Minutes All Party Parliamentary Group on Cancer (APPGC) AGM

Wednesday 10 May 2023, 4pm, Room Q, Portcullis House, House of Commons. Chaired by Elliot Colburn MP, APPGC Chair

Attendees:

Elliot Colburn MP Grahame Morris MP Greg Smith MP Tim Farron MP Marion Fellows MP Navendu Mishra MP

Others:

Robyn Briggs (Office of Sharon Hodgson MP) Dan Chapman (Office of Elliot Colburn MP) Sarah Gilbert, APPGC Secretariat Alex Simpson, APPGC Secretariat Ciaran Norris, APPGC Secretariat

Apologies:

Taiwo Owatemi MP Sharon Hodgson MP Nicola Richards MP Amy Callaghan MP Jonathan Djanogly MP Rt Hon Shailesh Vara MP Baroness Morgan of Drefelin Baroness Walmsley

1.	Welcome	2 mins
	The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting.	
2.	Election of Officers	5 mins
	The Chair read out the name of Parliamentarians who had expressed an interest becoming and officer of the APPGC and opened the floor to any other nominations.	
	The following MPs/Peers were elected as Vice Chairs and Officers respectively and Elliot Colburn MP was elected Chair with no objections:	

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	 Elliot Colburn MP (Chair) Tonia Antoniazzi MP (Vice Chair) Grahame Morris MP (Vice Chair) Sharon Hodgson MP (Vice Chair) Amy Callaghan MP (Vice Chair) Henry Smith MP (Vice Chair) Tim Farron MP (Vice Chair) Baroness Morgan of Drefelin (Vice Chair) Baroness Walmsley (Vice Chair) Rt Hon Shailesh Vara MP (Vice Chair) Greg Smith MP (Vice Chair) Nicola Richards MP (Vice Chair) Marion Fellows MP (Vice Chair) Navendu Mishra MP (Vice Chair) Baroness Finlay (Officer) Lord Rennard (Officer) 	
3.	Accounts The Chair presented a copy of the APPGC 2022 income and expenditure statement. The Chair outlined that the group had a healthy balance – most notably due to a legacy balance being left from no longer organising the Britain Against Cancer Conference and subsequent	3 mins
	drop off in activity because of the Covid 19 Pandemic. A motion was put forward to approve the Income and Expenditure Statement of the APPG – and the motion was approved.	
4.	AOB/Close	1 min
	The Chair asked if there was any other business. None was forthcoming and the Chair formally closed the AGM.	
5.	Cancer Awareness for Teens and Twenties (CATTs) Workshop The Chair introduced Natasha Francis, School Outreach Officer at CATTs who delivered a cancer awareness workshop for parliamentarians in attendance. CATTs delivers these workshops to young people aged 14 to 18 in schools across Redbridge and Havering. CATTs provides these sessions to schools free-of- charge, with funding provided by North East London Cancer Alliance.	40 mins

Topics covered included:

- Outlining the partnership between CATTs and North East London Cancer Alliance
- The risk factors of cancer
- The signs and symptoms of cancer
- How young people can "know their normal" and therefore identify any bodily changes outside of this normal
- An overview of how young people can speak to their clinicians about any concerning signs and symptoms

The interactive workshop also tested parliamentarians' knowledge in an interactive quiz of topics covered in the session.

Packs were provided to Parliamentarians in attendance including a self-checking guide and a summary of the project so far with quotes from staff and students. The Secretariat has a small number of these packs for those who are interested.