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MINUTES OF OPEN READING LRC MEETING HELD ON 19TH JANUARY 2005, 2PM AT DUCHESS OF KENT HOUSE

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Minutes of previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held in November were approved.

EMI Home

AW said if the doctors were actually paid, then there was no need for a LES.

MM said that conditions in the home had improved and that patients would be allocated fairly to practices.

WestCall

MM said WestCall doesn't have the capacity to manage TIPPS afternoons. NL said the service had been downgraded since WestCall had taken over.

TM said that GPs received information from WestCall the next day and some of it is not legible.

Action Point: HW said she would like to see evidence so she could take his up.

Psychiatric Referrals

Governance issues for commissioning where GPs referrals to psychiatrists are being dealt with by the CPN Team.

HW said she had contacted Jude D'Cruz but had received no reply.

Action: PHR asked HW for action. NL said this issue should go to the commissioning team. PHR to write directly to Rod Smith.

Enhanced Service Floor

PHR said he was not mandated to sign the enhanced service floor paper.

Counselling

AW said this would be blocked back to practices next year. She said GPs either have open access to counseling services or employ their own counsellor.

Action: AW to notify NL of names of the NHS funded counselling service.

AW said the Government are monitoring enhanced services carefully. She said if the PCT gets the sign up, they can reallocate the money next year.

Physio

AW said the money had been used by practices referring into private physio services. She said the Chief Executive wanted all physio services to be contestable next year. The specialist physio's project has not been started, who was leading on it?

Dermatology

Action: AW did not know and said she would feedback to the Committee.

Pain Management

No information.

Action: AW to get back to the Committee.

AW said the PCR was under spending on enhanced services by £700,000 and there was no likelihood of spending it before March 31st.

Action: PHR said the LMC should meet with PEC clinicians to thrash out what were enhanced services.

Dr Jolly's List

MM said it went out for consultation and will be discussed by the PEC in February. She said 4 practices had expressed an interest, including the one that is already looking after it.

Superannuation & PMS

AW said a meeting had been held. The idea is that PMS should be the same as GMS as based on weighted capitation. She said she is waiting for numbers.

41 Russell Street

Mrs Nirgude will be able to continue her PMS contract. She has appointed a GP to start in February.

Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 16 March, 2pm
Room G8, Reading PCT

Attendees

Present	Name	Organisation
	Bindra Harjeet	Member
*	Latchford Neil	Member
	Mittal Rab	Chairman
*	Moneim Tarek	Member
	Naran Kishore	Member
*	Roblin Paul	LMC Chief Executive
*	Solomon Jane	LMC Director of Development & Liaison
	Birchall Carol	LMC Minute Secretary
	Fitzgerald Janet	RDG PCT Chief Executive
	Johnson Peter	RDG PCT PEC Chair
*	McCartney Maureen	RDG PCT
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