

### Bradford & Airedale Branch Report Issue 76 – March 2016

Message from Mark Brooke, Chair, Bradford & Airedale Branch, YORLMC Ltd Following on from the recent GP contract roadshow that took place in Leeds and where the GPC provided more detailed information and updates on aspects of the negotiated contract changes for 2016/17 and our own meetings with Bradford, Airedale, Wharfedale and Craven CCGs, NHS England and Bradford Council's Public Health Team, YORLMC enters the new financial year with a clear and determined view of the proactive role it must adopt to deal with the challenges ahead.

Whilst there are few contractual changes planned in 2016/17 and we await the announcement of the promised national 'rescue package', it is clear that spiralling workload and workforce pressures are now impacting on all practices. Locally I believe our CCG and NHS England colleagues appreciate this and the strong working relationships YORLMC has built over the last 3 years means we can try and work together in the new co-commissioning landscape to seek solutions both at individual CCG and Districtwide levels. Recent YORLMC elections mean we have strong and experienced leadership in all 3 localities, with Val Wilson, Alun Griffiths and Helen Wilkinson re-elected unopposed as Locality Liaison Officers, as well as input from new committee members and all are committed to stabilising and strengthening local general practice at this critical time.

Included within this Branch Report are further updates for your information - YORLMC's website also includes a frequent queries section.

#### Elections & appointments to the Bradford & Airedale Branch of YORLMC Ltd

The process to elect Members to the Bradford & Airedale LMC (seats below) is now complete. The following have been elected to the Bradford & Airedale LMC effective from 1 April 2016 and will be appointed as Members of the Bradford & Airedale Branch of YORLMC LTD in due course.

## **Bradford Districts Locality (9 seats)**

M Al-Hity

M Brooke

S Gazelev

S Matthews

S Patterson

P Rawal

A Smith

A Withers

Eight candidates stood for the Bradford Districts Locality seats and as such the above were elected unopposed. One vacancy remains.

If any GP principal or salaried GP in Bradford Districts is interested in this vacancy please contact the YORLMC Corporate Affairs Team on <a href="mailto:kate.mackenzie@yorlmcltd.co.uk">kate.mackenzie@yorlmcltd.co.uk</a> for full details about the role and eligibility to stand.



# Districtwide (2 seats)

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Two candidates stood for the Districtwide seats and as such the above were elected unopposed.

# Districtwide GP who received a CCT1 or CEGPR2 within the previous 5 years (1 seat) D Hann

One candidate stood for the Districtwide GP who received a CCT1 or CEGPR2 within the previous 5 years and as such the above was elected unopposed

# Bradford VTS GP Registrar (1 seat)

Two nominations were received for the above seat and therefore an election was held for which the electorate was GPRs on the Bradford VTS. M Foulds was elected to the seat.

Details of all Members of the BA Branch of YORLMC are available at <a href="http://www.yorlmcltd.co.uk/about-us/bradford-airedale-branch/">http://www.yorlmcltd.co.uk/about-us/bradford-airedale-branch/</a>

## **Extended Hours Enhanced Service (DES)**

At its recent liaison meeting with Officers of BAWC CCGs and NHSE, YORLMC sought to discuss local flexibility as a way of promoting practice participation in the above scheme.

Whilst it is clear that practices will be required to work to the terms of the <u>DES</u> should they choose to take on this work there was agreement that practices will be able to retrospectively advise NHS England of the cancellation of an extended hours session at short notice where that cancellation had been as a result of, for example sickness at the practice. Additionally Extended Hours may be used for pre-bookable appointments and practices can use these as they see fit, including for flu vaccinations etc.

Separately, whilst there will be no changes to the contracted current hours or the Extended Hours DES practices will be contractually required through completion of an access survey to provide data to inform NHS England of the availability of evening and weekend opening for routine appointments that patients could access in the local area (not necessarily at practice level) and is to be collected until 2020/21. The data will be collected every six months.

#### **YORLMC Corporate Affairs Team - Contact Changes**

Please note that our Committee Liaison Officers (CLOs) have changed their areas of responsibility as follows:

 Kate Mackenzie is now the first point of contact for all Bradford, Airedale, Wharfedale & Craven matters. Kate's email address is kate.mackenzie@yorlmcltd.co.uk

Simon Berriman is now administering the North Yorkshire Branch, Liaison and Alliance of Federations and Stacey Fielding is now administering the 4 North Yorkshire Divisions.

**YORLMC Branch meeting agendas – contributions from GPs and Practice Managers**GPs and Practice Managers are reminded that their suggestions for items for inclusion on Branch agendas are welcomed.

Meetings of the Bradford & Airedale Branch of YORLMC focus on issues affecting the Bradford, Airedale, Wharfedale & Craven area as a whole. Agendas are circulated to Committee Members one week prior to meetings, following agenda planning sessions involving YORLMC Officers and



YORLMC's Corporate Affairs Team. The Branch meets bimonthly in alternate months and you can check the dates of forthcoming meetings <a href="here">here</a>.

We very much hope you will contribute to this process – your suggested items can be forwarded to the Corporate Affairs Team - <a href="mailto:info@yorlmcltd.co.uk">info@yorlmcltd.co.uk</a>.

To help the CAT keep track of changes within practice teams it will be much appreciated if you can advise <a href="mailto:info@yorlmcltd.co.uk">info@yorlmcltd.co.uk</a> when GPs join or leave your practice as well as when there is to be a change of Practice Manager.

#### YorTender

YORLMC would like to remind practices that local authority contracts that are out to tender will be advertised via the YorTender website <a href="https://www.yortender.co.uk">https://www.yortender.co.uk</a>

Registration is free and will allow you to become aware when new services become eligible for tender.

This Bulletin is based on the best available information. We will endeavour to ensure you are kept informed of any changes.

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