

Parkinson's UK

Barnsley and District Branch

Minutes of committee meeting held on 12th July, 2022

Present

Terry Kendall, Philip Thompson, Kathie Sharman, George Spencer, Susan Grant, Ken Booth, Doris Wragg,

1. Welcome

Terry welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Rose Crawley, Ann-Marie Sephton and Joe White.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2022 were agreed as a true record subject to Ken Booth being added to those present.

4. Matters arising

Christmas Party

George has booked the Emmanuel for Tuesday, 13th December. Doris will invite the Mayor.

Tesco collection

Doris has submitted an application for a collection at the Wombwell Lane store in the September/October window.

Trip to Railway Museum

George asked for donations of £12 which included £1 for the driver and £1 for the catering staff at the Wetherby Whaler.

Fundraising report

Terry has contacted Cath Magee at Making Space to ask if she can suggest who we might approach for funding for Carers Day and if they can suggest anyone to replace TADS. Cath has responded suggesting an organisation to replace TADS but has suggested SYCF for funding, which is an organisation we contact regularly.

Philip has contacted Barnsley MBC regarding the Barnsley Bond grant and has received an email apologising and saying that the money would be paid straight away. Kathie is unable to confirm whether it has been paid as she has not yet received the bank statement

Ian McMillan

Terry has yet to contact the Academy theatre regarding the proposed fundraising event with Ian McMillan.

Shaw Lane

Following the meeting with staff at Shaw Lane, Terry circulated a 'What's On' document giving details of the activities they run, one of which is an 'Older People's Activity Drop-in' which is held on Thursdays between 1.00 p.m.-3.00 p.m. This includes quizzes, chat, board games, bingo and boccia and is suitable for 50+/older people who may be lonely or isolated. They are very interested in working with the Branch and are prepared to put on an open day if there is sufficient interest among the members.

5. Chair's report

(a) Rose's monthly update

Terry reported that a number of research programmes had been identified but because of covid there was a lack of volunteers. A final push is being made to recruit but if there is a lack of interest the trials may fall by the wayside.

6. Treasurer's report

The committee noted the bank statement as at the end of June which shows a total adjusted cash and bank balance of £32,128.21.

Kathie reported that Rose had contacted Terry to inform him that the Branch had been left a legacy of £5,000 in March 2020 and a previous legacy of £5,000 in 2019. Rose is liaising with the legacy team to find out why the 2019 legacy was not paid into the Branch's account. We do not need to include the money in restricted funds, it is up to the Branch to spend it how it wishes and it cannot be transferred to head office.

7. Secretary's report

Annabel Theaker (Local Networks Manager) has replied to Doris's email attaching the newsletter saying that the Carers Day is a lovely idea and thanking everyone at the branch for everything they do for people affected by Parkinson's.

8. Service Development

Terry has contacted Heather Mortiboys but she is not available until the branch meeting on 23rd May next year.

It was agreed we would have an information stall at the Classic Car Show/Gala in Locke Park on Sunday, 14th August.

The Stringalongs ukulele band may be a possibility for the November branch meeting.

9. Fundraising report

Philip has written to SYCF to ask if he needs to submit a new application for Carers Day or if he just needs to update the costs on the application which was previously approved for 2020.

The treatments (massage, facial, manicure) will cost £45 each. This also includes day membership for the gym and swimming pool. The average number of people who attended over the last seven years is 17. Philip has compiled an estimate of £1,335 which includes Bronia's and Crossroads' fees based on the new rates. We will not require the extra room for TADS. Crossroads have agreed to provide two carers. George will ask Bronia if she is available on 27th October.

We have been offered the alternative of an afternoon tea but it was agreed that we would stay with the lunch we usually have and would ask for a donation of £10 per person.

10. Assistant Treasurer's report

Exercise class

| | <u>1st class</u> | <u>2nd class</u> |
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| 6 th June | 8 pwp 5 carers | 3 pwp 4 carers |
| 13 th June | 11 pwp 5 carers | 4 pwp 4 carers |
| 20 th June | 12 pwp 5 carers | 4 pwp 4 carers |
| 27 th June | No class | |

Respite

In June six people took the full four hours at £18 per hour, totalling £432.

11. Membership Secretary's report

Doris reported that there were 145 members on the latest list.

12. Webmaster's report

Ken gave an update on progress with changing the branch's website from barnsleyparkinsons.org to barnsleyparkinsons.org.uk. At the moment the .org is in Ken's account but there is no information on it and when anyone enters the website it takes them to the .org.uk website. We still need to nominate someone to take over the website in the event of Ken not being available.

13. Any other urgent and relevant business

Philip mentioned that in addition to the Langsett walk on 21st August there was also the short walk at Dearne Valley Park on 25th August.

14. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 9th August at 7.00 p.m.