

**Record of the Penguins Against Cancer Trustees meeting
held on 07/12/25 Teams Meeting at 12:00.**

Item	Description	Action
(a)	(b)	(c)
1	<p>Attendees: 11</p> <p>Trustees: I Abbs, L Aaron, C E Beardmore, B Challacombe, P Davis, C Gush, D Gush, P Gush, S Hughes, A Mistlin, G Thomason</p> <p>Representative: I Gush</p>	
2	<p>Apologies for absence:</p> <p>Trustees: C A Beardmore</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising (Not covered elsewhere in agenda):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actions from last meeting. • Sum Up Machine. – Used to have 2, 1 lost in 2023. In contact with Sum Up, refusing to verify as they don't want system used for charitable donations. Suggestion to consult other charities. • Finance Policy. – Financial practice is well established but needs to be formalised, the process will be documented in time for the annual return to the Charity Commission. • Fundraising regulations. – Updated regulations came into force in November 2025, based on a set of core principles. Fundraising must be legal, open, honest, and respectful. 	<p>President</p> <p>P Gush</p> <p>D Gush</p> <p>D Gush</p>
4	<p>Membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership. – Membership, current position. (151 in June)- Increased + 16 regular payments being rec'd. (2 x increased payments) (167 members) Student Council to take care with incentivisation schemes. • Updates. – Membership quarterly bulletin. - Christmas newsletter - 22/12/25 	<p>I Gush / P Gush</p> <p>P Gush</p>
5	<p>Financial Position:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial Statement - £140,000 disbursed so far this year, on track to break previous record. £2,500 in account, membership subs will bring this up to £4,000 • Year End 24/25 - External Examiner - progress to be checked. • Gift Aid - quick turn around on claims • Bank account - operation and electronic transfer process. Couple of glitches but generally working well. 	<p>G Thomason</p> <p>D Gush</p>

6	<p>Recent PAC activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PAC Annual Golf Day, 12/09/25 - Hever 3rd time, JC organised, largest yet 80 golfers, 12th year. Fundraising around the course. 100 attendees at dinner, £7700 raised. Simon Lau Memorial Match & Dinner, 25/10/25 - 56 at dinner, family attended, Penguins won the match! Money raised £1,200 RTD evening - Annual big thank you even, 80 / 90 guests and presentations, Context for PAC collaboration research committee, Simon provided layman's terms wording for PG. Similar org to PAC, delighted that we will be continuing our joint venture. CB in touch with chief exec. Thames Row - report on website Loch Ness - £2,500 raised - planning again. Report on website. Details of events. - www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/events 	P Gush C Gush P Gush D Gush
7	<p>Future Proposed activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. David's Day Lunch, 28/02/26 - Market Porter booked 40 max attendees Scanlan Cup & GHRFC Ball, 18/04/26 - Chair - BC Penguin Peloton, Guy's to Guy's via Wales, 01-04/05/26 - Hotels booked, 37 cycling. Donation page active. PAC Annual Golf Day, Venue TBC, 19/06/26 - Details to follow Guy's 300th anniversary - Week of events around Guy's, May 2026. PAC opportunity to participate. Dinner. Details to follow. Details of events. - www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/forthcoming-events 	C Gush B Challacombe President P Gush C Gush
8	<p>PAC Research Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Fergus Scholefield Paediatric Cancer Research Award – 10th anniversary, SH and BS in contact. Mark the event with a summary of previous research. Award will remain but likely that 2026 rugby fixture will be the last. Proposal to double grant in 2026 to £10,000 was unanimously approved. The Urological Cancer Small Projects Research Initiative - £20,000 (jointly funded by PAC and The Urology Foundation [TUF] each organisation providing £10,000). Small projects, good applications have been received. Details - www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/research 	S Hughes
9	<p>Recent PAC Grants Made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aug-25 The Christie Charity £5,000.00 Sep-25 Imperial College London - Ruth Prosser award £5,000.00 Oct-25 Institute of Cancer Research VII- Simon Lau award £5,000.00 Oct-25 St. Luke's Hospice, Plymouth (V) £5,000.00 Oct-25 Neuroendocrine Cancer UK (II) £6,000.00 Nov-25 Royal Marsden Cancer Charity (VII) £5,000.00 Nov-25 Macmillan Unit (II) £3,000.00 Nov-25 Institute of Cancer Research (VIII) - Fergus Scholefield award £5,000.00 Nov-25 Saving Faces £6,000.00 Dec-25 Melanoma Focus £5,000.00 Total disbursed £690,000 	All to note.

	<p>Royal Marston - acknowledged our grant and clarified, “We have spoken with Professor Sanjay Popat, who has confirmed that the funding from Penguins Against Cancer will be used to support an educational event for healthcare professionals” No objection to the proposed use.</p> <p>Full list of grants available https://www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/grants and acknowledgement letters. https://www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/thanks</p>	
10	<p>Future proposed grants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None at present. 	All to note.
11	<p>AOB:</p> <p>Saving Faces - Thanks. You are one of the first who have donated to this campaign to fund a professor who will carry out research to improve treatment into this dreadful disease. Neil has been amazed by the number of people who wanted to donate like yourselves, and he has decided to partner up with Saving Faces and Peter Dyer who is high up in the BDA ideally to raise enough money to fund a dedicated Professor to transforming evidence, earlier diagnosis and outcomes for future patients with mouth cancer. In the future we are hoping to send out messages to all dentists and their patients in the UK to raise sufficient funds.</p>	All to note.
13	DONM: 01/02/26 29/03/26 AGM June (TBC)	All to note

Signed as accurate: C Gush / L Aaron