## Notes from PPG Meeting

## Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2015

<u>Present</u>; Derek Hilton, Derek Betts, Sharon Marsden, Jan Hardinge, Sheila Pink & Fiona Theadom (NHS England).

Apologies; Jenny Thomson, Cheri Baker.

We had been asked if a representative from NHS England could join us to speak about the contract with Beechcroft Surgery.

Fiona Theadom spoke to the group and informed us that contract would be put to tender for the Surgery and would need to be received by the end of 2015.

We were informed that the service here would continue, and that no changes would be made until a new service provider was found. SM stated that Coastal Partnership would be putting in a tender for the contract, which everyone was please about.

FT told everyone of the process to which a new provider is chosen. Firstly a questionnaire would be sent to every patient for them to return to NHS England. They would go through the surveys, and tenders.

We would then be informed by the end of the year as to who had been granted the contract.

Questions were asked if it was money related, to which FT answered that there were many factors to be considered before they could reach a decision.

We agreed that we would meet in the New Year for a PPG Meeting, and I would contact the group if any other matters arose.