



**Heart Valve Voice Trustee Meeting**  
**6:00pm, 9th of December 2020**  
**Virtual call**

<b>Attendance:</b>	Alison Banayoti, Keith Jackson, Chris Young, Chris Arden, Yassir Javaid, Sue Alderton,
<b>Heart Valve Voice:</b>	Wil Woan, Elske Simpson, Callum Ferguson
<b>Apologies:</b>	Amanda Bott, Patricia Khan
<b>Absent:</b>	Shelley Rahman Haley

### **Welcome**

Since our last meeting Dr Jarir Amarin has handed in his resignation. Jarir felt he was not able to fulfil the time commitment needed for the role. Dr Amarin has been with us since the formation six years ago and has shaped the foundations of the charity. We're very grateful to Jarir for dedicating his time, skills and expertise with Heart Valve Voice. We hope him the best and we look forward to working with him on future projects.

Chris Arden and Chris Young has put forward Dr Yassir Javaid as a replacement on the board. Dr Javaid is a Primary Care Cardiovascular lead in the East Midlands Clinical Network. Qualified from Cambridge University with an interest in cardiology and echocardiography. In 2015, he was named Pulse "GP of the Year" for his work.

Dr Javaid currently sits on the Royal College of General Practitioners Clinical Adviser board for cardiovascular disease. Throughout the years, he has worked with Heart Valve Voice on policy work such as the Towards a Heart Healthy Future: A Gold Standard in the Diagnosis, Treatment and Management of Heart Valve Disease in Adults report and the primary care guide. Not only that but Dr Javaid has been an opinion leader at several conferences through the years, helped out at testing events and is featured in many of our videos for patients.

"I would support Yassir joining the Trustee Board at Heart Valve Voice. I have worked with Yassir for a number of years and he brings significant expertise to all the projects he works on. He is very well respected across primary care, the cardiovascular sector and across industry and policy makers. I truly believe he will be a great asset to the charity." Chris Arden

"I've met and presented alongside Yassir a few times and I've found him to be an excellent individual. I've been impressed when he has represented Heart Valve Voice and I think he will be a great edition to the Board. I would recommend we welcome him to the December Trustee meeting. Regards Jarir stepping down from the Board, I exchanged lovely emails with him and I would like to pass on his wishes of good luck in our future work and also to say that he will always be proud of his work with us." Chris Young

### **Matters Arising**

- **Actioned:** Constitution has been circulated and with the charity commission.
- **Actioned:** Letter has been sent on behalf of Chris Young and Heart Valve Voice to invite the professional societies to form a clinical advisory panel to work on projects such as the APPG.
- **Actioned:** All-Party Parliamentary Group has been formed and first meeting was held.
- **Actioned:** Clinical advisory Panel will hold their first meeting on the 16th of December.
- Fundraising action plan on hold since introduction of new tiers and restrictions
- Volunteering management role impact report is on hold due to no events allowed.

- **Action:** Neil Betteridge to conduct a volunteering toolkit.
- **Actions:** Reserved funds will be organised.

Previous Minutes were approved.

## Projects

### Clinical Advisory Panel

- First meeting to be held on the 16th of December.
- All professional societies have agreed to sit on the panel
- Huon Grey will be the chair of the panel.

### Photography Competition

- The competition has been paused until the end of January due to new restrictions and further lockdowns.

### Website and App development

- Testing period will begin on the 18th of December for the interactive website page.
- Phase 2 planning will begin to create a mobile app to add further features.

### SCTS Fundraiser 2021

- We've partnered with SCTS and Welsh Hearts to organise a virtual fundraising run as part of the conference.

## Policy

### All Party Political Group (APPG)

- First meeting was held on the 25th of November. Meeting minutes has been agreed upon by all of the members.
- Steve McCabe chaired the meeting.
- Plans to have guest speakers such as Nick Linker.

### Scotland

- Wil Woan met with the clinical director for heart valve disease in Scotland.
- Exhibition and testing events in the Scottish Parliament will be held in the spring of 2021. Depending on covid.
- Stakeholders scoping will be completed in the first quarter of 2021.

### Wales

- Plans to create case studies in Welsh hospitals.
- Plans to re-evaluate new rules around Tavi patients to follow ESC rules.

### Primary Care Networks

- 2021 will concentrate on Primary Care Networks.
- Elske to begin a scoping document about PCN and cardiovascular leads.
- Main items will be around symptoms recognition in both the public and PCN, access to echo and referrals.

### Valve for Life

- Heart Valve Voice is the official partner of ESC's Valve for Life
- Valve for Life is centred on TAVI and mitral clips.

## Website & Social Media Report

- All social media platforms are continue to grow at a steady pace
- Magazine is in the initial planning stages. Please email Elske if you want to add any comments or suggestions about the next edition.

## External Funding and Financial Update

- 2019-2020 accounts is currently with Jennifer the accountant and should be signed off before Christmas.
- Liva Nova will not continue funding valve organisations.
- Boston Medtech has begun funding Heart Valve Voice projects.
- **Actions:** Reserve funds will be established at the start of the new year.
- **Actions:** bids plans to be established for next year.

## Other business

- Trustee meeting for 2021 will be sent out in the new year.

On a sober note, Patricia Khan has put her resignation in via Wil Woan and has enjoyed her time with Heart Valve Voice. We'll miss Pat's insight into heart valve disease's experiences and all her advice she has given the charity over the years. Pat feels that it is time that a new patient with more current experiences to sit on the Trustee Board. She will still offer volunteering at events and will continue to support the charity. We're very sad to see her go but understand the timing for her parting.