

# ***Morgannwg Local Dental Committee***

## **Secretary's Report 24<sup>th</sup> July 2012**

Apart from the usual housekeeping I have attended, together with the Chair and Vice-Chair, the LDC/LHB Liaison Group Meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> June. I have met with and attempted to advise a number of colleagues on contractual matters and disputes and made representations to the relevant localities on their behalf.

There are a number of performance issues ongoing at present and together with other LDC officials I have sat on relevant panels and where not involved in the panel process I have attempted to advise colleagues on their handling of difficult situations. It is disappointing that these performance issues arise but in our experience the Health Board makes every attempt to resolve issues locally without referral to higher bodies, a situation that we encourage and support. My experience of representing colleagues to the Localities is that every attempt has been made by officials to treat colleagues in a fair manner, which is encouraging.

In addition to this both the Chair and Vice-Chair are involved in mentoring colleagues at present following performance panels. We have to spread ourselves around a little because a person who is advising a colleague is unable to sit on a performance panel relating to that colleague and will be unable to mentor that colleague. Volunteers to take part in these processes would help to ease the pressures, but we do appreciate that these things take part during the day and this can be difficult for some colleagues

I have arranged that a presentation of the Pilot schemes will take place at the Postgraduate Centre at Morriston Hospital on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012. Paul Ridgewell and Richard Jones have agreed to give an account of the progress of their pilots and we will invite all providers and performers from ABMU localities to attend. I plan that there will also be some input from Designed to Smile.

Finally, a reminder that the BGM will take place in March / April 2013. Potential officials please note.

Roger Pratley  
Secretary