



## **All Party Parliamentary Group on Vascular Disease AGM**

**To raise awareness of vascular disease and to encourage actions to promote a greater priority for its prevention and treatment; to encourage research into the causes of vascular disease; to advance excellence and innovation in vascular health; and to inform parliamentarians of the work of medical professionals and those who provide support services for patients and their relatives.**

**Minutes of the AGM at 4.30pm on 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 in Committee Room 20, Palace of Westminster**

### **PRESENT**

**MEMBERS** – Neil Carmichael MP (Chair), Sir Peter Bottomley MP (Vice-Chair), Bob Blackman MP

**SECRETARIAT** – Paul Bristow, Adam Gilbert, Melissa Barnett

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Andrew Lansley MP, Brian Donohoe MP, Graham Brady MP, Mark Lazarowicz, Derek Twigg MP, Jane Ellison MP, Andrew Gwynne MP, Lord Ribeiro, Hywel Williams MP, Adrian Sanders MP, Bob Russell MP, Mike Crockart MP, Graham Evans MP, Robert Walter MP, Paul Beresford MP, Anne McGuire MP, Debbie Abrahams MP, David Anderson MP, Iain McKenzie MP, Robin Walker MP, Stephen Dorrell MP, Ben Wallace MP, Jim Hood MP, Anne Begg MP, Caroline Lucas MP, Alan Beith MP, George Freeman MP, Chi Onwurah MP, Steve Brine MP, Liz Kendall MP, Elfyn Llwyd MP, Sammy Millar, Jon Moss, Philip Davey, Candy Jeffries, George Hamilton, Ray Cuschieri, Huon Gray, Jai Patel, Steve McNeice, Sam Gallop, Steven Yeats, Robin Ireland, Paul Bachoo, Tim Lees, Ian Loftus, Janet Ratcliffe, Gerard Goh, Jonothan Earnshaw, Ian Franklin, Rebecca Wilkinson, Iain Robertson, Jeanette Oliver, David Dawson

### **1. INTRODUCTION FROM NEIL CARMICHAEL MP (Chair)**

Neil Carmichael MP opened the meeting and provided an update on the groups recent activities including his address to the British Invasive Radiology Conference in November 2014.

## **2. AGM of the Vascular APPG**

- The AGM of the group was held and Neil Carmichael MP was re-elected chair of the group, with Chi Onwurah MP and Peter Bottomley MP remaining vice-chairs.

## **3. Discussion on recommendations of the Vascular APPG's report**

- Paul Bristow led a discussion of the Group's report . ['Tackling Peripheral Arterial Disease more Effectively'](#) highlighting the recommendations and the amputation rates for amputations in each area.

## **4. Discussion on future plans of the APPG**

- The 2015/16 plan for the All-Party Group was presented. Following a short discussion, the plan was passed by the Members.

### **Meeting Ends**

Feedback on the minutes – please send to Adam Gilbert at [adam@pbpoliticalconsulting.com](mailto:adam@pbpoliticalconsulting.com)