

Minutes of Board Meeting

20 April 2021 10am

1) Present:

Paul Charnock (Chair of Board), Jane Hurd (Board), Stephen Manning (Board), Penny-Penn Howard (Board), Catherine Fuller (Coordinator), Karen Hodgkin (Coordinator).

Apologies:

Chris Douglas (Board)

Meeting started at 10.30am.

2) Approve minutes of 02.02.21

Minutes from 02/02/21 were not approved as correct (although P. Charnock read through the whole of last meeting's minutes)

3) Matters arising from minutes

P. Charnock read through the minutes and actions from the February meeting.

All actions had been completed except for the following:

Look at CF / KH workload	PC
Review policies and read Decision-Making policy	All the Board of Directors

4) Work Plan

(Please see updated Work Plan – updates in Blue)

MTTG meetings – Next meeting for May. CF explained that we have had very little feedback from the community around medical transport. P.P-H said that someone going for treatment was not allowed a paid escort and so the Scilly C-Siders paid for one from their funding. CF said that we need to hear from people themselves otherwise we can not help / follow up.

P.C stated that it was not easy to get a medical opinion around if an escort is needed and it is difficult to get something in writing from the GP. J.H and C.F explained that GPs do not get involved in escort travel. P.C felt that it would not be difficult for the GPs to put something in writing.

P.C said for MTTG to meet if it would be useful to. J.H said to email all in the group and see if anyone has anything for the agenda and go from there.

New figures for non face-2-face meetings have been added to the work plan. P.C said that it is irritating that we have been pushing for more virtual appointments for years to help with unnecessary medical travel and then it takes the virus to get here for something to happen.

P.C asked if physio and x-ray are still happening on Thursdays. KH / CF have emailed the Health Centre and Hospital to arrange regular catch-up meetings. Part of these meetings will be to get updates on the services provided on the islands.

P.P-H asked how the opticians work. It was discussed that GPs can refer patients to the mainland for eye appointments if needed.

CF explained that there is a good link to Public Health England where you can access data on how many people on the islands are suffering with various medical conditions (cancer, diabetes etc). P.C said that this is very useful, to have this information on a community of 2000+ people is interesting and helpful.

CF / KH are working closely with Di Charlton to support people affected by cancer on the islands. KH/CF will arrange a meeting with P.P-H to discuss this.

Most feedback KH/CF have received recently has been about the dentist and largely all positive feedback. KH/CF followed up an issue regarding referrals to the mainland to see a dentist. If a patient is referred for NHS treatment to RCHT hospital they will be entitled to medical treatment.

Off-island visits by co-ordinators will hopefully go ahead this year. A Spring Fair will not be able to go ahead.