

Minutes from Warwickshire LOC AGM April 2013

1. Election of chairman, Mike Beaver was proposed by Clive Beech and seconded by Ed Minnit

2. **Apologies for Absence,**

3. Minutes of the last AGM were recorded as a true and accurate record.

4. **Treasurers report,**

Clive reported that we were in profit. Our levys were going to change, the voluntary levy will cease and all funds will only come from the statutory levy

5. **Chairmans Report.**

Mike Beaver our LOC chair thanked Charles for all his help and support over the last year. we discussed that we had held the quarterly meetings with Solihull and Coventry LOC, but we said that this would change and the meetings would be with Hereford/Worcester and Coventry LOC, due to the Arden Cluster.

Anthony O'Driscoll has a meeting the same night as our AGM, however he cancelled it due to lack of numbers as too many folk were coming to our AGM.

Mike Beaver is stepping down as Chair of Warwickshire LOC as of tonight's meeting.

Jayne Dunn will be the new chair and we shall march forward with her at the helm at a good pace.

6. **Charles Barlow from LOCSU and the New Situation**

Charles came from the LOC Support Unit and discussed what was going on on the NHS and how LOCSU were doing everything they could do to help the LOC's in England. LOCSU are constantly talking to the CCG's especially with all the up and coming changes. Charles said that all these changes should be regarded as opportunities and not threats. And actually the opportunities are enormous. We need to be in a situation equivalent to AQP, so we need to be looking at the LOC becoming a limited company.

7. **The Pears Scheme.**

Francesca Discussed the Pears scheme and how we were going to present to the CCG.s this would be done by Francesca, Chris Grey with the help and support of Charles Barlow from LOCSU. Its all about "Blowing our own trumpet" letting the CCG's know what we are capable of doing, for a fee of course. LOCSU will support us all the way with this. Being part of a PEARS scheme will be fabulous for your practice.

This will be a standardised pathway that has been set up by LOCSU and tweaked to work with the individual LOC areas.

8. **Retiring Officers.**

A big Thank you to Mike Beaver who is stepping down as Chair and Jayne Dunn is taking over. Also a big Thank you to Clive Beech who is stepping down as treasurer and Edward Minnitt is taking over

9 **National Eye Health Week.**

Francesca discussed NEHW, she gave a powerpoint presentation. and requested that this practices interested in being part of the week should register their interest as www.visionmatters.org.uk

