



**Co-Chairs meeting**  
**APPGB on Breast Cancer**  
**30 January 2019 9.15am-10.15am**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Apologies</b>
Philippa Whitford MP	
Bambos Charalambous MP	
Craig Tracey MP	
Kirsty MacAulay, office of Philippa Whitford	
Eleanor Thompson, Campaigns and Public Affairs Manager, Breast Cancer Now	
Olivia Lam, Policy and Campaigns Officer, Breast Cancer Care	
Sarah Osborn, Policy and Campaigns Officer, Breast Cancer Now	
Ailar Hashemzadeh, Public Affairs Officer, Breast Cancer Now	

**1. Introductions**

**2. APPGBC workplan**

AH updated co-chairs on the proposed workplan for the year ahead. Due to the complex political climate, the Secretariat advised that the plan is subject to change in line with parliamentary activity, but that co-chairs would be informed of any changes.

The co-chairs approved the proposed plan and requested that the next few co-chair meetings are scheduled in now in order that they can ensure it is in their diaries in plenty of time.

Breast Cancer Now's wear it pink photocall in September was mentioned and PW suggested taking a co-chair photo at the event.

**ACTION: AH to contact co-chairs to set dates for next meetings and add to workplan**

**ACTION: Organise APPGBC co-chair photo at wear it pink photocall**

**3. Update briefing proposal**

SO updated co-chairs on the proposed update briefing for the "A Mixed Picture" report. Co-chairs agreed that this would be a good idea and PW emphasised the importance of accurate and informative data collection. PW requested "Getting it Right First Time" data for England.

Secretariat agreed to keep co-chairs informed on the progress of the report and that this would have some elements of sign-off in the next few months.

A meeting will also be requested with the Cancer Minister Steve Brine to discuss the briefing and wider breast cancer issues. Co-chairs also agreed to host a workshop with Cancer Alliances later in the year to discuss key challenges and the policy changes they need.

**ACTION: Secretariat to start work on update briefing**

**ACTION: Secretariat to send GIRFT England info to PW**

**ACTION: AH to request meeting with Steve Brine to discuss the report**

#### 4. Prevention panel event proposal

AH discussed the proposal for a panel event on prevention with co-chairs. PW said that the format would be better suited as a panel discussion with a Q&A from MPs and the public. The focus should be a public health one, not policy based and there should be time for attendees to speak to the panel individually at the end.

Co-chairs suggested ideas to get event out into wider public, providing a live stream of the session and doing a Twitter Q&A where chair can ask questions to the panel. They also requested a big room, such as the Attlee Suite, to host the event. ET suggested Breast Cancer Now can create infographics for MPs to share on Twitter to raise awareness.

PW suggested Professor Annie Anderson as a potential speaker and CT said he has a constituent who delivers talks in primary schools on breast cancer. Secretariat agreed to send a revised event proposal in line with the new format for the event.

**ACTION: AH to send co-chairs a revised event proposal**

**ACTION: AH to ask PW's team to book Attlee Suite when new sitting days are announced for Parliament**

#### 5. Statements for significant announcements

AH asked the co-chairs if they were happy with the current process and volume of activity for APPGBC statements on key breast cancer developments. It was agreed the current level is about right and BC suggested setting up a WhatsApp group for the co-chairs where the Secretariat could post items that needed quick approval.

**ACTION: AH to set up APPGBC WhatsApp group**

#### 6. AOB

CT raised the actions from his meeting with Joanne Myatt and asked Secretariat to check follow-up actions.

CT requested more information on the drugs that are currently going through the NICE pipeline and more information about them before decisions are published.

**ACTION: AH to get in touch with CT's office to confirm Joanne's list of concerns and ensure relevant matters are followed up**

**ACTION: AH to send co-chairs more information on breast cancer drugs in NICE pipeline**