



significant increase in the number of patients who had signed up for 'on-line' services. Thanks to the PPG had been expressed by the EBMC for both participation and the assistance provided in the preparing of the questionnaire used.

**Action Plan for November - Leaflets** - The number of leaflets available may now be bemusing to patients and may discourage them being taken and reading. A review will be undertaken. **VPPG growth** - Given the increase in numbers, communication with and feedback from the group was considered a priority.

**Access to Defibrillators** - Communication from the East Bridgford Parish Council advised that two emergencies had occurred at the same time where access to a defibrillator was required. As only one is available in EB, the question was asked if the EBMC unit could be made available in event of any future similar emergencies. Dr. Chris Cope explained that there is a requirement for the EBMC defibrillator to be available on the 'crash trolley' at all times. It might be possible for a further defibrillator to be available on the EBMC front wall but that this might not be the best option due to the location being on the extreme edge of the village. The PPG asked MH to liaise with the Parish Council and assure them of our full support for a second unit with consideration being given to its location closer to the village centre (e.g. the village hall or the pavilion).

**PC / Laptop and email address for new secretary** – JO recommended that consideration be given to acquiring a PC Laptop for use by the secretary. To date virtually all communications, emails, agendas, records etc. etc. have been held on the then secretary's computer. As a result, other than printed / signed minutes, all past records of the PPG have been lost with a change os secretary. JO was asked to cost the proposal and come back to the committee for further consideration.

**Festive meeting at Royal Oak on 14<sup>th</sup> Dec. at 7.30 pm** - A booking for 12 had been made with members paying for their meal and refreshments. GS and JB gave their apologies for being unable to attend. If any other members are unable to be present please advise JW so that our final number may be advised to the Royal Oak. Unless any urgent matters arise, no meeting as such will take place. The event is now designated a Festive Dinner.

**Any Other Business** - JO provided feedback from a patient who, having had x-rays taken at Newark, has been unable to learn the outcomes / follow ups.

**Date and Venue for future regular meetings** –

**25<sup>th</sup> January 5 pm**

**8<sup>th</sup> March 5 pm**

**19<sup>th</sup> April 5pm**

The venue is hopefully **EBMC Meeting Room** – builders permitting.

**P.S. The meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> January is now to be held at The Royal Oak**