POSTURE & MOBILITY GROUP (PMG)

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) 2017 MOTORPOINT ARENA, CARDIFF July 19TH 2017

Chair: Diane Hargrove (DH); Honorary Treasurer: Pamela Harper (PH)

Minutes: Olwen Ellis (OE), PMG Manager

- 1. Apologies received from Jack Reffell.
- 2. <u>Minutes of the PMG Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2016:</u> Monica Young proposed acceptance of the 2016 AGM minutes; seconded by Linda Marks. Those present approved the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

3. Matters arising

- **6.1 Status of PMG:** PH clarified the situation with the Office of the Scottish Charities Regulator (OSCR), now that PMG is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). PMG cannot register as a CIO in Scotland because the head office is not located there. However, the CIO registration with the Charity Commission for England & Wales allows PMG to operate in all 4 home countries.
- **4.** <u>Trustees' report</u>: DH hoped that all those present had read the report, which provides an overview of the group's activities in 2016.

5. <u>Treasurer's report</u>:

5.1 Annual Report and Financial Statements

PH highlighted some points from the Annual Report, emphasising that, despite 2016 being a slightly difficult year financially, there were adequate reserves to cover operational costs.

- **5.2** The changes in committee structure and organisation had produced some financial savings in 2016, with no detriment to the smooth operation of the Group.
- **5.3** The 3rd savings account was opened with the Clydesdale Bank in early 2016, and reserves managed so that no account exceeded the ceiling of £75,000.00 covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. The Aldermore account which pays the highest interest was left undisturbed as much as possible, with the other two savings accounts used to cover operational costs as and when required.
- **5.4** The move to the new accountants has been a success, with good working relations established. The new accounting software has also been a worthwhile investment. **5.5** PH feels confident that PMG is in a good position to face the bumpy financial road predicted for 2017.

Rasheed Ahamed proposed acceptance of the 2016 accounts, and Kirsty-Ann Cutler seconded the proposal. The accounts were duly approved, and signed by DH and PH.

6. New committee members

DH welcomed the new members recently elected to the Conference, Education & Communications and Research committees.

Date and venue of next AGM:

25th July 2018 at Manchester Central Convention Complex, Manchester.