



# Stethoscope

Great Harwood Medical Group PPG Newsletter

April 2026



Great Harwood Health Centre

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## Welcome

Dr Junaid Noman—Specialist Trainee

Dr Alicia Pollard—Foundation Year Doctor

Guri Choudhury—Trainee Advanced Practitioner

Ebony & Zahrah—Receptionists

## Farewell

Dr Iman Ulas—Foundation Year Doctor

Dr Ahmed Hassan—GP

Dr Assad Awan—Foundation Year Doctor



Minutes In Brief from the  
Patient Participation Group Meeting

**Tuesday 3rd March 2026**

Thanks was given to Lindsay our outgoing Chair for her hard work whilst she's been a member and Chair.

A motion to change the Terms of Reference was proposed

**Change**

6.1 The Group will endeavour to meet no fewer than **three** times a year, and will, in addition normally hold an Annual General Meeting in February/ March each year.

Proposed Carol O'Brien Second Alan Wilkinson

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**The Election of Officers**

CHAIR PERSON - Anita Fleming

Proposed - Carol O'Brien Second - Alan Wilkinson

VICE CHAIR PERSON - Sarah Lord

Proposed - Christine Jackson Second - Alan Wilkinson

SECRETARY - Carol O'Brien

Proposed - Alan Wilkinson Second - Margaret Morrison

TREASURER - David Cockett

Proposed - Trish Hill Second - Susan Jackson

- The Secretary's report was circulated
- The Treasurers report was circulated
- We are still not completely representative of the whole community despite attempts to reach out.
- There was a great response to the Survey held in January 2026. Thanks went you to the PPG and Practice.
- The discussion of the survey findings will continue into April 2026 to feed into a May/June newsletter and a full action plan to be formed following discussions with the Practice and PPG.
- Minutes sent to members via email, minutes in brief placed in the newsletter, minutes and newsletters on our practice website.
- To be held on a Tuesday at 1.00pm within the practice meeting room unless advertised differently.
- To try as much as possible to represent a cross section of our community.
- A GP to attend when feasible.

## Minutes In Brief from the Patient Participation Group Meeting

March 2026



- The Practice will discuss the possibility of an on-line survey for next year to run alongside a paper based version.
- There was no negative feedback from the flu clinics.
- Discussions were held regarding attracting new members.
- An invitation shall be sent to David Rogers (Head of Communication and Engagement, NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board) to attend a meeting.
- An update was given on the progress of Mercer Hall. The first phase is now complete and the second stage has begun which shall include a stage and sound system.
- **Next Meeting** 30<sup>th</sup> June



## Great Harwood Medical Group

### Patient Participation Group

A Patient Participation Group is a volunteer group of patients, carers, and GP practice staff who meet to improve local health services. It acts as a bridge between the practice and patients to ensure services meet community needs.



We are looking for new volunteers to join our group, representing our local community. The group meets three times a year.

If you are interested in learning more about the group and how to get involved, please come along to our Open day on 16th June 2026.

There will be two drop-in sessions held in the Library at GHMG:

1.30-2.30pm

5.00-6.00pm



PPG members will be available to welcome you and provide further information. Light refreshments will be served.



**Thank you to everyone who took time to  
fill in the recent Practice Survey**

**A results newsletter shall be published in  
May/June**

