

Prostate Cancer Support Association (Central England)

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 15th October 2020

This was a virtual meeting held online via Zoom (starting 3:00 pm)

Welcome: The Chairman welcomed, patrons, members, wives/partners, friends and new members.

Apologies: Geoff Denny, Brian & Hazel Atkins, Alan Jones, Ken Taylor, Don Brown

Present: Brian & Sheila Cooley, Bill & Janet Tipple, Peter & Jenny Chapman, David & Hilary Miller, Neil & Daphne Rathbone, David & Mary Kemble, Peter Smith

Minutes of the 2019 AGM. Copies of the minutes of last year's AGM had been circulated to all members. There were no queries and the minutes were adopted by the meeting.

Proposer: Peter Chapman

Seconder: Bill Tipple

The Chairman signed the minutes as a true record of the previous AGM.

Matters Arising from the minutes.

There were no matters arising.

Annual Report for 2019. Copies of the Annual Report were circulated to each member prior to the AGM.

The Secretary summarised the Annual Report.

The question of succession of trustees and members was discussed. One suggestion was that the sons of members might consider joining the Association. We are still trying to establish closer ties with the UHCW based Support Group.

The Annual Report was adopted by the meeting.

Proposer: David Kemble

Seconder: Peter Chapman

Annual Accounts for 2018. The Annual Accounts were circulated to each member prior to the AGM. The Treasurer summarised the Accounts and offered to answer any questions. Reference to the *Deposit* account was queried. The Treasurer explained this was also known to the trustees and the bank as the *Business* account - the term *Deposit* was preferred by the accounts examiner.

The Annual Accounts were adopted by the meeting.

Proposer: David Miller

Seconder: Mary Kemble

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Election of Trustees. The Chairman read out the list of nominations for Trustees as follows:

- Brian Cooley (Chair and Treasurer)
- Peter Chapman
- Jenny Chapman
- David Kemble
- Mary Kemble
- Peter Smith (Secretary)

Since the number of nominations was less than the number of permitted trustees, the Chairman asked that the list be adopted *en bloc*. This was accepted, and the above members were duly elected as Trustees of the Association.

Proposer: Neil Rathbone

Seconder: Daphne Rathbone

Election of Accounts Examiner. Mr Ronald Raine has (again) offered to examine the Accounts for the coming year. The Treasurer asked that Mr Raine be accepted as Accounts Examiner. This was accepted - and the usual donation of £25 will be made to the Hinckley Baptist Church.

Proposer: Jenny Chapman

Seconder: Bill Tipple

Any other business.

Future Awareness Events. It was acknowledged that our first use of the *Online Booking and Results Service* developed for the Graham Fulford Charitable Trust (GFCT) had been successful. This was at St Finbarr's on 5th March 2020. It paved the way for pre-booking, so that men had pre-assigned time slots for their tests. This meant reduced waiting times and queuing. In fact when we resume testing in 2021 we will have to insist on pre-booking – either online or by telephone. Bill Tipple drew attention to the Shropshire Prostate Cancer Support Group which had successfully run an appointment-only testing event.

Peter Chapman pointed out that since we captured email addresses for all men tested on 5th March we have the potential to send out reminders when we resume testing.

Support from local MPs. Marcus Jones, MP attended our event at the Windmill Club in January 2020. Likewise we should enlist the support of Craig Tracey, MP for North Warwickshire & Bedworth.

Meeting at Christmas 2020. It was agreed to hold an online meeting in lieu of our annual Christmas lunch in December.

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Close of Meeting. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 3:40 pm.

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