A brief update on the work your committee have been undertaking over the last year.

With a view to expanding our knowledge of the procedures desires and requirements of the NHS various meeting were arranged:

- Lynne and her colleagues met with Roger Banks of NHS Property Services who indicated
  he was very willing to work with us to achieve solutions. John Westwood, Director of
  Asset Management at NHS PS is of course speaking today.
- Lynne and I met with Ian Hulme BMA GPC Chair on 27 July when he confirmed that he was looking at further reviews to the Premises Cost Directions. I have subsequently been in touch with Ian over the revision of RICS GN60 where he has agreed to review the BMA section in the guidance note. In an email of yesterday Ian assured me that final approval between NHSE and the BMA on the PCD is imminent!
- I met with Ian Biggs on 15 May and we continue to keep in touch. Ian is of course speaking today.
- Lynne and I met with Andrew Darke Chair of the healthcare committee of the BPF (and for a little longer director of Assura). Andrew confirmed that the BPF is happy to work with PCPF. Another meeting is arranged to share matters of common interest and potentially run a joint event.
- On the 16 June and 20 September Lynne met with Dr Arvind Madan Director of Primary
  Care NHS England. One of the discussion points raised by Arvind was the possibility of LLPs
  taking on leases rather than individual GP partners, an interesting concept! If linked with a
  CCG commitment of use and funding this just maybe a solution for both GPs and
  Landlords?

### **Summer Networking Event**

We held our first summer networking event on 15th June at Penningtons Manches, in London. Feedback from members was extremely positive. Members indicated that the presentation by Roy Lilley and the networking opportunity was worthwhile and that they thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Our thanks to John Hargreaves and Penningtons Manches for hosting. We plan to hold our next networking event in June at a date and venue to be announced.

# **Rental Market Evidence**

# We Continue to Collect Rental Market Evidence

0	3 Years up-to	0		0	
0	2008	0	53	0	12.7%
0	2009	0	92	0	9.7%
0	2010	0	102	0	9.2%
0	2011	0	110	0	7.7%
0	2012	0	50	0	6.7%
0	2013	0	46	0	3.9%
0	2014	0	35	0	3.9%
		0	Was 15	0	2.68%
0	2015	0	7	0	5.6%
0	2016/17	0	7	0	7.1%

We are clearly seeing an increase with up to 30% being shown in some prime London Areas. My article and supporting statistics for 2014/15 were emailed to members and posted on the members' page of the website. I am currently in the process of collecting evidence for 2015/16.

# Membership

The Forum continues to grow and we now have 165 members. Renewals letters and invoices will be issued at the beginning of January. We would ask you to settle early as this helps us to forecast our membership numbers and to budget and plan events and activities accordingly.

## **GN60**

We are in touch with the RICS Working Party reviewing GN60, the guidance note on the Valuation of Medical Centres and Surgery Premises. Somewhat stuck waiting for the NHS Premises Cost Directions!

# **Service Charge Analysis**

Simon Hocken is looking at coordinating service charge data for analysis. Simon and his colleagues are working on the project with JLL. There is much to do and the process is moving slowly.

## Website

We continue to add news items and links to relevant sites and articles. Please share items with us if you consider they may be of interest to members.

# **LinkedIn Discussion Group**

There has been little response from group members to discussions posted. This is possibly due to members' individual LinkedIn notification and email settings preventing them from receiving post alerts. Please find time to join the group and to participate in discussions.