reserve £1956.78

Total £22056.78

The BDA have asked for a contribution of £25 per GDP from LDCs for the dental guild and contributions for the Ben fund and Sick dentist scheme

GDPC.

No report

WGDPC.

Written report provided

Dental Health in N Wales.

An access report has been produced. Betsi is 2nd worst in Wales and deteriorating.

Dental Advisers.

There is a meeting with Fraser Cambell next Thursday with a view to recruiting another adviser.

Primary Care Liaison Group Meeting

All covered above.

Next Meeting 14th March 2016