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Sheila

Good morning

This document is a summary of what has happened, what might happen and what will never happen. It raises hackles, smiles and despair depending on your personal situation.

You have asked me for a comment as a member of PPG.

Due to the commercial implication of many of these elements of planning there are fortunes to be made by some who as a consequence will drive the acceptance of the specific proposals in order to optimize their financial gain.

Regrettably there is little or no money to be made by the service element in the public sector. There is money to be made by service organizations who have a "product".

We, as a practice fall into the "public service" sector in spite of being a private partnership. So we have no "product" just a service to provide.

It is to be expected that there is as much, if not more, effort being put into the planning of infrastructures of support functions if any of these proposals come to fruition.

It is imperative that the partners register not their delight! horror! support or objection but their desire to be involved, consulted and listened to when the implications of any development are being considered. That assumes that someone is considering them. To date it appears to be at best a blind spot and at worst a "it will be alright on the night". The other description which come to mind is "head in the sand"

The profile of the practice needs to be elevated and it may be that a consortium of similar organizations be established. Dentists, doctors, vets etc.

The good thing is that very little will happen very quickly but that does not mean it is not urgent to establish a presence.

Regards

John