

Minutes of AGM APPG on Housing and Care for Older People

Time: 10:30am – 10:40am

Date: 06/03/2024

Location: Committee Room 4A, House of Lords

Parliamentarians Present:

- Peter Aldous MP
- Lord Best
- Bob Blackman MP
- Lord Young of Cookham
- Baroness Thornhill
- Baroness Andrews
- Lord Stoneham

Parliamentarians who have registered their support:

- Baroness Barker
- Neil Coyle MP
- Baroness Watkins
- Ruth Cadbury MP
- Rachael Maskell MP
- Natalie Elphicke MP
- Baroness Grey-Thompson

Agenda:

10:30am: Introduction and welcome – Peter Aldous MP

Peter Aldous MP opened the meeting and invited Lord Young to take the Chair. Lord Young proposed the election of the following Parliamentarians en bloc:

Peter Aldous MP – Co-Chair

Lord Best – Co-Chair

Neil Coyle MP – Vice Chair

Baroness Barker – Vice Chair

Members voted unanimously for the election of these Officers.

Financial Statement

Lord Best reported Housing 21's contribution of £4,500 over the past year and thanked them for their financial support for his Parliamentary Assistant, Chloe Halsted, to provide the APPG's Secretariat services.

Lord Best explained that every 18 months the APPG conducts a new inquiry for which we seek separate sponsorship. This year, that support comes from the Abbeyfield Society. The current Inquiry is entitled the "Regeneration of Outdated 'Sheltered' Housing".

APPG activities: report

Lord Best reported the progress of the current Inquiry, with a final launch date of 4 June 2024. He shared the results thus far. Other work has involved making an input into the government's new Older People's Housing Taskforce, headed by Professor Julienne Meyer. This group is due to report in May.

Peter Aldous MP closed the AGM.

Forthcoming APPG dates

30th April: Final Inquiry meeting (closed session)

4th June 3:30pm-5:00pm:

Launch of final Inquiry report

"The Regeneration of 'Outdated' Sheltered Housing"