**Minutes for the LDC meeting on June 16th 2015 at St Olaves Hotel, 7pm**

1. Apologies – Iain Mackenzie, Will Newport

In attendance – Committee members – Hedley Saunders, Martin Buckle, Robert McKenna, Ian Mills, Richard Kerr, Clive Pidgeon, Alister Green, David Lee, Bruce Pearson, Timothy Hodges, Malcolm Prideaux, Ian Stuckey.

Guests – Andrew Rochester, Robert Mew, Jeremy Rowe, Oksana Molodyka, Richard Michael.

1. Minutes of the last meeting – signed as a true copy by MB
2. Matters ongoing and arising
   1. Audits – IM, DL and RK are yet to return their edited audits to MP.

These must be sent within the next 2 weeks

* 1. Improving engagement/ communication with our electorate – update from Will Newport – WN not present

TH – WN is working on the website and TH meeting with him shortly to discuss further.

RM – Would like to see updated website and newsletter with info on current affairs and meeting dates.

IM – Do you expect info from LDCs to be on a national or local level?

RM – LDC needs to be the focal point for disseminating info such as referral pathways etc.

AG – The website could also have job advertisements.

OM – Would like links to NHS information.

Concern was expressed about the lack of progress on the website but TH meeting soon with WN to discuss further.

* 1. Occupational Health

Now being run by Haytor Health as of 1st June.

Email was circulated 28th May 2015 with details of the offer.

1. Correspondence
   1. Has there been a reply from letter to COPDEND?

No because MB has not yet resent the letter.

1. Reports from:

LDN – Meeting cancelled and moved to July

PAG – Attended by AG

* About 17-18 cases
* 3 whistleblowing cases
* Very important the LDC attends as only 2 dentists in attendance.

GDPC – IM unable to attend

* Minutes still to circulate
* There are concerns that the GDPC is centred on practice principles and that associates are not well represented.

PASS – MB – no new cases

BP – concerned that given the increase in numbers at PAG, the numbers in PASS do not match.

IS – PASS relies on the dentists involved choosing to be involved.

Joint meeting between Devon and Cornwall LDCs – No meeting

MP – LDC levies have not been deducted on the schedules since April.

* We did not know to instruct the LAT that our levy would remain unchanged.
* Decided that the unpaid money would be spread over the rest of the year.

Managed Orthodontic Network – MP attended

* Review of orthodontic services by Rob Whitton and Mile Cox will form the basis for the commissioning or ortho services.
* In Devon and Plymouth there was apparently a surplus and Cornwall and Torbay a deficit.
* The information used was up to 5 years old and extremely inaccurate.
* They agreed to look at it again
* Awaiting minutes of the meeting
* Rob Whitton is refusing to publish his data.
* The data was presented to the LAT a year ago.
* LDC to express concern about this situation. AG to write a draft letter for MB to send.

LDC Annual Conference – Attended by TH, MB, HS and MP

* Report stored.

1. Any other business
   1. CPD event – agreed to have a nominal fee of about £10 - £15 but further discussion needed.
   2. HS – Devon referral service is having an effect because the OS department are complaining they are not getting enough patients.
   3. IS – FDs applying to joining the performer list need all documents in by 1st August because they are being processed by only one person.

Next Meeting 22nd September

Meeting Closed 10pm