

## Diabetes U K Ashford Support Group

### Committee Meeting 5/02/08

#### Minutes

Present at the meeting:

Mark Endacott (Chairperson), Sarah Strand, Colin Strand, Dave Robinson, Mike Gulliver (Treasurer) and Denise Gulliver (Secretary).

- The Chairman read over and signed our group Charter. Denise will post the signed charter to Diabetes UK.
- It was agreed that the name of our group would be “Diabetes UK Ashford Support Group”.
- Treasurer reported we have a total of £4.49 in our possession. He will be going to Nat West in Staplehurst on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2008 to set up our bank account.
- It was agreed at this time the groups aims are:
  - An open forum of discussion
  - Help and support
  - Have guest speakers
  - Perhaps link up with other groups
  - To help Diabetes in our local area.
- It was agreed we would have group meeting every second month and we would have committee meetings on alternative months.
- We have agreed that we want our own website and Mark will set it up for us.
- Sarah is going to arrange a hire of a hall for a group meeting around the end of May. The cost of this is £5.00 an hour.
- Mark is going to approach Accu-Chek to see if they would hold a stall at our first group meeting.
- Colin will arrange a raffle and will take care of getting the tickets and gift(s).
- Denise will contact the Maidstone Diabetes Support Group to see if someone would come and give a talk about what they do in their group.
- Mike and Denise will do the poster to advertise our first group meeting. Sarah will distribute to all the doctor’s surgeries in Ashford.
- Mark will see about getting copies of the Voluntary Groups Handbook for the other members of the committee.
- Mark will find out from Diabetes UK when they can do a mailing for us.
- Mark will see if and when we can get a talk about DAFNI.
- Our next meeting will be Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 2008, same location.