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Thank You's

- ▶ Malcolm Gray
- ▶ Committee members who are standing down- Nina La Rosa and Kimberley Parkes
- ▶ All committee members for their efforts
- ▶ All the officers for their hard work and advice
- ▶ Kate Townsend for putting up with me



Notable events

- ▶ Clive Marchant has been elected onto the ABDO board
- ▶ Shelley Stubbs confirmed as LEHN chair
- ▶ Malcolm has stepped down from the LOC
- ▶ Jim Barlow has retired



Optics in 2015 and beyond

- ▶ NHS budgets will reduce in real terms
- ▶ Increased commercial pressures as new entrants into the market challenge the established business models
- ▶ The continued growth of internet supply
- ▶ Increased regulation and demonstration of competency
- ▶ Challenges to the current NHS model
- ▶ Oversupply in the workforce



The Opportunities

- ▶ Secondary care has a capacity issue
- ▶ We are ideally placed to deliver high quality clinical care alongside our traditional roles
- ▶ In Staffordshire we have a reputation for delivering pragmatic solutions and working well with other providers in the health economy
- ▶ The NHS wants to work with us and sees us as a partner in delivering care



What have we done?

- ▶ Updated and re-launched the website
- ▶ Refined Glaucoma shared care
- ▶ Continued to develop our secondary care links
- ▶ Worked with CCG's to develop shared care
- ▶ Worked with the LEHN chair to help establish the network
- ▶ Closed SPECS
- ▶ Formed 'Shropshire and Staffordshire Primary Eye Care Services'



What have we done (2)?

- ▶ Ran a peer review session to help get committee members accredited as facilitators
- ▶ Helped Alison establish herself as the fulcrum of the LOC
- ▶ Established ourselves as the accreditation body for shared care



What are we going to do?

- ▶ We are moving the LOC office
- ▶ Strengthen and re-establish links with the new NHS structure (Area team and CCG's)
- ▶ Make sure a full and diverse shared care offering is delivered in South Staffordshire
- ▶ Help practices through the new NHS contract
- ▶ Move the responsibility for shared care into the company (where possible)
- ▶ Reshape the committee to meet the challenges going forward



What do you have to do?

- ▶ Use the website, Alison and the LOC office as a resource
- ▶ Keep your eyes open and ears to the ground
- ▶ Join in





