

ALL PARTY PARLIAMENTARY GROUP ON RARE, GENETIC AND UNDIAGNOSED CONDITIONS

Annual General Meeting

Time: **1-3pm**
Date: **Tuesday 28 February 2017**
Venue: **Terrace Pavilion, House of Commons**

Parliamentarians in attendance

Title	Party
Andrea Jenkyns MP	Conservative
Ben Howlett MP	Conservative
Catherine West MP	Labour
Rt Hon Cheryl Gillan MP	Conservative
Rt Hon Gisela Stuart MP	Labour
Jo Churchill MP	Conservative
Justin Madders MP	Labour
Kit Malthouse MP	Conservative
Lord Rogan	Ulster Unionist Party
Marcus Jones MP	Conservative
Roger Gale MP	Conservative
Rt Hon Sir Greg Knight MP	Conservative
Sir Julian Brazier MP	Conservative
Will Quince MP	Conservative

Minutes

1. Welcome and introduction from Alastair Kent OBE, Director of Genetic Alliance UK

The event was introduced by Alastair Kent OBE, Director of Genetic Alliance UK which provides the secretariat to the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Rare, Genetic and Undiagnosed Conditions.

Alastair Kent OBE provided an overview of what the APPG has achieved in its initial year, which includes ten meetings and the publication of two reports.

Alastair Kent OBE discussed the importance of all stakeholders in the rare disease community working together to achieve the aims of the APPG on Rare, Genetic and Undiagnosed Conditions and make a difference to the lives of rare disease patients.

2. Election of Chair

Alastair Kent OBE introduced the election of the Chair of the APPG.

Ben Howlett MP was the sole candidate for the position. All attending parliamentarians voted for Ben Howlett MP.

Ben Howlett MP thanked members of both Houses and other attendees.

3. Election of Vice-Chairs

Ben Howlett MP introduced the election of the Vice-Chairs of the APPG.

All four current Vice-Chairs stood for re-election: Cheryl Gillan MP; Lord Turnberg; Lord Patel and Baroness Neville-Jones. There were no other candidates and no new positions were created.

Cheryl Gillan MP, Lord Turnberg, Lord Patel and Baroness Neville-Jones were all elected unanimously by parliamentarians in attendance.

4. Discussion of future work

Ben Howlett MP thanked members of both Houses for their participation in the Annual General Meeting.

Ben Howlett MP discussed the future work of the APPG.

5. Close