

**Minutes of Essex LPC Annual General Meeting**  
**held on**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021**  
**Ivy Hill Hotel, Margaretting, Chelmsford, CM4 0EH**

LPC Committee Members  
In attendance

Penny Skellern (PS) representing Chair  
Essex Contractors, Ashok Pattani (APat), Karen Samuel-Smith (KSS)

**Chair's Introduction**

PS presented Bina Patel in her absence by conveying her thanks and appreciation to all those present. Last year's AGM minutes were accepted as accurate.

PS highlighted some key points made in the Chair's Annual report including the fact that it has been a such a difficult year for community pharmacy teams, however all have continued to be professional and did an outstanding job.

Acknowledgement was given to the LPC office team, who also adapted to changes and worked from home without impacting on the support they continued to offer to community pharmacists.

Thank you ALL for the sterling efforts and adaption to working practices and succeeding through an unprecedented year.

**Essex LPC Annual Report**

Bharat Patel proposed the Annual Report, and it was seconded by Rajat Patel.

Essex LPC Annual Report 2020/21 was therefore formally approved

**Essex LPC Finance Report**

APat explained that the financial accounts had been circulated to all independent contractors and CCA representatives, all responses received were to accept the accounts. No further queries were raised at the AGM.

Bharat Patel proposed the accounts, and Nanji Patel seconded

**Deferring Elections**

In line with the Wright review consideration to be given to defer the LPC elections for 1 year.

Dipak Pau proposed to defer, and it was seconded by Tunde Sokoya. Vote also took place and 12 attendees also agreed to defer.

**Change of Name**

Essex Local Pharmaceutical committee, to be known as Community Pharmacy Essex.

Dipak Pau proposed the change of name, Hinesh Patel seconded. Vote also took place and 11 attendees also agreed to the name change.

**Community Pharmacy Essex Logo**

A suggestion for the new logo was proposed, however there were mixed feelings about the design, and it should be deferred until a logo was produced nationally