


Rother Valley South Primary Care Network (PCN)

Dinnington Group Practice, Kiveton Park Medical Practice, Swallownest Health Centre
and The Village (Thurcroft) Surgery

Rother Valley South Primary Care Network Community Health Forum


Tuesday 25th July 2023 (Held Via Zoom)

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| Co Chairs | Dr Tim Douglas, Tony Cowgill |
| Attendees | As per invitation list |
| Absent/ Apologise | Several apologies received in advance. |

| Item | | Action |
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| 1 | <p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All thanked for attendance, reiterated benefits of forum and purpose, mutual flow of information and healthcare between GP Practices, Community and Public. An increasing number of local services are highlighted on our new PCN website | <p>PCN website-</p> <p>Rother Valley South PCN</p> |
| 2 | <p>GP Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr Douglas highlighted the ongoing benefits of health partnerships following an overview of Rother Valley South's Health Inequality Strategy. He gave insight based on extensive personal experience in primary care. He emphasised the benefit of numerous flows of information from different perspectives, including patient led and talked about the joys of partnership working, our own health forum being a prime example. He acknowledged however certain barriers to genuine partnerships and gave examples of current and future progress. Forum members were asked please to feedback their views and any suggestions, autism care being an example. | |
| 3 | <p>Patient Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update from Andrea at Healthwatch, further input to be provided at future meetings Link provided by Sarah B as a working example of community integration https://swallownesthealthcentre.co.uk/patient-newsletters/ as well as a link to RMBC Health Inequality Strategy which our PCN is in partnership with. Building issues discussed at their latest PPG Ongoing developments at Thurcroft. New members at Kiveton and Dinnington. | <p style="text-align: center;"> Spotlight shares July 23.pdf</p> <p>W rotherham deaf futures report.docx</p> |

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| 4 | Community Services <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Background and overview of BU Group at Dinnington, initially set up to provide specific bereavement support, has developed into regular successful general social provision with many organised activities. Dr Douglas reported great patient feedback.• Christine gave service updates from Working Win including partnership with new provider.• Julie reiterated community responsibility for healthcare and developing local facilities and with an emphasis on joint up care• New carer facilities in community venues |  Carers navigation service poster.docx |
| 4 | Any other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appeal to the forum for ideas regarding potential unmet patients in our area with unmet needs, and how we can develop health equity for all.• Message from Tracey White, Community Connector re new group- <p>As per our conversation, I can confirm that Andy's Man Club now has a base in the South of the Borough (along with the group in Wath upon Dearne and Brinsworth):</p> <p>The Brooklands Club, 110 Rotherham Road, Maltby, ROTHERHAM. S66 8NA</p> <p>As per other venues, they meet on Monday evenings, 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m., except bank holidays.</p> <p><u>Andy's Man Club</u></p> <p>The group is a is a peer-to-peer support group open to any man over the age of 18, across the borough, regardless of where they live.</p> <p>"a talking group, a place for men to come together in a safe environment to talk about issues and problems they have faced or are currently facing"</p> | |

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| | <p>Jason Darbyshire, one of the group facilitators said: "We gather for a brew and a chat. It's raw and real, with laughter and sometimes tears. The hardest thing will be taking the first step into the club; we've all experienced that and felt that was the hardest part of the night."</p> <p>"Our ethos is simple – 'it's good to talk'. It's like a brotherhood when you walk through the doors. I have never experienced anything like this in my 25 year career of social care. To date we have supported over 40 men and I know the number will grow!"</p> <p>Please feel free to share.</p> | |
| 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next Meeting - Tue 31st October 2023 | |