

**Minutes of The LDC Meeting held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 at  
the Holiday Inn Express, Llandarcy.**

**Members Present.**

Anwen Hopkins in the chair, Roger Pratley, Allison Walker, Richard Woods, Huw Hopkins, Tesni Metcalf, Rhys Griffiths, Ken Chow, Ruwa Kadenhe, Lesley Hotson-Hicks, Mark Harris, James Davies, Rachel Coles, Simon Bond, Siddarth Gupta, Paul Fraser.

**In Attendance.**

Chris Wills-Wood, Sian and Phil Majoe, Pam Norman, John Vaughan, Simone Davies, Samantha Edwards, Rhian Jones, Andrew Williams, William Howell.

**Apologies for Absence.**

James Bater, Chris Woods, Richard Herbert, Helen John, Mary Wilson, Rob Elliott, Karl Bishop, Ali Abdelbagi, Barrie David, Darril Williams.

**19/01 Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.**

Minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true and correct record.

**19/02 Matters Arising.**

18/67 a donation of £3000 to BDA Benevolent fund was agreed.

**19/03 Secretary's Report.**

All items included in this report would be discussed under other agenda items - all relevant documents had been emailed previously

**19/04 Chair's Report.**

To be discussed under other relevant agenda items. The Chair had not attended any meetings on behalf of the LDC.

**19/05 Treasurer's Report and LDC Finance.**

The balances now stood at: -	Current account	£1195.97
	Deposit account	£29813.09

The Treasurer reported the loss of 74 Bridgend dentist levy payments would equate to £9100 p/a. This could lead to an increase in payments for the remaining Morgannwg dentists. The Treasurer will monitor funds going forward.

The LDC Insurance had been paid.

There was some doubt if Foundation Dentists paid the levy. The Treasurer to investigate.

## **19/06 Delegates' Reports.**

### **1. LDC/LHB Liaison Group**

- a. UDA uplift payments had now been received.
- b. Occupation Health – there was no update
- c. SPA – there was no update
- d. HIW complaint was discussed – to update under relevant agenda item
- e. Non-recurrent funding is to become available although there was no specific amount as yet. It will have to be allocated before 31/03/2019
- f. Syrian refugees – it is mandatory for the LHB to provide a service to these patients, £100,000 was to be made available this was to treat approximately 130 patients per year. Looking at the CDS providing this service as it would be easier for them to use an interpreter as opposed to dental practices having to use language line to communicate with patients.

### **2. Domiciliary Services**

A meeting had been held to discuss the future of domiciliary services. The LHB seemed keen on referral management centre being put in place to be run by the CDS - it was felt the CDS did not have the manpower available.

There had been 417 domiciliary visits by CDS in a one-year period and it was felt the CDS were not able to offer a service any different to the one offered by GDS. OOH domiciliary service was being discussed as it was felt housebound patients should not be disadvantaged although priority was to deliver a quality in hours service.

There was no e referral process in place, nor planned, for domiciliary services.

## **19/07 Update on Current Ongoing Issues**

1. **E Referrals** – No update.
2. **Single Point of Access** – as of 24<sup>th</sup> January all referrals routine and urgent are to be sent to the Referral Management Centre (RMC). Patients requiring urgent care are to be offered appointments within the 48 hours following receipt of the referral at the RMC. It was felt this would disadvantage vulnerable patients and increase the need for antibiotic prescribing. Relying on the post as opposed to emailing referrals was also felt to be a factor in the delay of treatment. It was generally the referral pathway was to become over complicated when currently it worked well. The secretary to write to Kim Dunn regarding concerns.

## **19/08 Loss of Documents by HIW**

Correspondence had been emailed previously.

It was felt the response from Stuart Fitzgerald at HIW had not answered the questions, but he had now offered to attend the next LDC meeting along with the CDO Collette Bridgeman. Both to be invited to attend the next meeting and the CDO to be asked to give an update on contract Reform.

Any issues relating to HIW matters to be emailed to the Secretary by the end of January. He will then prepare a document for HIW to receive before the next meeting; this will give them time to prepare responses.

### **19/09 Non-recurrent Additional Funding**

Colleagues had been emailed previously to ask for suggestions as to how any non-recurrent funding might be used.

It was agreed that any formula should include a representation of NHS commitment and should be offered to all practices. Initially it was felt that any awards should be based on contract value but it was decided that a fairer formula would be based in UDA numbers, since UDA values would not then be introduced into the equation. The HB were to be informed of this.

### **19/10 Bridgend Exit- update and consideration of financial consequences to LDC**

Emailed to all previously and discussed under other agenda item.

Alison Herbert Davies had emailed previously asking for an idea of some of the questions GDPs would need answers to regarding the move. They wish to compile a list of FAQ and answers to be mailed to GDPs.

Any questions or concerns to be emailed to the Secretary.

Tim Phillips, Chair of Bro Taf LDC had confirmed there were 4 spaces to be made available on Bro Taf LDC for Bridgend members. Currently there were seven representatives from the Bridgend area on Morgannwg LDC.

Some Bridgend members expressed that they did not want to attend Bro Taf LDC.

### **19/11 Morgannwg LDC Proposed New Constitution**

Emailed to all previously for information. The constitution will have to change in terms of wording and numbers and possibly name, bearing in mind the proposed name change of the health board. To be formally considered in the May LDC meeting.

### **19/12 Morgannwg LDC representation on WDC and WGDPC**

There will need to be changes in the representation bearing in mind that Anwen Hopkins will no longer be an eligible practitioner and therefore unable to be the chair after 1<sup>st</sup> April.

The LDC representative on the WDC is the chair of the LDC and therefore there will need to be new representation after 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019.

The LDC representative on the WGDPC is determined by election organised by BDA Wales every 3 years. The current representative is Anwen Hopkins, and it is just over one year into the triennium. Discussion will take place with the Director, BDA Wales on the possible solutions and reported at the next meeting.

### **19/13 BGM**

The BGM was due to be held in April 2019 – it was decided to put off until Bridgend had moved to Bro Taff UHB. September 2019 was suggested as the earliest date and confirmation of the date will be left until the May LDC meeting.

Similarly, the list of retirees from the current LDC was circulated and this would be considered at the May meeting.

**19/14 Suggested meeting dates for 2019**

Emailed to all previously. Dates agreed.

**19/15 Any Other Business**

The deanery would now only allow 12 members of staff to attend in house CPR courses. This was difficult for larger practices and would incur considerable cost both monetary and time if more than one course had to be held. It was suggested to ask other local practices if they had spaces on their next courses.

**19/16 Date and Time of Next Meeting.**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 19.00, venue to be confirmed.

DRAFT