

# Cross-Party Group Annual Report 2023

## Cross Party Group on Dementia

### **1. Group membership and office holders**

**Chair** – Rhys ab Owen

**Members** –

- Rhys ab Owen (Chair)
- Jayne Bryant MS
- Luke Fletcher MS
- Mike Hedges MS
- Mark Isherwood MS
- Rhun ap Iorwerth MS

**Secretary** – Laura Courtney, Alzheimer's Society Cymru

### **2. Previous Group Meetings since the last AGM**

#### **Meeting 1**

**Meeting date:** 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Attendees:**

Heledd Fychan MS (Acting Chair); Lynne Neagle MS; Sion Jones; Huw Owen; Amanda Whent; Ceri Higgins; Andy Woodhead; Nigel Hullah; Valerie Billingham; Versha Sood; Lilli Spires; Ollie John; Karyn Davies; Rebecca Cicero; Melanie Sillett; Helen Cunliffe; Michaela Morris; Rebecca Hanmer; Catrin Hedd Jones; Joe Gape MSSS; George Parish-Wallace; Heather Wenban; Jake Smith; Katherine Lowther; Kevin Duff; Rhys Livesy; Lowri Morgan; Lowri Williams; Padraig McNamara; Melanie Sillett; Oliver John; Suzy Webster; Sally Thompson; Monica A Bason-Flaquer

**Apologies:**

Peredur Owen Griffiths MS; Llyr Gruffydd MS; Rhun Ap Iorwerth MS; Delyth Jewell MS; Dr Rosslyn Offord; Helen Twidle; Sue Phelps, Dr Catherine Charwood

**Summary of issues discussed**

- Update from Deputy Minister for Health and Wellbeing – Lynne Neagle MS
- Discussion on Dementia and Terminology – Presentation by Nigel Hullah
- Dementia and Sport – Huw Owen

#### **Meeting 2**

**Meeting date:** 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023

**Attendees:**

**Present:** Jayne Bryant MS (Acting Chair); Laura Braithwaite Stuart; Sian Gregory; Sion Jones; Huw Owen; Charlotte Knight MSSS; Ryland Doyle MSSS; Ceri Higgins; Andy Woodhead; Nigel Hullah; Valerie Billingham; Tracey Williamson; Ioan Bellin MSSS; Sarah Elliott; Rhian Russell-Owen; Kathryn Morgan; Judith John; Jon Matthias; Ian Dovaston; Lilli Spires; Catherine Charlwood; Catrin Hedd Jones; George Parish-Wallace; Heather Wenban; Katherine Lowther; Lowri Morgan; Lowri Williams; Oliver John; Suzy Webster

**Apologies:** Delyth Jewell MS, Peredur Owen Griffiths MS, Llyr Gruffydd MS, Chris Roberts and Jayne Goodrick, Claire Morgan, Neil Mason, Rebecca Cicero, Alison Johnstone, Monica Bason-Flaquer, Helen Cunliffe and Dr Rosslyn Offord.

**Summary of issues discussed:**

- **Presentation on the Allied Health Professionals Dementia Framework for Wales**  
Laura Braithwaite Stuart, Specialist Speech and Language Therapist, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board; Doctoral student Bangor University
- **Research and Dementia: Update on Lecanemab**  
Siân Gregory, Research Information Manager, Alzheimer's Society

**Meeting 3 - AGM**

**Meeting date:** 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Attendees:** Jayne Bryant MS (Acting chair), Luke Pickering-Jones, Clara Gibbs, Jake Smith, Catherine Charlwood, Christina Oakes, Michaela Morris, Andrew Woodhead, Nigel Hullah, Ceri Higgins, Heather Wenban, Rhys Hughes, Valerie Billingham, Polly Winn, Luke Fletcher MS, Padraig McNamara, Sally Hewitt, Hywel Iorwerth, Monica A Bason-Flaquer

**Summary of issues discussed:**

- **Luke Fletcher elected as chair of the Cross-Party Group on Dementia (CPG)**
- **Alzheimer's Society re-elected as the secretariat of the CPG**
- **Update on the Dementia Action Plan for Wales – Lynne Neagle MS, Deputy Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing**
- **Hopes for a new Dementia Action Plan – Nigel Hullah, Lleisiau Dementia**

**3. Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations and charities with whom the Group has met during the preceding year.**

None

## Annual Financial Statement

**2023**

### Cross Party Group on Dementia

**Chair** – Rhys ab Owen MS; **Vice Chair** – Jayne Bryant MS

**Secretary** – Laura Courtney, Alzheimer's Society Cymru

<b>Group's Expenses</b>	None.	£0.00
<b>Costs of all goods</b>	No goods purchased.	£0.00
<b>Benefits received by the group or individual Members from outside bodies</b>	No benefits received.	£0.00
<b>Any secretariat or other support</b>	No financial support received.	£0.00
<b>Services provided to the Group such as hospitality</b>	All meetings online so no refreshments, etc. required.	£0.00
<b>Total cost</b>		£0.00