



All-Party Parliamentary Group
on Housing and Care
for Older People

APPG ON HOUSING AND CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2025

MINUTES

Date: Wednesday 3 December 2025

Time: 16:00 – 17:30

Location: Committee Room 1, House of Lords, London SW1A 0AA

Members present:

- Amos, Gideon (MP, Liberal Democrat, Taunton and Wellington)
- Andrews, Kay (Baroness, Labour)
- Best, Richard (Lord, Crossbench) **(Co-Chair)**
- Cadbury, Ruth (MP, Labour, Brentford and Isleworth)
- Dixon, Anna (MP, Labour, Shipley) **(Co-Chair)**
- Jamieson, James (Lord, Conservative)
- Lytton, John (Earl, Crossbench)
- Shipley, John (Lord, Liberal Democrat)
- Young of Cookham, George (Lord, Conservative) **(Vice-Chair)**

With over the required 8 Parliamentarians present, the AGM was quorate.

Election of Officers:

Lord Young of Cookham proposed Anna Dixon, Labour MP for Shipley, and Lord Best (Crossbench) to be elected **Co-Chairs**.

Agreed nem con.

Lord Best proposed Neil Coyle, Labour MP for Bermondsey and Old Southwark, and Lord Young of Cookham to be elected **Vice-Chairs**.

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It was agreed the AGM satisfied the criteria of the Rules on APPGs, namely:



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- ✓ A Group must have four registered officers (and no more);
- ✓ At least one officer must be from the government party;
- ✓ At least one officer must be from the main opposition party;
- ✓ At least two officers must be from the Commons.

Income and Expenditure Statement, Annual Report, and Due Diligence Statement:

Members were presented the Group's income and expenditure statement for the reporting year October 2024 – October 2025 as well as the due diligence statement in relation to foreign government funding that was recently required of certain APPGs to publish.

Lord Best presented the Group's annual report covering its activities since the Inaugural meeting held in October 2024. He thanked Housing 21, who sponsored the Secretariat with a grant of £4,500. He noted the discussions at recent APPG meetings, including the four evidence sessions held throughout 2025 on the Inquiry prepared by the Housing LIN, *Creating Intergenerational Communities*, which was launched in March 2025. Lord Best announced the Inquiry report launch event date on March 17 2026.

Secretariat and Public Enquiry Point:

It was confirmed that Bruno Dunda, Lord Best's Parliamentary Assistant, will act as the Group's Secretariat and Public Enquiry Point until 31 July 2026.

National Housing Strategy: Pre-publication panel discussion:

Anna Dixon MP took the Chair for a panel discussion with invited speakers on the forthcoming National Housing Strategy, spelling out aspirations for what the Strategy ought to say about older people's housing. The invited panellists were:

- Lisabel Miles, Housing Policy Manager, Age UK



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- Fiona Howie, Chief Executive, Town & Country Planning Association
- Simon Cawte, Group Communications Director, Churchill Living
- Sue Ramsden, Policy Leader, National Housing Federation

Following short presentations by each speaker, the discussion was opened up to the wider audience who posed questions and shared commentary on hopes for the later living content of the National Housing Strategy.

It was agreed that the long-awaited Strategy should take note of the recommendations of The Older People's Housing Taskforce Report, published in November 2024.