

POSTURE & MOBILITY GROUP (PMG)
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) 2020
ONLINE ZOOM WEBINAR
2nd November 2020

Chair: Susan Gold (SG); **Vice chair:** Nathan Robson (NR); **Minutes:** Olwen Ellis (OE), PMG Manager. OE also stood in for **Honorary Treasurer** Pamela Harper (PH) who was unable to attend at the last minute due to loss of internet.

1. *This being PMG's first virtual AGM, webinar host Joyjit Sarkar (JS) provided housekeeping by directing attendees to the meeting papers available on the PMG website. The agenda was displayed throughout the meeting. JS handed over to SG to chair the meeting.*
2. **Apologies for absence** from Dave Long and PH.
3. **Minutes of the PMG 2019 AGM:** There were no matters arising; Paul Hewett proposed acceptance of the 2019 AGM minutes; seconded by Richard Earl. No dissension expressed, therefore minutes accepted as a true record of the 2019 AGM.
4. **Any other business (AOB):** OE confirmed that there had been no notification of AOB by the deadline set.
5. **Trustees' report:** SG directed attendees to the trustees' report, which provides an overview of the group's activities in 2019/20. She highlighted the following:

i) PMG committees have continued to meet virtually throughout the Pandemic, and have also maintained links with other relevant organisations via email

ii) Plans continue for an actual PMG conference at Telford International Centre (TIC) in 2021, with new contract signed to return in 2022 also. No venue yet agreed for 2023, but the plan is for a northern location, returning to TIC again in 2024

iii) SG thanked Clare Canale (PMG journal editor) for her continued commitment to PMG, also Susan Hillman & Carolyn Nichols (deputy editors)

iv) SG reported that Ffion Lane had resigned from her job with PMG in January 2020, and that her conference work has been outsourced to Conference Collective Ltd

v) SG reminded attendees that PMG membership has been free of charge since 2016, with the group's only income being the surplus from the annual conferences. Having now postponed the event to July 2021, this means that there will have been minimal income for 2 full years by then (just small bank interest and occasional donations). SG appealed to those present to consider donating to PMG via the website. Mark Bowtell kindly provided the link for everyone on the Chat panel

vi) NR mentioned the Amazon Smile donation facility that members could also use to support PMG financially.

6. Treasurer's report

i) SG noted that there was a question from the floor as follows: [REDACTED]

ii) In PH's absence, OE read out the Treasurer's report, which was also available to read via the link provided to AGM papers at the start of the meeting

iii) In response to SG asking for any questions from the floor, an attendee asked [REDACTED]

7. Any other business

JS noted that there had been requests for some sort of follow up to the Remote Assessment & Prescription webinar. Agreed that PMG will consider options.

8. Date and venue of next AGM

i) Agreed that future AGMs should continue to be held virtually, possibly linked again to a training webinar, which would help guarantee more attendance than live AGMs have experienced in recent years. It also saves money, as no need to hire a room

ii) **18th October 2021** agreed as provisional date

iii) NR noted a further question from the floor [REDACTED]

9. SG thanked everyone for attending and everyone involved in creating the webinars; OE thanked JS for all his hard work getting PMG's first virtual event in place for today. JS reminded everyone about the next webinar on 7th December 2020.

POSTSCRIPT

On receipt of the post event reports, it was noted that the 3 questions from the floor were put to the meeting by one or more *anonymous* attendee(s). Consequently, the PMG trustees decided that these sections of the minutes be redacted, and that members and attendees will be instructed at future AGMs that no anonymous questions will be taken.