

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to let you know that the AGM of the Friends will be held on THURSDAY APRIL 19th 2108 at 7.00 for 7.30pm in the meeting hall at Stamford Hospital

The agenda, financial report and minutes of the last meeting will be available on the evening. All Members of the Friends are welcome and do bring relatives and friends with you if you wish, particularly if they are interested in joining.

Following the business part of the meeting I am delighted to report that Dr Jonathon Naylor, Consultant Chest Physician at the Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals, will give a talk entitled "Aeromedical retrieval during the 2014 Ebola outbreak".



Dr [Wing Commander] Naylor has combined his work in the NHS with his RAF career and has had several postings overseas. He was particularly involved in aeromedical retrieval of seriously ill or injured military and civilian personnel and will describe some of those experiences to us. It promises to be a fascinating evening.

Stamford Hospital:

The refurbishment and development of the Hospital, completed last year, are working extremely well, and I am sure that if you have visited the Hospital in recent months you will have noticed the very considerable improvements. Wherever you go in the Hospital you will see evidence of our donations, for example much of the equipment in the eye clinic and phlebotomy department, children's play equipment and wall art, chairs and trolleys in the splendid MRI unit, and much else. None of this would be possible without the generous support of our members and friends.

General Data Protection Regulation [GDPR]:

These new regulations will be introduced soon and cover any organization that holds personal data. We of course have details of the names and addresses, including

many email addresses, of our members. We need your permission to hold this data and at the AGM we will ask you to sign a form consenting to that.

Website:

We are renewing our website and the new version should be ready in a month or two. This will enable us to keep the content much more up to date and we will be pleased to receive comments in due course.

With best wishes, and I hope to see you at the forthcoming AGM.

Michael Dronfield

Chairman, Friends of Stamford Hospital

CHARITABLE LEGACIES

Have you considered including Charities in your Will?

Many Charities, including the Friends of Stamford Hospital, receive a substantial



The MRI scanner

proportion of their income from legacies. In our case this has enabled us to fund some valuable equipment for Stamford Hospital which has allowed the development of new services, particularly recently for ancillary equipment for the MRI scanner and for cataract assessment. The provision of support to our local Hospital in this way gives a powerful message to those who organize the Health Services, namely that Stamford Hospital has

the strong support of local people. The recent substantial developments at the Hospital are clear evidence that this message has been heard and understood.

More information about the work of the Friends of Stamford Hospital is available on our website friendsofstamfordhospital.org.uk . We are registered with the Charity Commission [Charity Number228480] where more information is posted. Individual trustees will be very happy to talk to you further if you wish and there are contact details on the website.

If you wish to mention The Friends of Stamford Hospital in your Will that can be simply done either by adding a codicil to your current Will or writing a new Will. By doing so you will be helping to ensure the continued success of a Hospital that has served local people so well since 1828.