

Parkinson's UK

Barnsley and District Branch

Minutes of committee meeting held on 9th August, 2022

Present

Ann Marie Sephton, George Spencer, Susan Grant, Ken Booth, Doris Wragg, Rose Crawley (online)

1. Welcome

Ann Marie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Terry Kendall, Philip Thompson, Kathie Sharman and Joe White.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 12th July 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th July 2022 were agreed as a true record.

4. Matters arising

Christmas Party

Doris has invited the Mayor.

Tesco collection

We will know by the end of August if we have been successful in applying for a collection at the Wombwell Lane store in the September/October window.

Trip to Railway Museum

George reported that difficulties were experienced by some members in walking or pushing wheelchairs to the museum from the drop-off point as the coach could not park in the museum car park.

Ian McMillan

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

5. Rose's monthly updates

Rose asked that we publicise an annual information event organised by the Yorkshire and Humber Younger Persons Group on 16th October at Rogerthorpe Manor Hotel, Badsworth. The event is for those under the age of 66 and those recently diagnosed within the last three years.

A new drama is starting this month on ITV called 'The Suspect' and the main character has early onset Parkinson's. Prior to filming the production company contacted Parkinson's UK to gain an insight into the condition.

PUK are looking for people to sit on the 'Progress' research magazine editorial board alongside staff from the research communications team.

Top tip – Having your meetings on zoom allows you to record them so whoever is taking notes can join in with the discussions and go back afterwards to get the notes.

6. Chair's report (Ann Marie)

Terry has confirmed the speaker for next week's branch meeting and has checked that the Choir is available for the Christmas Party.

Terry has not been able to collect the jigsaws so we will just have an information stall at the Classic Car Show/Gala at Locke Park on 14th August.

A decision will be made at next week's branch meeting on what form the Langsett walk will take due to the poor take-up.

7. Treasurer's report

No items.

8. Secretary's report

Doris reported that she had received an enquiry from someone with Parkinson's who was interested in joining the branch and exercise classes. However, the person had no transport and lived outside the Barnsley area so the branch would not be able to pay for taxis.

9. Service Development

16th August – Janet Edmunds, Parkinson's Adviser

20th September – Carolyn Turton, Q & A.

18th October – Afternoon tea at Cannon Hall

10. Fundraising report (Doris)

Philip now feels that his confidence in the SYCF renewing the Carers' Day grant that was used for the respite care service during the pandemic was a little premature as he did not realise that the end of grant report he had completed drew a line under the transaction. It was remarked at the last branch meeting that we could well afford the necessary £3,000 or so from our own resources so as he had to send a copy of our accounts with the new application it may be that SYCF reaches the same conclusion.

Philip will start collecting names for Carers' Day at next week's branch meeting. George has five names already from the exercise class.

Having heard nothing from Barnsley FC regarding a bucket collection, Philip visited the office to be told that 'they' were all on holiday so will try again soon.

11. Assistant Treasurer's report

Exercise class

	<u>1st class</u>	<u>2nd class</u>
4 th July	7 pwp 3 carers	5 pwp 5 carers
11 th July	7 pwp 3 carers	3 pwp 4 carers
18 th July	No class (extreme heat)	
25 th July	No class (Bronia away)	

Respite

George has not yet received the invoice.

12. Membership Secretary's report

Ann Marie reported that there were 147 members on the latest list.

13. Webmaster's report

Ken reported that he had tidied up the website to reflect the fact that we are up and running following covid. When people click on the .org it takes them to Ken's web page so he now only needs to update one website.

14. Any other urgent and relevant business

No items.

15. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 13th September at 7.00 p.m.