

**CARNOUSTIE MEDICAL GROUP  
PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP**

**Minute of Business Meeting held at Parkview Primary Care Centre  
on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 3pm**

**Present – Meeting Chair – Pauline Ward**

**Minute Secretary – Ethel O’Donnell**

**Treasurer – Stuart Anderson**

**Committee – Sheena Pritchard, Alison Smith, Ruth Jack, Nancy Rudd,**

**Pauline Craw, Barbara Bromley, Pat Hay, Margaret McKinlay**

**Apologies- No apologies**

**Task**

<p><b>1. Pauline welcomed all to the meeting. Ethel introduced Lynn Baird, Tayside Podiatry Service Manager</b> to give an update on Podiatry services in Tayside. This proved to be a very informative talk highlighting how the service has changed in the last two decades. For the 6 Angus bases it is staffed by 9.6wte podiatrists and 1wte podiatrist assistant. The service receives 150 new patients per month. The 1500 patient contacts per year mainly receive weekly/monthly care for foot ulcerations. Free foot care for over the 65year olds is no longer offered nor is foot care for conditions with no underlying medical condition. It is now a disease specific service addressing long term conditions, such as diabetes, chronic degenerative neurological disease and children from pre-school to secondary age groups. The service provides nail surgery, addresses muscular-skeletal problems and can be referral can be made electronically, by a healthcare professional referral form or self-referral. All referrals are triaged by a podiatrist. This service is complimented by other voluntary footcare services and independent practitioners addressing the needs of less urgent conditions and nail cutting. The demand is high and does not always meet the need.</p> <p>A question-and-answer session followed which proved to be popular and very useful and appreciation was shown to Lynn for giving up her time to come and share this important update with the PRG.</p> <p><b>3pm - Business meeting –</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. PW welcomed all to the business meeting. There were no apologies.</li><li>2. Minute of the meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026 was taken as read, approved by NR, seconded by RJ.</li><li>3. Matters arising –<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Tip Top Toe has new volunteers but more are needed.</li><li>ii. Meeting re integrating robotics into GP surgery PODs - Both SP &amp; PC attended and reported although interesting ideas were shared on how it would work there was not a significant difference from current practice.</li><li>iv. PRG notice board in waiting area – PW met with John and a space will be available at the framework space on the reception side of the waiting area. More discussion needed on the actual format it will take when the new PM is in place.</li></ol></li><li>4. No Medical Group updates available.</li><li>5. Finance – As per AGM report. Internet banking is now set up with Bank of Scotland with</li></ol>	
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<p>only minor details to be put in place.</p> <p>3.15 - SA left the meeting.</p> <p>6. Power of Attorney meeting – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 6pm for 6.30pm in Lochty room, Carnoustie Library. To be advertised on Carnoustie FB page. Thanks, extended to PH for her contribution in suggesting and arranging contact for this public meeting. Posters to be displayed in local premises.</p> <p>7. Social media platform to raise awareness of the PRG –</p> <p>i. While considered a good resource for advertising to engage with the public to get support at events, some caution is needed when discussing PRG matters.</p> <p>ii. A proposal was made to purchase a PRG banner to display at events. A costing exercise will be made.</p> <p>8. Befrienders Group – two public meetings are booked in the Coop meeting room on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 7pm. PW will post these events on FB.</p> <p>9. What’s App contact – All those present agreed in the setting up of a What’s App group to make communication within the group more efficient. EOD will send PW contact information to do this.</p> <p>10. AOCB –</p> <p>i. As a follow up to the previous PRG efforts to raise awareness of support for patients with menopause issues, SP reported on a recent meeting in Carnoustie library which she attended. The response from the public was poor and discussion was limited due to this.</p> <p>With business complete the meeting closed at 3.45pm</p> <p>Date &amp; Venue of next meeting – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 10th in PPCC at 2pm.</p> <p>Ethel O’Donnell</p> <p><i>Ethel O’Donnell</i></p> <p>Minute Secretary Date 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026.</p> <p>Minute approved..... Date.....</p> <p>Seconded..... Date.....</p>	<p>SA</p> <p>PW EOD</p> <p>EOD</p> <p>PW</p> <p>PW / EOD</p>
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