

Minutes

Cross Party Group on Dementia

Tuesday 15 July 2015

Conference Room 24, Tŷ Hywel

Topic: Can Wales afford to ignore dementia? and AGM

In attendance

Eluned Parrott AM, Mark Isherwood AM, Suzy Davies AM, Christine Chapman AM, Paul Harding (AMSS Eluned Parrott) James Radcliffe (AMSS Plaid Cymru) Laura Dunn (AMSS Rosemary Butler) Amy Kitcher, Ceri Davies, Alice Southern, Natalie Owen, Mel Williams (Alzheimer's Society) Keith Bowen (Carers Wales) Howard Hopkins, Phil Diamond (Torfaen County Borough Council) Susan Coleman, Helen Lambert (ABM UHB) Stephanie Griffith (Care Council for Wales) Susanne Maddox (GAVO) Rosanne Palmer (Age Cymru) Beverley Jervis (Aging Well in Wales) Sarah Kelland (Bron Afon Support Service) Nest Lloyd-Jones (Welsh NHS Confederation) Cllr Tommy Smith (Tredegar Town Council) Keiron Rees (Carers Trust Wales) Prof Anthony Bayer (Cardiff University) Beti George (Journalist and Carer) Jayne Goodrick (carer) Chris Roberts

Welcome

Eluned Parrott AM welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

Can Wales afford to ignore dementia?

Alice Southern (Alzheimer's Society) gave overview of new report 'The hidden cost of dementia in Wales'.

Jayne Goodrick (Carer) and Beti George (Journalist and carer) gave their accounts of the personal, social and financial cost of caring for loved ones with dementia.

Keith Bowen (Carers Wales) gave further information on the experience of carers across Wales.

Comments and questions from group members

Questions and comments were taken from the floor.

Minutes of last meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were presented and agreed.

Business of AGM

Eluned Parrott AM was elected as Chair and Alzheimer's Society was elected as Secretary.

Close

Eluned Parrott AM thanked everyone for their attendance and drew the meeting to a close.