

# **The Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland**

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Registered charity 1118063

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## **Annual General Meeting**

**Monday, 9 July 2018 at 08:15-09:00**

**Venue: Hall 1, The ICC, Broad Street, Birmingham**

### **MINUTES**

1. **Apologies for Absence:** R Fox, Trustee.
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 3 July 2017 at the BIC, Bournemouth.**  
There were no amendments and they were signed as a correct record.
3. **Matters of Urgent Business**  
There were no matters of urgent business.
4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes:** none
5. **President's Report – J Hill**  
An annual report was published in *Colorectal Disease* and in the ASGBI journal. E-communications were regularly circulated by the ACPGBI secretariat. The Board of Trustees included some lay members and past-presidents. The impact factor of *Colorectal Disease* had increased to 2.68. There had been much interest in mesh. Andy Williams had participated in several media interviews. The Pelvic Floor Society had issued a statement on LVMR. The IMPACT programme (Improving Management for Patients with Advanced Colorectal Tumours) was being delivered over a two-year period. Three events had already been held. An initiative to encourage colorectal research engagement had been launched (CReaTE -Colorectal Research and Trial Engagement). Two pilot events had been held so far. Feedback from both had been very positive. Links with other organisations were being developed. The programme for the annual meeting included a session on Tripartite 2020 Vision. The aim was to develop international collaboration on various projects. The pouch database had been discontinued and SWORD was to be developed. The publication of some position statements in *Colorectal Disease* was pending. The TATME programme was progressing. The Patient Liaison Group provided excellent support and was involved in a joint session at the annual meeting. Professor Hill concluded his report stating it had been a privilege to serve as President.
6. **Honorary Secretary's Report**  
P Sagar thanked the Executive for their support.

Elections to Council

President 2018-2019

Mr Brendan Moran

President-Elect 2018-2019	Miss Nicola Fearnhead
President-in-Waiting 2018-2019	Professor Steven Brown
Pathology Representative 2018-2021	Dr Andrew Robinson
Chapter Representatives (term of office is three years)	
Wessex	Graham Branagan
East Anglia	TBC
Mersey	TBC
Northern Ireland	TBC
North Wales	TBC
NE Thames	TBC
Ireland	TBC

6.5 **Revision of the Articles of Association**

It was agreed nem con that the approval of membership applications be devolved to the Executive Trustee Members.

7. **BDRF Report – A Senapati**

Noted: a written report in the agenda papers. Income to the charity in 2017 was £434K. Eleven new projects had been awarded funding. Increasingly applications were being sent for external review due to conflicts of interest. A Senapati thanked The ACPGBI and its staff, Austin Acheson and Jim Hill for their support. The BDRF was going from strength to strength.

8. **Honorary Treasurer’s Report**

T Cook explained the BDRF was a subsidiary of the ACPGBI and hence both the consolidated accounts for the group and the accounts for the charity were presented. The accounts for the Dukes’ Club and the Pelvic Floor Society were included under the ACPGBI umbrella. Income was mainly from membership subscriptions, the annual meeting, *Colorectal Disease*, The Dukes’ Club and the Pelvic Floor Society. Around 25% of expenditure was on education. There was a surplus of £58,000 at 31st December 2017. This was mainly attributable to the PFS. The 2017 annual meeting was financially successful. Reduction of the reserves in the business account was not sustainable in the long term. There would be a £10 increase in the membership subscription for Ordinary Members from January 2019 and pro rata increases for other membership categories. A 3% discount for paying by direct debit would continue. Industry funding for the Coloproctology Tutor had ceased and so the post had been discontinued. Funding for two fellowships for East European doctors had been removed and the number of ACPGBI/Dukes’ Club fellowships had been reduced to two. Investment in the website and a new membership database were planned. Funding of £50,000 had been allocated to the IMPACT programme and the CReaTE roadshows were being financially supported.

9. **Presentation of accounts for 1 January – 31 December 2017**

The consolidated accounts for the period 1 January – 31 December 2017 for the Association of Coloproctology of GB & I (registered company 5962281, registered charity 1118063) were included in the tabled AGM papers.

The total consolidated figures (i.e. including BDRF) were revenue of £1,335,076 and expenditure of £1,239,252, a group surplus of £95,824. The total consolidated funds at 31 December 2017 were £1,321,203, of which £1,075,922 related to the parent charity ACPGBI.

Income from *Colorectal Disease* journal in 2017 was £44,143.

The accounts were approved nem con.

10. **Reappointment of Auditors**

The proposal to reappoint Ford Bentall LLP as auditors was accepted nem con.

11. **The Appointment of Directors and Non-Executive Trustees of the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland, company registration number 5962281, registered charity 1118063**

Noted:

Professor RJC Steele (Appointed 9 October 2017)

Mr J Bell (Appointed 9 October 2017)

Professor PJ Finan (Appointed 9 October 2017)

Ms R Fox (Appointed 9 October 2017)

Mr NA Scott (Appointed 9 October 2017)

Mr JG Williams (Appointed 9 October 2017)

Noted: Mr C Maxwell-Armstrong and Mr B Moran were appointed Directors / Executive Trustees with effect from 11 July 2018.

**The resignation of Directors and Trustees of the Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland, company registration number 5962281, registered charity 1118063**

Noted:

Ms J Brodie (Appointed 9 October 2017) resigned 5 July 2018.

Professor J Hill - resigned with effect from 11 July 2018.

Professor P Sagar - resigned with effect from 11 July 2018.

12. **Date of next meeting:** in the period 1 – 3 July 2019 at the CCD, Dublin