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All-Party Parliamentary Health Group – Reconstitution and Annual General Meeting

17.30, Tuesday 17th July 2018

Room O, Portcullis House

Attendees

- Peter Dowd MP (Lab)
- Kevin Foster MP (Con)
- Lord Rennard (Lib Dem)
- Karin Smyth MP (Lab)
- Helen Whately MP (Meeting Chair) (Con)
- Mohammad Yasin MP (Lab)

- Emelie de Wagt, Group Manager, APHG Secretariat
- Lucy Cork, Health Advisor, APHG Secretariat

Apologies

- Baroness Julia Cumberlege (Con)
- Lord Philip Hunt of King's Heath (Lab)
- Baroness Ilora Finlay of Llandaff (Crossbench)
- Baroness Masham of Ilton (Crossbench)
- Sarah Jones MP (Lab)
- Thelma Walker MP (Lab)
- Baroness Joan Walmsley (Lib Dem)

Minutes

- Chair Helen Whately MP welcomed all in attendance. A special thanks to Kevin Foster MP, who helped to reach quorum as a non-officer of the APHG.
- The minutes of the last AGM were reviewed and it was agreed that they were a fair reflection of proceedings.
- All existing officers of the APHG were re-elected except Mohammad Yasin MP who stepped down due to time restrictions, Maria Caulfield MP and Maggie Throup MP, who both stood down due to Ministerial roles.
- No new APHG Officers were elected. Norman Lamb MP has told the APHG separately that he would be happy to continue as a Member of the APHG (an unofficial role that does not appear on the APPG registry)

- Peter Dowd MP becomes Co-chair.
- The following APHG GDPR motion has been approved:

The officers of the All-Party Parliamentary Health Group (APHG) agree for Policy Connect, in its role as provider of secretariat services to the APHG, to act as a data processor for all personal information related to the operation of the APHG. Policy Connect is fully compliant with the latest GDPR legislation and has a publicly available privacy statement on the Policy Connect website.

- Lucy Cork, APHG Secretariat, explained the financial statement for the APHG 2017 – 18.
 - The APHG does not invoice Associate Members directly
 - Invoicing and other administration is managed by Policy Connect on behalf of the Group
 - For the purposes of financial reporting it is stated that Policy Connect provides the Group with benefits in kind
 - This has been agreed with the Office of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards.
- The financial statement for the APHG 2017 – 18 was approved by all attending officers and signed by Helen Whately MP.
- The proposed future programme was introduced by the Secretariat, distributed in hard-copy to all attendees:
 - Proposed APHG Programme 2018/19 can be broken down roughly in 3 sections: 1) Understanding the current NHS; 2) Looking ahead in healthcare; 3) Building APHG engagement.
- Karin Smyth MP and Helen Whately MP expressed the need for the Group to cover workforce issues.
- Helen Whately MP said social care needs to be on the agenda - that a reaction to Government plans in autumn would be best yet it depends on what the consultation asks.
- Attendees discussed who would be a suitable speaker for the October dinner: suggestions included Paul Johnson, Director of the Institute of Fiscal Studies, Andrew Dillon, Professor Lord Ara Darzi, Dame Julie Moore; Lesley Dwyer, outgoing CEO of Medway NHS Trust; Dr Anita Charlesworth.
- Due to limited time and multiple divisions announced at 6pm, the meeting comes to an end.
- Helen Whately MP thanked all attendees and brought the proceedings to a close.