



ALL-PARTY PARLIAMENTARY THROMBOSIS GROUP

# Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2.00pm to 2.30pm

Meeting Room R, Portcullis House

## Attendees:

Lyn Brown MP (Chair)

Lord Alan Howarth

Liz Twist MP

Ged Killen MP

Nigel Huddleston MP

Danielle Rowley MP

Eve Knight, AntiCoagulation UK

Diane Eaton, AntiCoagulation UK

Robbie Toomey, Four Public Affairs

Zain Razvi, Four Public Affairs

## Election of officers and introduction of new Chair:

- Lyn Brown welcomed attendees to the meeting, outlining that she would be seeking re-election as Chair and that she was seeking nominations to continue in this role. She also proposed that Baroness Masham and David Amess be re-elected as Vice-Chairs, and that Lord Haworth be re-elected as Secretary. This was agreed by all present.

## Approval of group registration form:

- Lyn agreed with the registration of the group, listing the group's officers and statement of purpose: "To promote awareness amongst parliamentarians about the risk and management of venous thromboembolism (VTE); to increase knowledge of its causes, effects, treatments; and to monitor the implementation of government initiatives and other research being undertaken."
- The registration form also declared the group's secretariat services as a benefit in kind: "AntiCoagulation UK pays Four to act as the group's secretariat from grants received from the Pfizer – BMS Alliance and Bayer." Value band of £18,001 - £19,500. This was then signed at a later date.

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- It was agreed amongst attendees that there should be a concerted effort to engage with parliamentarians to build support for potential future activities in Parliament, such as drop-in events, the annual conference and future AGMs.

- Lyn proposed organising a drop-in event to fall in October or November. She suggested that this would be a key opportunity to build relations with parliamentarians and help display the work that the APPTG has been doing.
- There was agreement from attendees that this would be an effective approach and that the event could coincide with World Thrombosis Day 2018 if it was to take place in October.
- Following on from this, there was a discussion around organising a parliamentary event that would coincide with the AntiCoagulation UK Annual awards event held in Parliament.
- Lyn outlined that by September the group needed to draw-up a proposal of a range of activities the APPG could undertake which would cover the next 6 to 8 months.