

Sarcoma South UK Support Group

A meeting of the sarcoma support group was held on Wednesday 12th November 2014 at Sunrise of Bassett, 111 Burgess Rd, Southampton SO16 7AG, (02380 983 566)

Draft Minutes

- Apologies:** KW; NS; LC; KT;
V (New CNS Sarcoma Southampton General)

Present: CG1; CG2; SM1; SM2;
YP; TP; MM; RM;
SH; MG; SB; RK; TM
- Minutes** 10th September 2014 Not discussed . (Minutes had been circulated previously and so taken as correct.)
- Guest speaker: Dr Omar Al-Salihi** Consultant Oncologist at Southampton General who has special interest in Teenage and Young Adults (TYA) ; Paediatrics; Sarcoma ; and radiotherapy. Dr Omar gave an excellent informative illustrated presentation on radiotherapy. He outlined the history of radiotherapy and the evolution of radiotherapy and the development of differing new radiotherapy techniques and imaging which has meant that radiotherapy is much more accurate than previously. Late effect toxicities were discussed and there is more awareness of these now. There will be a radiotherapy study (IMRiS) led by Dr Beatrice Seddon (UCH) which will be open next year across sarcoma centres and will include being able to collect data about early and late morbidity of radiotherapy. Dr Omar answered all the questions we asked which was very useful. The group found the talk extremely informative and enjoyable and thanked Dr Omar. (N.B. Post meeting note- TM has sent a follow up email thanking him and also a thank you card expressing group's appreciation.)
- Financial Report** had been previously circulated and SB was thanked for all her work managing the group finances.

5. **January Lunch** Part of the Macmillan grant funds the group to hold a social event and it is proposed to have this at the Hotel Du Vin in Poole on Sunday 18th January 2015. (NB Post meeting note: This date has been confirmed. Please let TM know if you are able to attend.)
6. **AOB**
 - TM needs someone to take over the running of the Southampton group. Anyone interested please contact T.M.

Next meeting on Wednesday 14th January 2015, 2pm – 4pm at The Gove Hotel, 2,Grove Rd, Bournemouth BH 1 3AU (01202 552233)
www.thegrovebournemouth.co.uk

(TM 15/11/14)

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