

PPG Meeting Minutes - 9th January, 2023

1	<p>Attendance</p> <p><u>Present:-</u> Steve Bates, Jane Hanlon, Gordon and Angela Lovell, Bob and Vanda Gould, Judith Westall, Fay Read, Jan Lloyd, Jacqui Coleman, John Neale, Mark Pitman, Christine Cartright</p> <p><u>Apologies:-</u> Elspeth Woods, Shona Manson, Sarah Setterfield, Sheila Dale, Penny Liddiard, Clive Robinson, Sandra Whitefoot</p>
2	<p>Minutes of December Meeting. Acknowledged and approved.</p>
3	<p>Speaker – Ray Mitchener</p> <p>Ray started his talk by affirming that he is not an expert on Apiary but then proceeded to give a very interesting and comprehensive talk on the subject. Together with slides he gave a thorough explanation about the roles and lives of the three categories of Bees – Queen + Worker + Drone. Then described the construction and function of hives and how bees live in them. He explained the way honey is produced and it's varied uses, including the value of honey-impregnated bandages for treating wounds and aiding a speedy recovery. There were a great number of questions.</p> <p>Steve expressed our appreciation for a very interesting talk and presented the Voucher.</p>
4	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. No speaker suggestions at this time. b. No Covid Vaccination Clinics are planned at this time. c. A questionnaire will be circulated to ascertain members' views on their preferred day of the week for meetings. d. Following a discussion about the question of the PPG making a donation towards a Doppler tool for the surgery it was proposed, <u>'That once the surgery had trialled a Doppler tool and decided that it wishes to acquire one the PPG will make a donation, (amount not yet decided) towards the cost of it.</u> Proposed by Jan Lloyd. Seconded by John Neale. There being no counter proposal and no contrary view expressed it was agreed that all were in favour.
5	<p>Appreciation</p> <p>On behalf of the PPG Steve expressed his appreciation for the generous hospitality by the surgery for the PPG at their Christmas meeting, mentioning Jane in particular. Members expressed their appreciation.</p>
6	<p>Ideas for the future</p> <p>This item was postponed for future discussion due to the time.</p>

7	Surgery Update Jane reported the extremely disappointing news that our surgery will not be receiving funding for any new premises. This is new news and the surgery have not yet had time to assimilate and decide on the future.
8	A.O.B – Nil
9	Date of Next Meeting - 13th February