Minutes of Meeting of APPG on Medical Cannabis Under Prescription

Monday November 3rd 2025 at 15.00 – 16.00

In attendance:

- Tonia Antoniazzi MP
- Lord Stone of Blackheath
- Jeff Smith MP
- Manuela Perteghella MP
- Staff from Anna Sabine's office
- Luella Laville (Tonia Antoniazzi office)
- Mike Barnes (MCCS – secretariat)

1. **Apologies for absence** – received from Baroness Walmsley and Lord Bassam of Brighton.

2. **Minutes of last meeting** – these were accepted as an accurate record

3. **Feedback from chair on meeting with Dr Finbar O'Callaghan (clinical trials) -** Tonia updated the APPG on this meeting.

4. **Eight Recommendations paper mobilisation** – The APPG discussed this report which was published by the group earlier that morning. Tonia noted that the paper had been sent to the Health Department, MHRA and Home Office. There was discussion on how to utilise the report in Parliament as well as more widely, with an ask for members to share on social media. The group were notified of the new web-page that had been set up for the APPG on the Medical Cannabis Clinician's Society website.

5. **ACMD review.** The Secretariat had sent a response to the call for submissions to the ACMD review of Medical Cannabis. The response was reflective of the Recommendations paper recently published. There was a question about timelines for the final report. The secretariat noted that the submission date for the review had recently passed but that the timelines for final ACMD publication was not known.

6. **Medcan Family Foundation event** – 4th November – Tonia reminded attendees of the drop-in event taking place the afternoon of the following day, as well as the further event to be held in the House of Lords the following evening. Members were encouraged to attend.

7. **AOB** – no further business was raised.

8. **Date and time of next meeting and AGM -** to be held on Tuesday 13th January. Location and timing TBC and will be circulated.

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