



PCCS Annual General Meeting (AGM)

14th May 2026, King's Fund London – Minutes

1. Attendance

- PCCS Council: Prof Raj Thakkar (RT), Dr Jim Moore (JM), Beverley Bostock (BB), Dr Chris Arden (CA), Alison Warren (AW), Meredith Donaldson (MD), Dr Xenophon Kassianides (XK), Helen Williams (HW), Dr Paul Ferenc (PF), Dr Hannah Wright (HWr)
- Directors: Prof Terry McCormack (TM), Prof Raj Thakkar (RT), Beverley Bostock (BB), Dr Jim Moore (JM), Alison Warren (AW), Chris Arden (CA), Ivan Benett (IB)
- LCW: Lucy Williams, Sophie Voss, Helen Makris and Jade Prentice
- Electoral College and Education Members: 12 total
- Apologies: Michael Norton (MN), Derek Connolly (DC), Sundhya Raman (SR), Trudie Lobban (TL), Deb Lowe (DL)

2. Opening of Meeting

- Meeting opened by Prof Terry McCormack (Chair of Directors)
- Confirmed AGM is for PCCS members only and will be formally minuted

3. President's Report – Prof Raj Thakkar

- Membership growth to 7,469 with strong multidisciplinary representation
- Significant digital engagement: over 105,000 page visits and strong podcast reach across 31 countries
- Successful delivery of first Multimorbidity Conference
- Introduction of HCP Awards and poster competition to encourage member engagement
- Active involvement in national and international conferences and stakeholder work
- Launch of PCCS Electoral College to support member representation
- Renowned growth in pharmacist membership segment

4. Future Priorities and Leadership Transition

- Prof Raj Thakkar to step down as President in September
- Beverley Bostock introduced as incoming President
- Focus on strengthening collaboration across primary, secondary and tertiary care
- Commitment to ethical healthcare and supporting clinicians in practice
- Engagement with government priorities including women's health strategy



- Need for improved communication and engagement with PCCS members
- Emphasis on mentoring and developing future leaders within PCCS

5. Partnerships and External Engagement

- Strong collaboration with NHSE, NICE and multiple professional organisations
- Continued participation in national advisory groups and programmes
- Expanding partnerships to support education, research and quality improvement

6. Chair of Directors Report – Prof Terry McCormack

- Updated Articles of Association and formal registration as a Community Interest Company
- Introduction of governance framework including Terms of Reference and financial controls
- Launch of Electoral College to enhance democratic participation
- Explanation of PCCS structure including Council, Directors and membership tiers
- Introduction of new member benefit: electric vehicle leasing partnership (DreamLease)
- Focus on succession planning and leadership continuity

7. Financial Report – Treasurer

- 30% increase in revenue over the past two years
- Total forecast income: £338k; total expenses: £170k
- Forecast net surplus: ~£168k, ensuring financial stability
- Income driven by events, partnerships and educational programmes
- Cost efficiencies achieved through digital delivery and in-house systems
- Continued investment in education, webinars, podcasts and academy content

8. Conferences and Events

- Successful delivery of regional and national conferences including Wales, Scotland and Multimorbidity event
- Planned programme for 2026–2027 including Spring, Autumn, Wales, Scotland and Multimorbidity conferences

9. Recognition and Thanks

- Acknowledgement of Council, LCW team and partners
- Recognition of Prof Raj Thakkar's contribution as President



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10. Any Other Business

- Discussion on collaboration with RCGP and extended roles in cardiology
- Suggestion to strengthen engagement with RCP around accreditation

11. Close of Meeting

- Meeting closed at 17:00

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