

***Minutes of The LDC Meeting held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at  
the Education Centre, Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend.***

***Members Present.***

Anwen Hopkins in the chair, Roger Pratley, Allison Walker, Chris Woods, Richard Woods, Huw Hopkins, Tesni Metcalf, Rhys Griffiths, Ken Chow, Ruwa Kadenhe, Lesley Hotson-Hicks, Rachel Coles, Ewart Johnstone, James Bater, Rhys Griffiths, Steve Gould, Dharmini Martin.

***In Attendance.***

Chris Wills-Wood, Sian and Phil Majoe, Andrew Turpy, Cheryl Roach Price, Rhian Jones, Jeff Hinton, Pam Norman, Barrie David, Darrel Williams, Samantha Edwards.  
Karl Bishop, Lyndsay Davies, Kim Dunn, Craige Wilson, Allison Green, Adam Porter, Tim Phillips, Katrina Clarke.

***Apologies for Absence.***

Mark Harris, Simon Bond, Helen John, Paul Fraser, Rhian Paul, Mary Wilson, Rob Elliott, James Davies, Simone Davies.

***18/62 Presentation and Discussions related to administrative transfer of Bridgend Dental Practices from ABMUHB to Cwm Taf UHB.***

Members had expressed concerns lack of information about the transfer of Bridgend colleagues from ABMUHB to Cwm Taf UHB on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019 and the LDC invited Primary Care officials from both health boards in order to update members on progress so far and what is likely to be the situation going forward. Lindsay Davies and Kim Dunn attended on behalf of ABMUHB and Craige Wilson and Allison Green on behalf of Cwm Taf UHB. Karl Bishop and Chris Wills-Wood were in attendance at the meeting. Also invited were Katrina Clarke, DPA Cwm Taf UHB and Tim Phillips and Adam Porter, Chair and Vice-Chair of Bro Taf LDC.

Lindsay Davies chaired the session and the main points to emerge that had already been decided were as follows:

- Contract values of Bridgend practices would be honoured after the transfer, including the UDA uplift to £25.00.
- All referral pathways for Bridgend dentists will stay as they are until further notice. All existing referrals will be honoured.
- All Bridgend practices currently taking part in the ABMU out of hours service and in-hours access sessions will continue to do so. This is because Cwm Taf UHB have not yet adopted the 111 service.
- The point was raised that the £1200 CPD allowance, paid proportionally on application in ABMUHB, was part of the contract value in Cwm Taf UHB. This will need to be taken into consideration and a decision will have to be made on what will happen with regard to Bridgend dentists.

Tim Phillips, chair of Bro Taf LDC informed the meeting that they did not have the capacity to take on all 7 current LDC members from Bridgend and that doing so would not be proportionate to the current representation on the LDC. Disappointment was expressed by members and the issue will be discussed at a Bro Taf LDC meeting.

### **18/63 Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.**

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

### **18/64 Matters Arising.**

18/57 – uplift of UDA values to £25.00 – all practices had now received their uplift to £25, although there were reports of difficulty understanding the reporting on schedule.

### **18/65 Secretary's Report.**

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

### **18/66 Chair's Report.**

The Chair's Report had been emailed with the meeting documents.

HIW – there was concern that HIW were going to take 5 years to complete the first wave of inspections. The original contract was an inspection every 3 years, this had now been modified to 100 practices a year. This was not felt to be sufficient by Health Boards - ABMU is considering carrying out its own regular practice visits every 3 years.

A letter had been sent to all GDPs in ABMU from Karl Bishop, Unit Dental Director. If scheduled an HIW inspection, a visit from DPA would be offered to provide support and advice prior to inspection. DPAs would also be made available to attend the feedback session held at the end of every inspection if required by the practice. KB suggested that GDPs should be encouraged to take up these offers of support based on the positive experiences of those that have done so to date.

### **18/67 Treasurer's Report and LDC Finance.**

In the absence of the Treasurer it was reported that the balances now stood at: -

Current account:	£31465.52
Deposit account:	£831.51

The Secretary to discuss a donation to the BDA Benevolent Fund with the Treasurer.

### **18/68 Delegates' Reports.**

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

The report of the meeting had been emailed with the meeting documents.

Flu inoculation clinics for dentists and staff will be available from the week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> December. A practice has reported they are still unable to contact Occupational Health and their staff are still not registered. The secretary to take to the next meeting for discussion.

#### **2. Orthodontic MCN**

The e referral form was running behind and was anticipated to be in place by January 2019.

Practices will be given 6 weeks' notice before it comes into place. There will be a standardised referral form.

GDPs to be asked to stop referring patients too early as this was clogging up the referral system and causing a large backlog.

### **18/69 Update on Current Ongoing Issues**

1. **E Referrals** – discussed other agenda item 18/68 2, but this applied to all referrals.
2. **Single Point of Access** – there was no update.
3. **Contract reform** – Innovation fund, awaiting WG. There were 73 applications across Wales; they will be informed before Christmas as reported in Item 18/66.

The DDRB uplift of 2.77% had been confirmed in Wales, although there was no date as yet. All practices were encouraged to apply for contract reform as this was felt to be the way forward.

### **18/70 Loss of Documents by HIW**

The LDC letter of complaint to HIW and the HIW response had been circulated with the meeting papers.

It was felt the response from Stuart Fitzgerald at HIW had not satisfactorily answered the questions put to them. After considerable discussion the Secretary was instructed to refer the matter to IOC and to inform HIW that it has done this, together with the reasons for the referral.

The BDA are also to pick up this issue and the Chief Executive of HIW had been asked to attend the next WDC to discuss.

### **18/71 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.

### **18/72 Documents for Information**

The documents had been emailed with the meeting papers

12.1 WHC (2018) 019- getting the Balance Right in Wales

12.2 Quality and Safety Assurance in GDS in Wales

### **18/73 Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

### **18/61 Date and Time of Next Meeting.**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 at 19.00, at Holiday Inn Express, Llandarcy.