## **Bedford Street Surgery and Furzton Medical Centre**

## **Patient Participation Group**

## **Terms of Reference**

- 1. Act as a planning tool: can be consulted on service development and provision within The Practice & Community health care.
- 2. To work in partnership with The Practice with flexibility, mutual support and respect as priorities.
- 3. To assist The Practice in identifying general concerns put forward by Patients.
- 4. To act as a channel of communication between the Practice and the registered patients and vice versa
- 5. To organise a variety of means to provide education and disseminate information for patients: for Example, in learning about local NHS services and proposed changes in services
- 6. Give patients a voice in the organisation of their care
- 7. Health Education: encourage and support activities within the practice and promote preventative Medicine
- 8. Influence the provision of secondary health care and social care locally
- 9. When appropriate to attempt to assist The Practice to maintain and develop its excellent standards of service
- 10. To raise funds needed to support its work, and if possible hold fundraising events to help The Practice to purchase medical equipment
- 11. To liaise and share ideas of good practice with other Patient Participation Groups in the area and thence through the elected Practice Patient Representative to Healthwatch MK and Patient Congress, to MK Commissioning
- 12. To organise enjoyable meetings
- 13. To help The Practice celebrate its many achievements