



FLEET HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY FRIENDS

'Supporting local Health Care needs'

Minutes of the AGM held at Fleet Hospital on 17th May 2017 at 7.00pm

- 1. Chairman's Welcome** – Claire Pamment welcomed all members and thanked them for coming. Claire explained that an AGM was a legal requirement for all charities. Claire welcomed Nicky Seargent – Associate Director of Community Services, Fleet Hospital, Councillor Anne Crampton and Peter Foxtan from Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice who was giving an update on the Palliative Care Nurses. Claire advised that all the minutes could be found on the Friends' website.
- 2. Apologies** – Helen Bellamy, Dawn Williams, Gwen Easter, Anne Tracey, Ann Race
Present – Claire Pamment, Harrie Glossup, Caroline Hoare, Jean Cottis, Brian Proctor, Kirsty Arnold, Anthony Barrell, Jean Tucker, Leo Race, Helen Parberry, Ruth Hunt, Vera Pullen, Babs Brandon, Geoffrey Baker, Nicky Seargent, Phil Winterbourne, Jenny Brown, Anne Crampton, Ann Gotting. In Helen Bellamy's absence Ann Gotting took the minutes.
- 3. Minutes of the Last Meeting**
The minutes were signed as correct. Harrie Glossop said the minutes could be posted to the general membership
- 4. Matters Arising**
None
- 5. Talk by Peter Foxtan – Director of Income Generation – Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice**
Peter started his talk by explaining that the Friends of Fleet Hospital had agreed to contribute £50,000 a year for five years towards the provision of community nursing by Phyllis Tuckwell in Fleet and the surrounding area. The nurses are made up of Clinical Nurse Specialists and Hospice Care at Home nurses. The two groups of nurses have very different roles but between them support the patient and family/carers throughout their journey with the hospice. These nurses are also able to refer the patients to other services available within the hospice e.g. Day Hospice, therapies and counselling. The total number of contacts in the GU51/52 area had increased from 4428 to 4543 in 2016/17. Peter explained that over the last year the Hospice had been reviewing the unmet need and it concluded that the hospice is only seeing 1 in 4 people with end of life needs and their challenge is to change this figure. Peter concluded that the process will take some time to achieve but should in future enable more people to receive their care.
- 6. Chairman's Report – Claire Pamment**
Claire explained that on the 1st January 2017 Frimley Park Hospital took over the running of services at Fleet Hospital and the Community for a trial period of 18

months and that she was hopeful that this change will ensure a better provision and continuity of care for the local residents. Nicky Seargent will give a further update.

Claire then explained that the Friends support many requests from the hospital and community and that we had donated £6,000 towards the Lions Prostate screening evenings. Claire then went on to describe the purchases made for the hospital, a molift raiser to enable patients to achieve a safe sit to stand transfer, a pat slide which helps to transfer patients from their own bed to a profiling bed when entering end of life care in the community, a treadmill for use in the physiotherapy dept, new Christmas decorations for the hospital, new chairs for the patients bedside and new garden furniture for both patients and staff, and a lockable drugs fridge for the new midwifery clinic.

Claire explained the the Outpatients and Physiotherapy departments continue to be very busy.

Claire said the committee were very sad at loosing two of the longest serving committee members, Vera Pullen and Jean Tucker who had decided to step down this year, they have always given their all to any fund raising and will be greatly missed. Claire thanked them for their commitment and said they would be sadly missed but she hoped they would still help at the Christmas Fayre and Quiz night!

At the end of her report Claire thanked all the committee for their support in helping to run the Friends, Claire concluded by announcing that Mrs Peggy Rooker who served on the Friends Committee for many years had recently died.

Claire invited Nicky Sergeant to give an update on the hospital.

Update on Hospital – Nicky Sergeant – Associate Director of Community Services

Nicky explained that it had been a busy year looking at how services could be delivered and where services fitted best and that in January the adult physical health moved to Frimley Health including the staff, this has helped with the improved medical cover although there are still staffing challenges. The site still sits with Southern Health at present during the pilot. Services such as outreach and rapid emergency have moved to Fleet to develop a community based service. All the staff who have visited Fleet from Frimley thought it was very well run and were particularly impressed with the Outpatients and its efficiency. More activity is expected for x-ray. Geoff Baker asked about the problem of car parking. Nicky said that FPH were aware of the problem and were conscious of neighbours and the environment but while the site was with Southern Health there would be no action but what might be the answer is public transport but this could be a lengthy process.

7. Secretary's Report – Helen Bellamy read in her absence by Dr Caroline Hoare

Helen re-affirmed Claire's statement that we had had another busy and productive year and thanked everyone for their continued support with the street collections, Christmas Fayre and raffles.

Our thanks again goes to Jenny Brown and the Brownies who plant bulbs to make the garden look colourful in the spring and autumn.

The Christmas Fayre was well attended and we continue to be very grateful to Fleet Lions and Rotary for their continued help and support. This years Fayre is 25th November 2017.

Again Fleet Lions and Rotary decorated the hospital beautifully for Christmas. In February we held another successful quiz night which raised over £500 and a donation from the raffle was sent to the Parish of Fleet.

Our street collection for Morrisons is on the 12th August and 2nd September for Fleet town centre for which Claire is looking for helpers.

Helen indicated that we are still looking for ways to raise the Friends' profile and our website is constantly updated and has been well used over the past year. We are also in the process of updating our leaflets and have some lovely photos taken by a local photographer.

Helen concluded by thanking everyone for their continued support and as ever are open to suggestions and that because of the many changes at the hospital over the last year we need to be strong and positive and make decisions that improve the lives of all the residents of Fleet.

8. Treasurer's Report – Brian Proctor

Brian Proctor began his report by saying that we had had a good year and that the accounts had again been audited by Menzies and that as of 17th May we had £512,000 assets with committed funds of £200,000

Brian asked if there were any queries or comments, none given. It was agreed to continue with Menzies, this was proposed by Harrie Glossop and seconded by Anthony Barrell.

9. Membership Secretary's Report – Harrie Glossop

Harrie Glossop thanked everyone for attending the AGM and continued support for our Community Hospital and that it was 120 years since the hospital opened supported by funds raised by local people. The final cost of the hospital was £400-£600. In the years since there have always been groups of local folk raising money to provide the extras for the hospital and patients and that we have extended our support to the delivered in the Community and have widened our catchment area. Harrie went on to explain that we have finally completed the very long winded process of restructuring our Charity and that we have a new Constitution and Charity number. A copy of the new Constitution was available for everyone to see. Harrie also mentioned the new brochure.

Membership remains at about 100 but she had not received all this years membership forms so the exact number was fluid. Each member receives a newsletter twice a year, these are also on our website which Harrie thanked Ann Gotting for her work with the website. Harrie also explained the new gift aid forms.

Harrie explained that the Friends are looking to fund with Southern Health the refurbishment of the front of the hospital.

10. Election of Committee

Members up for re-election

Dr Caroline Hoare – President

Claire Pamment – Chairman

Helen Bellamy - Secretary

Brian Proctor – Treasurer

Harrie Glossop – Vice Chairman and Membership Secretary

The re-election of Caroline Hoare as President was proposed by Ann Gotting and seconded by Jean Tucker.

The re-election of the Officers, and Committee Members, Gwen Easter, Anne Tracey and Dawn Williams was proposed by Anthony Barrell and seconded by Geoff Baker.

Claire Pamment thanked retiring members Vera Pullen and Jean Tucker and presented them with cards and flowers.

11. AOB

No questions and Claire Pamment thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 8.15pm