

Record of the Penguins Against Cancer Annual General Meeting held on 02/12/23 commencing at 12:15

Item	Description	Action
(a)	(b)	(c)
1	Attendees: 22 Trustees: C A Beardmore, C E Beardmore, B Challacombe (T), C Gush, P Gush, P Johnston, A Mistlin, G Thomason Representative / Official: D Gush, I Gush Student Council: R Devlin (T), N FennT) Members: C Pugh, A Chowdrury (T), N White, G Tsolakides, W Beardmore, A Gush (T), S Johnson, Pat Davis, N Davis Observers: S Hodges Venue: The Horseshoe Inn. Attendees (T) joined via Teams remotely. Apologies for absence:	All to note
	Trustees: L Aaron, S Hughes, D Littlejohns, C Small, Pete Davis Student Council: S Lewis Members: D Evans, M Martin	
3	 Matters Arising: PAC Annual Overview. – The 10th anniversary year has proved to be successful for fundraising with two major events contributing towards funds, the Penguin Peloton and the 10th Anniversary Ball were notable. This fundraising alongside other events ensured that grants could be made, and the three annual research awards were allocated. Some Trustees have decided to not stand for re-election, many thanks for their contribution, especially C Small leaving the role of Treasurer and D Littlejohns as Webmaster. Membership has been a focus this year and continues to build. Membership. – P Gush as a Trustee takes responsibility for membership data, I Gush as an Official takes responsibility for increasing and retaining membership. The emphasis on membership drew positive responses following the Golf Day and also following the Ball, work will continue on developing further member numbers The ambition is for the regular member subscriptions to fund the research grants. PAC Membership requires a regular subscription into the PAC account: this can be monthly or annual. Members are able to nominate where PAC grants are disbursed (Cancer Awareness, Cancer Research, Cancer Treatment or Hospices). The aim in our 10th Anniversary year is to significantly increase membership and ideally ring-fence funding for the 3 Research awards set up by PAC. Number of PAC Members (paying Monthly subscription) = 143 Number of PAC Members (paying Annual subscription) = TBC, but currently fewer than 20 New members following the Golf Day = 8 New members following the Ball = 5 	All to note

4 Financial Position:

• Statement of Accounts. – C Small provided the statement of accounts which were summarised by the incoming Treasurer (elect) G Thomason:

This report covers the Financial Year from 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023.

Donations Received

PAC received donation totalling £76,115.25 during FY22-23.

Of this, £39,451.05 (52% of the total) came via GoFundMe (after their 1.9% fee was deducted £606.08) and £36,574.20 (48% of the total) came direct to the PAC NatWest account.

Of the GoFundMe donations £31,284.69 came from Cycling (Tower to Tower and the Penguin Peloton), £3,143.81 from the participation in the Ironbourne Triathlon and £4,777.50 from Gift Aid. Gift Aid was raised on 13.8% of the donations via GoFundMe.

Of the donations direct to the NatWest account, a total of £9,250 came from 1,425 individual, monthly standing order donations (which is 25% of the direct donations). The other direct donations are from such things as one-offs, raffles, GKTWRFC, etc. One very significant and generous donation of £20,000 was made during the year.

Gift Aid has not been collected on the direct donations and an exercise will take place in January to prepare a claim for 5 years back-dated Gift Aid from HMRC.

Grants Disbursed

PAC disbursed **£69,000** during FY22-23 (£95,100 in FY21-22, £22,000 in FY20-21).

NatWest Bank Account

Donations received	£76,115.25
Grants disbursed	£69,000.00
Difference	£7,115.25

Bank balance as at 6th April 2022 £8,326.17 Bank balance as at 5th April 2023 £15,441.42 Difference £7,115.25

PAC running costs FY22-23 £0.00

The statement of accounts was accepted at the AGM by the AGM and approved for submission to the independent examiner in order to comply with Charity Commission requirements.

All to note

Treasurer

5	 Recent PAC activities: Penguin Peloton. – Planning is well underway for the Guy's to Blackpool ride next year, a "recce" day was completed for day 1, accommodation, support and numbers are being finalised. 	All to note President
	• 10 th Anniversary Ball. – Before the report was delivered by C Gush the AGM attendees all agreed it was a hugely entertaining evening and acknowledged the amount of work, from P & C Gush, to make it such a success. Special thanks to Elemis for the 300 gift bags, one for each attendee. The financial breakdown from the evening: £ 6305.26 (Silent Auction) Thanks to J Dunbar for setting this up. £ 6008.83 (Raffle) £21588.31 (Live Auction) £ 7482.03 (Donations) £41,384.43 (Total Raised) Full report on the website, along with a gallery of pictures from the evening and the 10 Years On video. Thanks to I Gush for compiling a very powerful video. Thanks also to the student helpers who were involved on the night.	C Gush
6	Details of events https://www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/events Future Proposed activities:	All to note
	 GHRFC Fergus Scholefield Memorial Cup Match. – Penguins v Freshers. 20/01/2024 GHRFC The Scanlan Cup Match. – Past v Present. 20/04/2024. GHRFC 180th Ball. Steve Duckworth to speak. Further details to follow. 	
	 Penguin Peloton. – 3rd to 5th May 2024 Guy's to Blackpool Tower. 40 riders, 18 of these students. Fundraising will be publicised. 	President
	 PAC Annual Golf Day. – 20/09/2024 at Blackheath Royal Golf Club. Contacts George Ashton & Pat Gush. 	P Gush
	[More detail can be found under Future Events on the PAC website www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/forthcoming-events]	
7	PAC Research Committee: PAC has formed an academic committee to oversee the Research Awards: • The Fergus Scholefield Cancer Research Fund Award (£5000 annually). Institute of Cancer Research. Awarded in May. Dr Joanna Selfe.	All to note
	• The Chris Howell Urological Cancer Research Award (joint with The Urology Foundation) (£5000 annually matched by TUF). Working in conjunction with TUF. The Urology Foundation. Awarded in May. Mr Max Stewart.	
	The Ruth Prosser Women's Cancer Research Award (£5000 annually). University of Dundee. Awarded in August. Dr Sarah Savaridas.	
	 S Hughes sent apologies but provided an update. All 3 awards have been made for 2023, content for the website will be reviewed. Further discussions will take place with the academic committee to discuss how we approach the 2024 awards. 	S Hughes

9	 Recent PAC Grants Made: £5,000 to Target Ovarian Cancer £5,000 to Pancreatic Cancer UK £5,000 to St. Christopher's Hospice Full list of grants available https://www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/grants and acknowledgement letters https://www.penguinsagainstcancer.org.uk/thanks Future proposed grants: The Urology Foundation, £5000 proposed by B Challacombe and C E Beardmore CoppaFeel!, £5000 proposed by C A Beardmore and C Gush Both were endorsed by the AGM. Cheques will be raised in due course. 	All to note
10.	Proposed Trustees and Officials for 2023 – 2024. Proposed Trustees and Officials, re-election required: President. C E Beardmore Vice President and Membership Trustee [1]. P Gush Treasurer. G Thomason Secretary and Webmaster. D Gush Social Secretary. C Gush A Mistlin C A Beardmore L Aaron P Davis Deputy Treasurer. A Gush (Official but not a Trustee) Trustees and Official with specific responsibility for the PAC Research Committee: Lead Trustee. S Hughes B Challacombe I Abbs C E Beardmore B Scholefield (Official but not a Trustee) PAC Student Council [Officials but not Trustees]: P Oregi J John S Lewis F Robinson R Devlin M Gibson N Fenn I Gush (Membership Secretary [2. Official but not a Trustee]) All proposed trustees and officials were approved by the AGM. Treasurer: G Thomason, who will be the lead on the PAC bank account with NatWest and a signatory	

11	AOB:	All to note
	Social Media. – L Arron will be contacted as an alternative method of updating social media maybe possible via the website application. This would be complimentary to the existing updates and not a replacement.	D Gush
	AGM. – Next AGM date to be brought closer to the financial year end, proposed to take place in June 2024. This will be discussed by Trustees at next meeting in January.	G Thomason
	GHRFC. – An email was received from Stephen Challacombe relating to the relationship between the charity and GHRFC. This will be discussed at the next Trustees meeting.	President.
12	DONM: Sunday January 28 th 2024	All to note

Signed as accurate:

C A Beardmore

G Thomason