

Cri du Chat Syndrome Support Group Annual General Meeting, Saturday 2nd June 2012 at Jury's Inn, 119 Eyre Street, Sheffield

Darren Ayres, Chairman of the Group, thanked all families for attending and staying for the AGM.

1. Apologies

Were received from Ray Clarke and Damian Haywood.

2. Matters Arising

The minutes of the AGM held on 4th June 2011 were accepted without amendment.

3. Administrators Report

The Administrator reported that it had been a good year for the group. We now had 152 members and 150 registered members- i.e. those who had not paid a membership subscription but were receiving email updates from the group.

Two newsletters had been published in the last year and we have also been looking at ways of communication with our members and registered members. We now have a forum on our website, a Facebook page and the opportunity to ask questions of our Clinical Advisory Group.

4. Treasurer's Report

Assets are £8,235 Current Account

£229 Membership account (Northampton) £1,206 Membership account (Edinburgh)

£12,686 Bonus Saver account £20,000 One Year Fixed Rate Bond

The Chairman, on behalf of the Treasurer, reported that with the support of our fundraisers the

Group showed a surplus for the year of £3,936 with income at £28,311 against expenditure of £24,375.

It was reported that copies of the draft accounts were available if members wished to view them and submit questions.

5. Chairman's Report

The chairman highlighted that it is important to have volunteers to act as committee members as we need to make sure there are enough people at each meeting to make decisions.

The Chairman indicated that he would be willing to stand for another term. This was proposed by Pippa McIntyre and seconded by Vicki McDonald-Noble.

The re-election of current members of the Committee James Smith, Vicki McDonald-Noble, Pippa McIntyre, Lisa Bowden, Caspar Hull, Damian Haywood, Ray Clarke were proposed by Richard Bates and seconded by Angie Stokes.

Both Angie Stokes and Elaine Precious had previously indicated they wished to stand for committee membership. This was proposed by Vicki McDonald Noble and seconded by Caspar Hull.

The Chairman reported that the committee had met on three occasions since the last family weekend and had discussed, amongst other issues, the family weekend, Clinical Advisory Group and Route Map, Fundraising, Administration, CdC Day, Local Group Meetings, Equipment Fund, Website and newsletter.

Particular thanks were given to Pippa McIntyre and Vicki McDonald-Noble for helping the administrator with the organisation of the 2012 Family Weekend. The Chairman asked for members to make suggestions on subjects they would like delivered at the family weekend by either formal presentations or workshops.

6. Any Other Business

Caspar Hull, Chair of the Clinical Advisory Group, reported that a Route Map, funded by Genetic Alliance UK, had been produced and that he would be attending a day in London to launch this initiative.