

# DORSET LOCAL PHARMACEUTICAL COMMITTEE

**ANNUAL REPORT** 

**AND** 

**ACCOUNTS 2016 - 2017** 

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# **MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE**

The following served on the Committee from 1st April 2016:

**Independent Contractors** 

Mr Steve Costello Mr Robin Mitchell Mr Phil Allen (joined 1/4/16)

AIMp Contractor

Mr Michael Idu

**Company Chemists Association** 

Mrs Fiona Arnold Mrs Janette Best Mr Garwyn Morris Miss Claire Rossiter Mr Conroy Van Wyk Mrs Mandy West

# **OFFICERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

Chair Mr Steve Costello
Vice-Chair Mrs Fiona Arnold
Chief Officer Mrs Amanda Moores
Treasurer Mr Robin Mitchell

#### Introduction

I am not sure that many could have predicted all that has happened during 2016/17. In June our country voted to leave the EU in the Referendum, resulting in a new Prime Minister and a new Pharmacy Minister being appointed and across the water Americans elected Donald Trump as their new President.

In amongst all of this in October the government imposed the contract for community pharmacy, but both PSNC and the NPA won the right to Judicial Review of the funding cuts for community pharmacy. In preparation for the Judicial Review PSNC worked with PwC and contractors to collect data about the value of community pharmacy. The report produced clearly shows the importance and value that community pharmacy adds to support the health needs of the nation.

At the end of the year we also saw the closure of Pharmacy Voice.

Set out below is a summary of the work that Dorset LPC has completed this year.

# 1. Working with Commissioners

## a) NHSE Wessex

For many years first in Dorset PCT and then as part of the NHSE Wessex team we have worked with Julia Booth and Les Riggs. During this year they have both taken on new roles, Julia Booth is the Deputy Head of Primary Care for Wessex and Les Riggs is the Contracts Manager for Pharmacy and Optometry.

Over the past year the committee has met regularly with representatives from NHSE Wessex at their offices and at LPC meetings. Joint working has seen another very successful year for the NHS Flu Vaccination Advanced Service with a significant number of pharmacies across Dorset offering the service to patients.

The Local Professional Network (LPN) has developed and launched the Pharmacy Urgent Repeat Medicines (PURM) service. This enhanced service has been jointly commissioned by NHSE Wessex and Dorset CCG. The service has been welcomed by NHS111 and is proving invaluable for supporting patients who need urgent access to repeat medicines.

The National Urgent Medicines Supply Advanced Service (NUMSAS) was announced this year and locally it is in the process of going live. This will work in a different way to PURM and will only be accessible via referral from NHS111.

During this year the LPN has also worked on workforce data for pharmacy across Wessex and supporting community pharmacies to achieve Quality Payments.

# b) Public Health Dorset (PHD)

Throughout 2016/17 Dorset LPC has had meetings and contact with PHD. The Services and Implementation Lead (SAIL) for the committee has spent considerable amounts of time liaising with PHD to resolve issues of PGDs for services.

In January 2017 PHD extended the contracts for some of the services provided by community pharmacies.

As a committee we have continued to support contractors with queries regarding the Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) which is used by PHD for commissioning services from providers.

# c) Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

Dorset LPC has met regularly with representatives of Dorset CCG throughout 2016/17 and the committee have been informed about developments and changes.

During 2016/17 Dorset CCG completed the public consultation as part of the Clinical Services Review (CSR) of healthcare across the county.

# 2. Working with other organisations

### Dorset County Hospital (DCH) and Wessex Academic Health Science Network (AHSN)

During this year the LPC has continued to work with DCH and Wessex AHSN on a hospital discharge project which involves the hospitals referring patients to their regular community pharmacy for a variety of services, for example, MUR, NMS, flu vaccination, smoke stop.

The concept of referral benefiting patients has now been proved and thanks to all the pharmacies who have supported this project. DCH now include referral to the community pharmacist as routine part of the discharge process for their patients.

# 3. Contract applications

The LPC has been notified of, and where relevant responded to, the following contract applications:

May 2016: Case 2016-01 ABC, Wareham – change of ownership – granted

May 2016: Case 2016-03 Sandford Pharmacy, Wareham - change of ownership - granted

June 2016: Case 2016-04 Angel Pharmacy, Crescent Street, Weymouth – change of ownership - granted

June 2016: Case 2016-05 Angel Pharmacy, Radipole Road, Weymouth – change of ownership - granted

June 2016: Case 2016-06 Angel Pharmacy, Buxton Road, Weymouth – change of ownership – **granted** 

June 2016: Case 2016-07 Angel Pharmacy, Abbotsbury Road, Weymouth – change of ownership - **granted** 

June 2016: Case 2016-08 Day Lewis, Chickerell – change of ownership – granted

June 2016: Case 2016-09 Stalbridge Pharmacy, Sturminster Newton – change of ownership – **granted** 

June 2016: Case 2016-10 Colehill Pharmacy, Wimborne – change of ownership - granted

February 2017: CAS-16946-C7Q0V3 Ramtohal Ltd, Highcliffe – future need – **not yet determined** 

March 2017: CAS-55928-J5V3W6 Lloyds Pharmacy, Lymington Road, Highcliffe – change of ownership – **granted** 

March 2017: CAS-51978-T2D3Y8 Lloyds Pharmacy, Medical Centre, Highcliffe – change of ownership – granted

March 2017: CAS-87199-X4F3C1 Boots, Ferndown – relocation – not yet determined

March 2017: CAS-94043-M4D3N0 AMG Healthcare, Kinson – relocation – **not yet determined** 

March 2017: CAS-97062-M6B5Z1 Rowlands, Purewell – consolidation – **not yet determined** 

March 2017: CAS-65967-M2G8T9 Wessex Pharmacies Ltd, Somerford – change of ownership - granted

From February 2017 Primary Care Support England (PCSE) took over responsibility of managing contract applications on behalf of NHSE, hence the change in case numbers. The amount of time and resource that is required to respond to these contract applications and subsequent appeals is considerable.

Day Lewis Pharmacy, Penn Hill, Poole closed on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016. For the first time in many years we have seen a change in the number of contractors and there are now 155

community pharmacies and 3 dispensing appliance contractors in Dorset. There is likely to be further change to the number of pharmacy contractors as more consolidation applications are received.

# 3. External factors that influenced pharmacy and LPC activity

The DoH "consultation" on community pharmacy continued for the first few months of 2016/17. The outcome of which was that pharmacy was given a small window of reprieve but it made no changes to the outcome in terms of the funding cuts.

The campaign for supporting community pharmacy has continued throughout the year and the committee has taken the opportunity to meet with a number of the MPs for Dorset to discuss the issues facing community pharmacy across the county.

With negotiations stalled the government imposed the contract on community pharmacy in October 2016.

# 4. Consultation responses

In 2016/17 Dorset LPC responded to the following consultations:

May 2016: Department of Health – Community Pharmacy 2016-17 & beyond

May 2016: Department of Health – Human Medicines Regulations 2016 – hub and spoke dispensing

June 2016: General Pharmaceutical Council – Consultation on standards for pharmacy professionals

June 2016: The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence – Consultation on community pharmacy promoting health and wellbeing.

# 5. Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of Contractors was held over lunch of the September committee meetings and the savings have been used to channel resources into training evenings and contractor support.

In November 2016 an Extraordinary General Meeting was called for contractors to vote on the Provider Company that has been developed across the four LPCs in South Central.

# 6. Training events

This year the LPC has delivered/supported a number of face to face training events, which have complemented other events delivered by Public Health Dorset & CPPE. All events were very well attended:

May 2016 – Community Pharmacy Reforms. This event was jointly hosted with RPS Wessex with presentations from Sue Sharpe (PSNC), Sandra Gidley (RPS) and Mike Hewitson (NPA and local contractor). This event gave contractors the opportunity to listen to three great speakers and also ask questions about the future of community pharmacy.

June 2016 – Summary Care Record (SCR) events. In conjunction with NHSE Wessex a number of events were held across the county, these were an opportunity to learn more about SCR and the role of the Privacy Officer.

September 2016 – Flu Vaccination Training was once again delivered in conjunction with the NPA and Hampshire & IOW LPC. These training sessions supported contractors for the introduction of the Advanced Service for the 2016/17 Flu Season.

September 2016 – Contractor Support Event. This event was run jointly with Hampshire & IOW LPC and included speakers from PSNC and Pharmacy Voice and offered the opportunity for contractors to learn about ways of lessening the impact of the funding cuts.

We have been able to utilise pharmaceutical industry sponsorship to defray some of the costs for these meetings and for this the committee is extremely grateful.

# 7. Contractor Support

The LPC reintroduced quarterly meetings with the Area Managers/Owners of community pharmacies across Dorset. These meetings were held as part of the Steering Group meetings in May, September, November 2016 and February 2017. The meetings give the opportunity for sharing information and also getting a better understanding of any local issues.

During the year committee members have also been to visit contractors as part of an LPC meeting. These visits have been welcomed by contractors, have helped the committee members to develop their work plan for the year and also to understand where the LPC can best provide support for contractors.

# 8. Additional support for the LPC

In 2015/16 Dorset LPC recruited Claire Rossiter for the role of Services and Implementation Lead. This role has proved very beneficial for both the committee and contractors and the committee agreed the role should continue during 2016/17. In recent years PSNC have developed the PSNC Leadership Academy for future leaders and this year Claire Rossiter was successful in her application for Academy.

### 9. South Central LPC Forums

The South Central LPCs have met six times during the last 12 months. These meetings have been supported by the South Central PSNC representative Gary Warner. The group of four LPCs have spent considerable time and resource developing the Provider Company for pharmacy contractors.

# 10. Funding the Committee's activities

In the last twelve months the full committee has met a total of seven times. In addition to the LPC meetings, representatives of the committee have attended over one hundred meetings with a huge variety of different people and organisations.

During this year LPCs were asked to provide an additional levy to PSNC to support the Judicial Review of pharmacy funding cuts. This additional fee was met from the reserves held within the LPC account.

Throughout the year the Treasurer has been reviewing expenditure and budgets on a regular basis. This work has ensured that the committee finances have finished the year in a position that will allow the committee to continue to robustly support contractors.

# 11. And finally from the Chief Officer

The last 12 months have seen huge changes for the country, the full impact of which has yet to be fully understood. Community pharmacy is still facing unprecedented challenges as the impact of the imposed contract and funding cuts have started to take effect.

This year we have seen the retirement of Steve Lutener at PSNC. Steve has always been a font of knowledge and a huge support to LPCs and contractors over the years. I am sure he will be truly missed.

Dorset LPC membership has remained stable throughout the year and I would like to thank the members for their work during the year. Sadly Mandy West will not be a

member of the committee in 2017/18 has she has decided to take Voluntary Redundancy from Boots. I would personally like to thank Mandy for all of her support and hard work over the years for the committee and for contractors in Dorset.

Amanda Moores

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 March 2017

		2017	2016	
	£	£	£	£
P.P.A. composite levy		170,004		169,172
Other income				
Sponsors		1,926		7,000
Bank interest		512		749
		172,442		176,921
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Expenditure	12 221		24.607	
Employment costs	13,331		34,697	
Contracted services	72,610 227		51,945	
Bank charges			80 1 275	
Rent	4,680		1,375	
Utilities	94 226		-	
Repairs & maintenance			700	
Advertising	30		780 2.470	
Computer & stationery	833 758		2,479	
Education & training Attendance allowance	758 22,005		2,642 28,485	
Travel & subsistence	5,578		7,193	
	5,576 7,959		7,195 1,546	
Meeting expenses Telephone & internet	7,959 1,050		940	
Tax	1,030		150	
Audit & accountancy fee	720		720	
Legal & professional	4,496		720	
DCH discharge pilot	1,005		_	
PSNC levy	59,228		43,862	
Insurance	33,228		1,067	
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		194,932		177,961
Depreciation				
Computer Equipment	182		182	
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NET PROFIT/(LOSS)		(22,674)		(1,222)

# CAPITAL STATEMENT as at 31 March 2017

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
Computer Equipment	909		909	
Accumulated depreciation	(182)		-	
Depreciation charge	(182)		(182)	
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CAPITAL ASSETS				
Trade debtors	40		1,275	
Prepayments	156		156	
Petty cash	40		-	
Bank balance	78,265		96,039	
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CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Expenses	18,765		10,681	
PAYE/NIC	423		3,504	
Pension contributions	8		-	
Accountancy fee	720		720	
Net wages	-		1,440	
Tax on deposit interest	102		150_	
	(20,018)		(16,495)	
NET ASSETS	-	59,028		81,702
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CAPITAL ACCOUNT				
Brought forward	81,702		82,924	
Net (Deficit)	(22,674)		(1,222)	
Net (Bellett)	(22,074)		(1,222)	
		59,028		81,702
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