

Parkinson's UK
Weymouth and Dorchester Branch
Annual General Meeting

Date and Time of meeting	Venue of meeting
Monday 18 th March 2019 2.30pm	Memorial Hall, Upwey & Broadway, Weymouth

1. Present

Baz Hain (Chair), Emma Cooper (Parkinson's UK), Dave & Lynda Clegg, Jenny Johnson, Sandra James, John Davis, Jo Galley, Jane and Peter Dare, Hilary Morley, Linda & Ray Hendren, Pat Pollard, Korah & Brian Hughes, Ruth & Mike Hoadley, Jill Osborne, Jane & David Fidler, Shirley Mitchell, David Cole, Anna & Tony Banks, Janey & Bill Conley, Mark Vagg

2. Apologies

Corrine & David Brooks, Jan Davis

3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2018

All approved as correct and signed by Barrie Hain

4. Matters arising

None

5. Treasurer's Annual Report

- a. Receipts income £20763; including £7600 Notley Legacy, £1659 in donations, £4939 from fundraising (thanks to Linda H), £1955 hydro and yoga (income collected), holidays non, £1192 outings (income collected)
- b. Expenditure £13851. £1789 sent to Head Office, £152 fundraising costs, exercise significantly higher due to hydro, some money to Dance South West (for the dance class) donation from Notley legacy, £3144 on outings (offset by the income so total spend £1952), financial assistance – a misnomer as used for flowers for bereaved etc., adjusted down this year as now available from head Office. Reducing costs of newsletters moving to email. Bought a new coin counter (sold the old one for £25)
- c. Cashbook balances, surplus of £6913. Will be ok this year because of the Notley legacy but will need to re-think as would be in deficit with the loss of the money
- d. Assets: laptop; Wii games machine (available for members to use); Tea urn; printer for newsletters; Medvivo holding an alarm system (available for members to use); Gazebo (for collections)
- e. Paid £35 for hosting the website
- f. Major donors; £1445 from Brian Honeybun for the 3 peaks challenge
- g. Hydro therapy is the major cost for us, and BMI are looking to move to Dorchester which will increase the cost from £100 to £175 a session. Committee will be looking at alternatives. Koran Hughes commented that at Dorchester people with heart problems would be able to go
- h. If members are interested in financial assistance there is a leaflet available from head office
- i. New membership application form – used to be £4 to Head Office and £1 to the local group, now a voluntary donation

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6. Chairman's report

- a. Not prepared a written report due to first 6 months of year on sabbatical
- b. Baz provided an overview of the upcoming events/fundraising activities and meetings, including event for World Parkinson's day – 13th April table top sale in Linda Hendren's garden.
Fundraising at Weymouth football club (27th April) and Morrison's (25th April) still need volunteers to help
Aprils' yoga sessions to be confirmed
Quiz Night on 30th March at Dorchester Cricket Pavilion 7pm, organised by New Dimensions Group and all proceeds to come to the group
- c. Thanks to the committee for all the work that they have done this year. Brilliant committee who work very hard. Special thanks to David for covering Baz's sabbatical period
- d. Now hand over to Emma Cooper for the official part of the meeting

7. Election of Officers

- a. Emma introduced herself to the group and then a re-iteration of thanks to the committee. Thanks to Hilary for the past 40 years, thanks to Jenny in the secretary's roll and thanks to Baz in his role as chair. None of it would be possible without the committee. Officially stood down the out-going committee.
- b. Chair – Baz Hain - proposed by Hilary Morley, Jane Dare to second
- c. Secretary – Mark Vagg – proposed Peter Dare, Lynda Clegg to second
- d. Treasurer – Dave Clegg – proposed by Jane Dare, Pat Pollard to second
- e. Membership secretary – Lynda Clegg – proposed by Jo Galley, Sandra James to second
- f. Other committee members: Peter & Jane Dare, Linda Hendren, Jan & John Davis, Jo Galley, Pat Pollard – proposed by Dave Clegg, Brian Hughes to second – voted on block for all
- g. New committee has been agreed.

8. Final Chairman's remarks

Last year at the AGM, pledged to get more money for the group and do more fund more money and more fundraising & the group achieved that. So, this year is making a pledge to get more members to attend the Dorchester meeting, especially now it's at a new venue.
Baz presented Hilary a bunch of flowers & vase thanking her for the work on the committee

9. Parkinson's UK update from Emma Cooper

- Have a group of volunteers testing out devices and apps which may be useful to people with Parkinson's
- Research website offering opportunities to get involved with many different research projects and can sign up on line to any
- Last year Parkinson's raised 37 million pounds
- Part of that was from the 37 Walk for Parkinson's events held around the country, a new one this year in Bournemouth on Sunday 16th June with 2,4 and 7.5 mile options
- New campaign to be launched about getting medication on time, UK wide including surveys, petitions and raised awareness of the issue

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- On 11th April, World Parkinson's day will be launching 'Parkinson's Is' campaign for 6 weeks – includes video's of real people living with Parkinson's to raise awareness of it as a serious health condition
- Team Parkinson's, new membership offer, main changes are can now join on-line, and removal of a membership fee to ask for a donation instead

End of Meeting: 15.05