



'Supporting local Health Care needs'

**Minutes of the AGM held at Fleet Hospital
10.5.2024**

Present – Harrie Glossop, Ann Gotting, Helen Bellamy, Ruth Hunt, Ruth Crane, Caroline Hoare, Dawn Williams, Peter Foxtton, Sheila Pagden, Anne Crampton, Caroline Mullen, Phil Winterborne, Gill Collins, Geoff Baker, Pat Webb, Brain Proctor

- 1. Chairman's welcome** – In Claire Pamment's absence Harrie Glossop welcomed all the members to the AGM and explained that it was a legal requirement for all charities to have an AGM. Harrie also welcomed Peter Foxtton Director of Income Generation Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice who was going to give an update on the new building.
- 2. Apologies** – Claire Pamment, Karen Vout, Babs Brandon, Anne Tracey
- 3. Minutes of the Last Meeting** – The minutes were agreed and proposed by Geoff Baker and seconded by Dawn Williams and signed.
- 4. Matters Arising** – No matters arose
- 5. Talk by Peter Foxtton – Director on Income Generation Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice.**
Peter thanked us for our support over the years especially as 80% of their work is in the community.

Building the new hospice. It was discussed in 2014/5 to try and find a new site but they were unable to and in 2017 a re-furbishment was considered costly then came the pandemic when they couldn't take covid patients, the local population were ageing and patients were living longer with other problems. The management looked towards 2040 and the layout just didn't work. So a new hospice was designed in 21/22 and planning was approved in April 2023. There would be 18 large en-suite bedrooms where family members could stay over. The inpatient unit would be around a central courtyard. There would also be a kitchen, family room, tv and gaming room all infection control friendly .

The outpatient teams would have a welcome suite and day hospital which would provide activities e.g. art, music etc.

There would be a new re-habitation suite and café.

Upstairs there will be office space and an education suite.

At the moment the hospice has 10 beds in Camberley and the outpatients are being seen in Farnham and Guildford.

The site in Farnham has been levelled and the first stone was laid on early May 24. There is a 70 week programme and the hospice should be taking patients from January 2026.

The cost is 12 million and there is still 6 million to raise but they are over half way there with a public appeal being launched in mid May 24.

- 6. Chairman's Report** – In Claire's absence Harrie gave the report and explained that we still had requests from the hospital and outside charities for funds.. Harrie thanked the members for continuing to support us and highlighted where our funds had been spent.

The hospital continues to be busy with lots of clinics and clinicians based at the hospital. The walk in x-ray service is very popular.

The matter of the future of the hospital and possible return to the Fleet site is still undecided. We have continued in our efforts to learn of the Frimley Park Trust plans but at this time there is very little news. The plans for the new hospital will we think have an impact on the the plans for the Fleet site.

Harrie has been giving lectures to local groups about the history of the hospital and these have been very well received. Gill Collins from the Crookham WI group thanked Harrie for the talks.

The Friends had donated £5000 to help the Daisy Chain café in Hartley Wintney to run for another year.

£500 had been donated to the Fleet food pantry

Outpatients had asked for a new TV which the Friends had purchased

Occupational Health had requested £1,300 for their new upper limb equipment

£5,000 had been given to the physio department for new equipment.

- 7. Treasurer's Report** – Brian Proctor reported that the finances (see sheet) stood at £250408 and that the accounts had been prepared for auditing by Mike from Menzies as John Biffen had retired. Harrie Glossop proposed and Caroline Hoare seconded.

Brian said that we had receive £10,000 from an Edith Doughty in her will and that he had also received a letter from Bates Solicitors indicating that the Friends were to benefit from the estate of Eileen Stark.

Brian indicated that copies of the accounts can be obtained from him.

8. Secretary's Report – Helen Bellamy said that the Friends had done several fundraising events:

The Friends ran a children's tombola as part of the Fleet festivities, A Christmas Fayre at All Saints church, and in February a quiz. All these activities were supported by our members to which we are grateful.

At Christmas the hospital entrance and outpatients was decorated by the Lions and past Rotary members.

Over the year the committee have been tidying and planting the pots in the quadrangles between departments and will continue to do so over the coming months.

Helen also thanked Vickie Ibbott the Service Manager at Fleet who has been very helpful fixing meeting rooms etc.

9. Membership Secretary's Report – Ann indicated that the Spring newsletter was sent out at the end of March and that subs are due in April and so far she had received £600 from twenty members.

Ann has been supporting Harrie during her talks and indicated that they have managed to pick up a few members along the way so it's a thank you to those who have joined.

10. Election of Committee –

Members up to re-election

Dr Caroline Hoare – President

Claire Pamment – Chairman

Harrie Glossop – Vice Chairman

Brian Proctor – Treasurer

Ann Gotting – Membership Secretary

Helen Bellamy – Secretary

The re-election of Caroline Hoare was proposed by Anne Crampton and seconded by Geoff Baker

The re-election of Officers was proposed by Geoff Baker and seconded by Phil Winterborne

The re-election of the Committee Member Sally McMillen was proposed by Dawn Williams and seconded by Geoff Baker

A.O.B. – Geoff Baker proposed a special thanks to the Officers and local community for continuing to support the hospital.

Harrie Glossop closed the meeting at 7pm.