

Diabetes U K Ashford Support Group

Committee Meeting #2

25/03/08

Minutes

Present at the meeting:

Mark Endacott (Chairperson), Sarah Strand (Vice Chairperson), Colin Strand, Torie Davies, Mark Davies, Mike Gulliver (Treasurer) and Denise Gulliver (Secretary).

Absent: Dave Robinson.

Guests at the meeting:

Elsie Ridgeway PCT User Representative/Paula Carr Volunteer and Estelle Kennedy former Chairperson.

- Mark and Torie have just completed the DAFNE course and highly recommend the course.
- There will be a Networking Day on 29th October 2008, venue to be confirmed for all voluntary/support groups in Kent.
- It was brought to our attention by Estelle that most of the fundraising is done during Diabetes week which is June 8-14th. Fundraising will be brought up at our first general meeting.
- Parking cost was considered to be an issue with holding our general meetings at the Paula Carr Centre. It was agreed to have our first general meeting at the Paula Carr Centre because there was no charge to do so. We will bring up the issue of the location of the meetings at the first public group meeting.
- Torie (?) will contact Julian West at the PAL Desk to see if arrangements could be made to have free parking at the William Harvey Hospital.
- It was agreed by all for us to have the first public meeting at the Paula Carr Centre on Tuesday 20th May 2008.
- Mark will speak to Anne Marie who runs the DAFNE course about being a guest speaker. Elsie will contact Pam Walsh (eye screening) about being a guest speaker.
- It was agreed by all to take £50 out of the £100 that we will get from Diabetes UK to pay for our first years costs for our website.
- Mark will prepare a questionnaire for our first general meeting.
- A poster will be done for our first general meeting by Denise and passed on to Mark for final approval. Sarah and Torie (via Mark) will see that all GP's will get a copy of the poster. We all will try to distribute the poster to other appropriate places.
- It was also felt that we could advertise our meetings via Mike Bennett at the Kentish Express, Radio Kent and the hospital radio. This will be looked into by Torie Davies.
- Sarah will talk to Dave and between them they will arrange the raffle for our first public meeting.
- Elsie Ridgeway donated £3 to our group.
- Mike and Denise will see if Diabetes UK has a problem with us as well as Estelle being able to receive publications from them.
- Mark (?) will see about getting the key to the Paula Carr Centre at the Porter's hut for our next committee meeting.
- Our next meeting will be Tuesday the 15th of April 2008, at the Paula Carr Centre.