

THE BRITISH SOCIETY OF PERIODONTOLOGY AND IMPLANT DENTISTRY

Minutes of the 72nd Annual General Meeting
held online on Tuesday 15th June 2021, via Zoom.

Present: Professor Mark Ide	Acting President
Professor Wendy Turner	Honorary Secretary
Professor Mike Milward	(on behalf of Honorary Treasurer – Dr Aradhna Tugnait)
Dr Ian Dunn	Webinar Host

and 35 members as recorded in the attendance book.

The President welcomed everyone to the Society's 72nd Annual General Meeting.



1. Apologies for Absence

There was one apology for absence from Professor Martin Ashley.

2. To adopt the Minutes of the 71st Annual General Meeting

It was proposed by Dr Rajan Nansi and seconded by Dr Philip Greene that the Minutes of the 71st Annual General Meeting are taken as read. The motion was carried.

3. Report of the Honorary Secretary

Review of the Year ending December 2020.



Professor Turner reported as follows:

Good evening. For those of you who don't know me, I am Wendy Turner, Honorary Secretary of the BSP, and I am honoured to present the Honorary Secretary's Annual Report for this AGM, which is based on the year ending 2020. I took on the role of Honorary Secretary in January this year and I would like to thank Nicola West for all her years as Honorary Secretary and all the excellent leadership and contributions she has made to the Society, as well as her advice and support.



Taking things in chronological order, we welcomed Professor Nikos Donos as President of the Society in January 2020.

Nikos had an incredibly challenging year, due to the pandemic and also suffered the disappointment of the Conference he had organised being postponed twice.

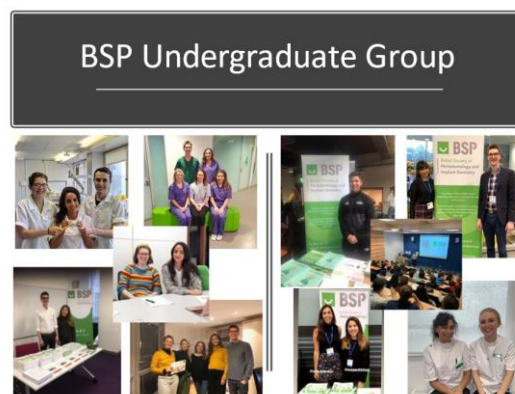


I know that he is extremely grateful to the speakers, sponsors and delegates who have committed to the new date and is looking forward to seeing everyone at the Conference, now running from the 12-14th November. I would like to thank Nikos for the work he did last year for the Society and our membership.

As a Society, we worked incredibly hard to support our members through the challenges that the profession faced from COVID-19, whilst also achieving many of our strategic objectives.

As a result of the pandemic situation, we developed a rapid response team to help support the dental profession adapt to changes in practice and I would like to thank BSP Council members for their dedication and resilience in responding promptly when action was needed - a truly wonderful example of fantastic teamwork!

I am extremely proud of how much the BSP has achieved during these challenging times. As always, the interests of our members have remained at the centre of everything we do and, I hope, that you have felt supported through the many initiatives we undertook in 2020.



The year got off to a good start for our UG Representatives as they attended the Undergraduate Dental Research Conference in Manchester at the end of **February**, and the BDSA Conference at Barts, London at the beginning of **March**, to promote the work of the BSP and the many benefits of membership.

It was unfortunate that, due to the COVID-19 crisis, the Undergraduate planned public events for **Gum Health Day** could not take place in **May**. However, we instead ran a remarkably successful online campaign and promoted Gum Health

Day via our social media platforms. The campaign for 2020 was based around the slogan **“Say No to Bleeding Gums”**.

We invited people to create an image or short video illustrating, "Taking care of my gums while at home." We were overwhelmed with the amazing response and were certainly kept busy sharing and posting the entries. Dental professionals responded with a range of creative ideas, including paintings, pictures, posters, embroidered images, fun and informative videos, with one even using British sign language to convey the important message, "Say No To Bleeding Gums".

Our BSP Undergraduate Representatives helped us to create a real buzz on social media and were extremely proactive in spreading information about Gum Health Day and maintaining oral hygiene. The UG Committee created a fantastic video for Gum Health Day, entitled **"Don't Rush, Just Brush"**, which if you haven't seen, is definitely worth a watch on our YouTube channel!

“By Students, For Students”



University of Birmingham
Hiraa Jamil & Jessica Baxter
Brown



University of Manchester
Oliver Ryder, Jagjit Malhi &
George Cooney

The **“By Students, For Students”** webinars are continuing to attract a large number of viewers. We are delighted that these educational practices of peer learning, in which students interact with each other to develop their understanding and knowledge of periodontology, are proving so useful to students. I would like to thank the Undergraduates from the University of Birmingham and the University of Manchester, who delivered extremely informative and well-presented webinars in 2020.

BSP Patient Forum



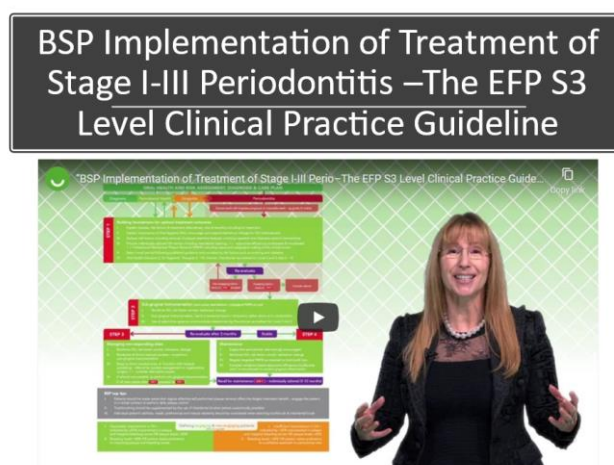


Going back to February, members of the Patient Forum in Scotland contributed to an initiative at the University of Glasgow Dental School by attending a half-day symposium focussed on practical, patient-related aspects of periodontology. In small groups, the students posed questions to the Patient Forum members and gained an insight into the periodontitis patient journey. The students found this to be an extremely valuable experience which would hugely impact their clinical practice.

There is clearly a benefit to having time to hear from a patient, in a non-clinical setting, their perspective on the impact of periodontitis, treatment and the challenges they face and the BSP intends to continue developing patient partnerships.

The Patient Forum also had a successful meeting in London **in March** and were joined by Mr Derek Stewart OBE, internationally recognised for his work as a patient advocate regarding throat cancer but also much wider across healthcare. This meeting was a great way to help the volunteers develop their skills and confidence in advocacy for gum health.

Unfortunately, the Patient Forum meeting planned in Glasgow at the end of March 2020 was postponed due to Covid-19.



In May, the BSP worked hard to review the EFP's Evidenced-based Treatment Guidelines. Led by Professor Nicola West and Professor Moritz Kebschull, the BSP held online working group meetings, comprised of 75 dental professionals, medical experts, stakeholders and BSP Patient Forum members, to rapidly review the European guidelines, reviewing and adapting them for the UK healthcare system.

The BSP paper was published in the Journal of Dentistry in January 2021, with free access to all, and communicated in a very transparent way the evidence behind all the treatment interventions that we do in dealing with a case of periodontitis (gum disease). This is an important document, as the recommendations provide evidence-based support for specialists, dentists, dental hygienists and dental therapists.

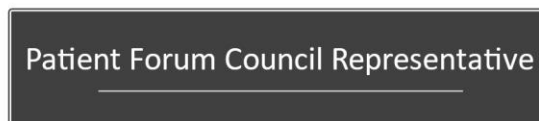
To help the dental community implement the guidelines in UK practice, the BSP has put considerable effort into creating a wide range of educational resources, including a series of four, free educational webinars and flowchart resources to

support professionals and patients. A website page has been dedicated to the topic, providing information, educational videos and resources.

I would like to express my appreciation to all of the workshop participants for their tremendous support, time, dedication and valuable contributions, which helped make this BSP project a huge success.

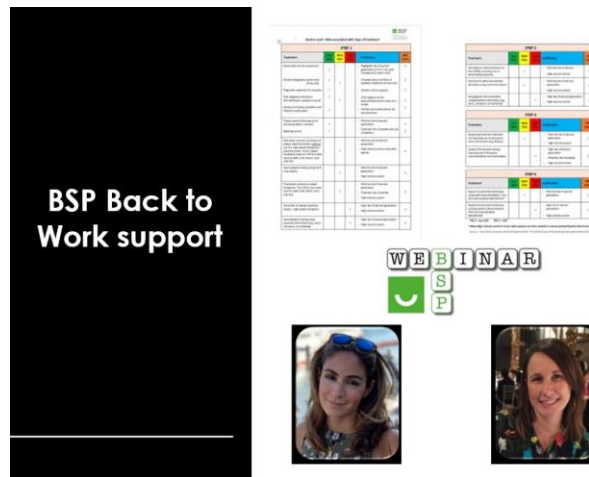


Last year, in June, we held our first online Annual General Meeting. This proved a successful way to be more inclusive and reach more of our members. The membership unanimously voted in favour of changing the Constitution to include a representative from the BSP Patient Forum on Council. It was recognised that such an appointment would give a voice to the patient community and greatly help the Society by informing and influencing our activity, policy and strategy. **Later in the year**, Council was delighted to appoint Julian Ekiert to this role.



Even in this short time, Julian has already made valuable contributions to our discussions. Patient representation is vitally important as all our clinical, educational and research activities are focused on the well-being of patients.

As a Society, we are privileged to have so many patient volunteers who give their time freely to help us share our important message about the importance of gum health and I wish to extend my thanks to the group.



In June, we organised a series of four free webinars entitled, **“BSP Back to Work Hand Instrumentation Masterclass.”** We wanted to provide a refresher course to help practitioners adapt to the new Covid-19 dental regulations and so made the webinars free of charge to the wider dental community. The series attracted registrations from over 11,380 dental care professionals and we were delighted to receive overwhelmingly positive feedback regarding the helpfulness of the series.

New BSP Website



In August, we were excited to launch our new website. The Society is grateful to Paula and Tamsin for working closely with our new web provider, Optima, to create a more modern website to support our ever-developing educational programme and membership needs.

The website is an extremely important part of our work and holds our membership database, management functionality, conference registrations, course feedback and CPD certificates and is fully GDPR compliant. In addition, the site also contains case reports, a jobs section, publications and clinical information on periodontal disease and implants for both patients, the public and dental professionals.

We were pleased to report that the launch transition went very smoothly, and I am sure you will agree that the contemporary look and improved member functionality of the new website is fantastic.

European Federation of Periodontology



The Society has continued to foster close relations with the European Federation of Periodontology, with many of Council involved in various committees.

We look forward to meeting with our European colleagues at EuroPerio10 in Copenhagen. I am pleased to report that the date is now set for June 15 - 18, 2022. EuroPerio10 will take place at the Bella Centre in Copenhagen, with a programme drawn up by a team led by congress chair Phoebus Madianos, scientific chair David Herrera, and treasurer Nicola West. More information about this wonderful congress can be found on the EFP website.

In addition, we continue to enjoy good working relationships with many other dental agencies, including Public Health England, the Department of Health, NHS England, the Office of the Chief Dental Officer and the British Society of Restorative Dentistry. We have worked with these agencies in an advisory capacity and the voice of the BSP is being heard at the highest level! Again, this demonstrates the commitment the Society and its members have to engaging with all stakeholders as part of its Strategic Plan. I would like to thank all those members of Council who have given their time and expertise to support these important links.

BSP Educational Programme



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15 January	Webinar	Non-surgical periodontal therapy in 2020	Prof Luigi Nibali
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27 February	Webinar	New perspectives in soft tissue grafting around implants. Looking for health and beauty	Dr Antonio Linares
25 March	Webinar	An overview on diagnosis and management of furcation defects	Dr Nikolaos Tatarakis
27 April	Webinar	Use of local and systemic antimicrobials in periodontal disease, by Students, for Students	Ms Jessica Baxter Brown & Ms Hira Jamil
19 May	Webinar	Supportive therapy for prevention of periimplant diseases. Frequency and principles	Dr Ian Dunn
3 June	Webinar	Crown lengthening and principles	Dr Domniki Chatzopoulou & Dr Nikos Mardas
16 June	Webinar	BSP Back to Work Hand Instrumentation Masterclass 1	Miss Sarah Balian & Mrs Donna Mane Covey
18 June	Webinar	BSP Back to Work Hand Instrumentation Masterclass 2	Miss Sarah Balian & Mrs Donna Mane Covey
23 June	Webinar	BSP Back to Work Hand Instrumentation Masterclass 3	Miss Sarah Balian & Mrs Donna Mane Covey
25 June	Webinar	BSP Back to Work Hand Instrumentation Masterclass 4	Miss Sarah Balian & Mrs Donna Mane Covey
2 July	Webinar	The aetiology, diagnosis and treatment of the perio-endo lesion, by Students, for Students	Mr George Cooney, Ms Jagjit Malhi & Mr Oliver Ryder
23 November	Webinar	Treatment concepts for the management of periimplant diseases	Prof Frank Schwarz
8 December	Webinar	The Sir Wilfred Fish Research Prize Presentations	Dr Rajatshree Amugam, Ms Cher Famugia & Mr Patrick Fee
14 December	Webinar	Single tooth replacement: Decision making in potentially problematic sit	Prof Moshe Goldstein

The Society continues to be extremely active in delivering education. In 2020 we ran a very successful ECG Mucogingival Surgery Masterclass and 14 educational webinars on a variety of topics. I would like to thank our Education & Events Manager, Tamsin Lawson, for the fantastic job she does in organising these events and for the extra work she had last year in reorganising events, due to the pandemic.

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ECG Committee 2019-2020



Our Early Career Group continues to develop and offer support for new members of the profession interested in periodontology. The website now provides more detailed information on Career Pathways and Specialty Training. In addition to organising an annual Masterclass course and Conference lecture, the ECG have worked incredibly hard replying to member enquiries and working on BSP initiatives, including a new series of patient information leaflets. My thanks go to ECG Chair, Dr Vipul Patel, and his fellow Committee members, Mitul Shah (Secretary), Anjana Sagar (Mono-speciality Rep), Zehra Yonel (Academic Rep), Philippa Hoyle (Social Media Officer), Michael Paterson (NHS Rep) and Jenny Walker (Hygiene Therapy Rep) for their service to the Society.

Membership Figures (December 2020)



	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Honorary	11	11	13	14	18	19	13
Emeritus	1	1	2	2	3	3	3
Full Members UK	682	594	674	768	784	805	766
Full Members DH/DT	170	167	181	218	257	307	314
Postgraduate/SIR	66	74	97	72	80	67	91
First 2 Years	40	55	45	20	24	6	5
Undergraduates	11	11	26	74	115	338	305
Associates Overseas / Retired	26	25	24	31	11	11	34
TOTAL	1007	987	1061	1199	1292	1555	1530

We have seen a growth in our membership figures, which peaked at 1555 in December 2019. The magic number is now 1500 - and we work extremely hard to stay over that figure.

There has been a small drop in our membership figures, however, 2020 was an exceptional year and, overall, we have come out of the pandemic extremely well as far as membership is concerned.

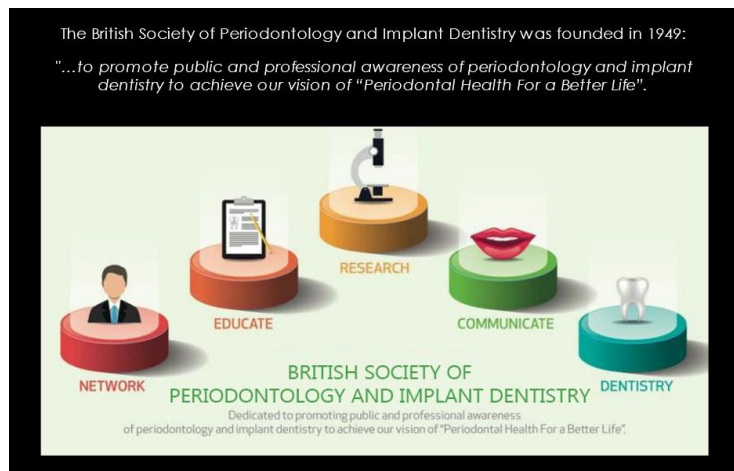
We care passionately about retaining our members. As a Society, we recognise that good, effective communication is key and essential for us to achieve and maintain strong, lasting working relationships at all levels of the organisation. It is, also, an integral part of membership growth and collaboration with other health professionals. The BSP is committed to developing our communication channels and we work extremely hard to serve our members and provide the latest updates in the world of perio.

You will always hear our news first on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, followed closely by our website news page and then via our e-newsletter, which we send out to members every month. The Periodical is an annual summary of the year's main events and Society activities. We put a lot of effort into this mix of communications in the hope of always keeping our members, the wider dental community and patients up to date.

Prizes Awarded in 2020

PRIZE	Award
<p><u>Sir Wilfred Fish Prize</u></p> <p>Cher Farrugia</p> <p><i>"Role of Fusobacterium nucleatum and Multispecies Interactions in Endothelial Damage"</i></p>	£1000
<p><u>Clinical Fellowship award</u></p> <p>Imogen Midwood</p> <p>Alex Pollard</p> <p>Anjana Sagar</p>	Up to £4,000 per award
<p><u>Systematic Review Prize</u></p> <p><u>Niamh Kelly</u></p> <p><i>"Periodontal health and the frequency of COPD exacerbations: a systematic review and meta-analysis"</i></p>	
<p><u>Poster Prize</u></p> <p>Clinical:</p> <p>Dr Mitul Shah</p> <p>Research:</p> <p>Dr Mary Naa Barkor Ayettey-Adamafio</p>	£500 each
<p><u>Audit award</u></p> <p>Ahmed Elmatary & Matin Ali Madadian</p> <p>Shaun Hodge</p> <p>Varkha Rattu</p>	£500
<p><u>Frank Ashley Undergraduate Prize</u></p> <p>Sumaiya Yonis</p>	£500
<p><u>Research grant (in conjunction with RCEngland)</u></p> <p>Not awarded in 2020</p>	Up to £5,000 per award

I would like to thank all applicants for their support and contribution to the Society and, in particular, the individuals nominated for the awards. Entry criteria and deadlines for all prizes are available on the BSP website.



During 2020, we held 4 Council meetings – 1 in person and 3 online. We also held several online meetings to discuss our long-term strategic aims, to safeguard the sustainability of the Society. Council regularly meets to reflect and evaluate our achievements and identify key objectives for the following 12 months. These objectives reflect elements of our strategic aims and keep the BSP focused on delivering the best service to our members, the wider dental community, the public and patients.

It is vitally important that we continue to build on what the Society has achieved over the last 70 years. We are always striving to meet the needs of our membership and to stay at the forefront of research and education in the area of periodontology and dental implantology. We are continually exploring how we can develop, grow, be a sustainable charity and set ourselves challenging targets over the coming years.



As a charity, we rely heavily on funding from organisations to enable us to succeed in our aim to advance all aspects of periodontology and implant dentistry and promote the importance of gum health to dental and medical professionals, undergraduate students, patients and the public.

Without the support of our 2020 Partner Sponsors, we would not have been able to fully support our members and the wider dental profession in the many successful initiatives we have undertaken this year.

In recognition of their financial support to help us achieve our strategic aims we allow our Partner Sponsors logos to be added to our website and newsletters. In addition, if they sponsor educational webinars or provide support for initiatives of public benefit, we may also add their company logos to educational resources to acknowledge their contribution. At all times, BSP Council follow health care compliance regulations.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to our 2020 Partner Sponsors: Acteon, GSK, Johnson & Johnson and Oral-B. The BSP is extremely grateful for their support, and we are delighted to be working with them again this year and continuing our successful working relationship, together with our new Partner Sponsor, Dürr Dental.



I would like to thank Tamsin for all of her input in 2020. Tamsin is always enthusiastic, flexible and I am sure you all agree, runs a great Education and Events Group. The pandemic has caused considerable challenges for Tamsin in her role and has meant she has had to juggle activities and face a huge degree of uncertainty, especially with Conference planning. Nevertheless, our Education and Events are growing and continue to be hugely successful. Tamsin, I would like to thank you, both on behalf of Council and myself.



Paula is the Executive General manager and hub of the BSP. She works incredibly hard, and at all hours to keep everything and everyone on track.

I didn't realise until I started in this role just how essential Paula is to BSP and I truly appreciate her willingness and initiative to resolve problems or ensure outstanding matters are dealt with. This has been a huge amount of work in the last year with Covid related issues that affected so many of our members alongside the new Treatment Guidelines, as well as all the normal society issues.

Paula I would like to thank you on behalf of the BSP. I'm sure we are all frustrating to work with at times, but we would all be lost without you!

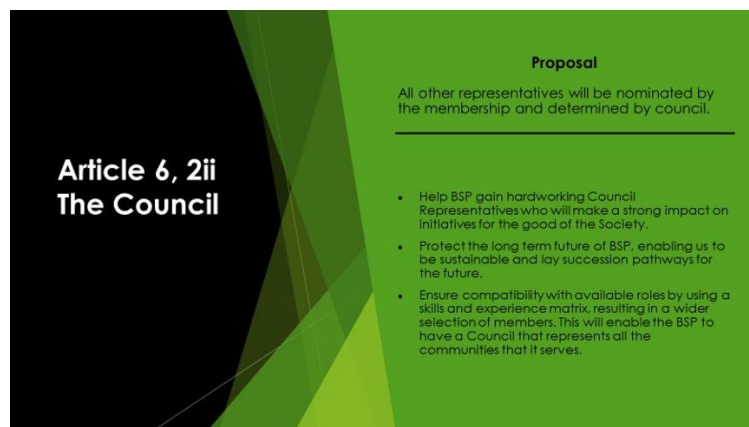
Finally, I would like to thank the whole of Council, on behalf of Nicola and myself, for their support this year and indeed the support of the whole membership. This brings me to the end of my report.

Dr William McLoughlin proposed, and Dr Trevor Watts Ghuman seconded the adoption of Professor Turner's report.



As detailed on your agenda for this evening's meeting, I would now like to deal with BSP Council's **Proposed Constitutional Changes**.

As I explained in my invitation, we have carefully considered these proposed changes and how they will help us to achieve elements of our strategic aims and keep the BSP focused on delivering the best service to our members, the wider dental community, the public and patients. It is essential that the BSP remains a strong Society and maintains momentum as we move forward and tackle the many challenges and opportunities ahead. We believe that these changes will sustain the future of the Society and we very much hope that you will support our plans.



Our first proposal is to make a change to Article 6 of the Constitution.

Whilst senior Officer roles are appointed by Council, Article 6, Clause 2ii of the Constitution states that Council representatives will be nominated by membership vote. We have reflected on this process and have identified that there are many key individuals who work incredibly hard for the BSP behind the scenes who could make excellent contributions to Council. They dedicate considerable time and effort to BSP projects but, in some cases, have received insufficient member votes to gain a position on Council.

We need Council representatives who will work hard and get involved with initiatives for the good of the Society. In addition, to protect the long-term future of the BSP, we need to make wise appointments to these roles so that the Society can be both sustainable, and support continuity of delivering the BSP strategic aims.

We therefore wish to change the wording of this clause to allow Council to review nominations from the membership, and vote on the appointments to Council when roles become available. BSP Council will continue to invite members to nominate themselves for future roles and we intend to use a skills and experience matrix to ensure compatibility with the roles, whilst ensuring the process is fair and transparent.

In addition, it is anticipated that removing the process of nominations being subject to a membership vote, will hopefully encourage more people to apply, and result in a wider selection of applicants from all parts of the UK. This would enable the BSP to have a Council that represents all the communities that it serves.

I therefore propose, and Professor Ide seconds on behalf of Council, the amendment to Article 6.2ii of the Constitution, to change the wording as below:
All other representatives will be nominated by the membership and determined by council.

An online ballot was taken by the membership and there was a unanimous vote in favour of the proposal.



Secondly, we are always striving to meet the needs of our membership and to stay at the forefront of research and education. We are continually exploring how we can develop, grow and set ourselves challenging targets to achieve over the coming years. In line with this, we believe that the names of the Teachers' and Practitioners' Sections need updating to reflect the work we now do.

It is proposed that the two Section roles, detailed in Article 6, Clause 1 of the Constitution, be disregarded, and a new group be established called, “The Education Advisory Committee”.

The Education Advisory Committee would be a team led by a Practitioner and an Academic. This group would be given specific tasks to work on, including:

- Liaising with the dental school perio leads
- Exploring member CPD needs
- Driving education and being instrumental in organising the Educational Webinar Programme/Masterclass Courses with the President/Education & Events Manager
- Supervising the Undergraduate and Early Career Groups
- Educating patients

I therefore propose, and Professor Ide seconds on behalf of Council, the amendment to Article 6.1 of the Constitution, to change the wording as below:

The authority of the Society will be vested in a Council consisting of the Officers of the Society, an academic Chair and a practitioner Chair leading the Education Advisory Committee, the Chair of the Early Career Group, two Other Members and a Representation from the BSP Patient Forum.

An online ballot was taken by the membership and there was a unanimous vote in favour of the proposal.



Lastly, whilst reviewing the Constitution, we would like to amend the wording throughout the Constitution to reflect a non-gender specific title for the word “Chairman”.

I therefore propose, and Professor Ide seconds on behalf of Council, to change the wording in the Constitution from “Chairman” to “Chair”.

An online ballot was taken by the membership and there was a unanimous vote in favour of the proposal.

Thank you for supporting us with our plans. We are very excited to see how much we can achieve together over the next twelve months.

4. Report of the Honorary Treasurer



Professor Mike Milward reported as follows, on behalf of Dr Aradhna Tugnait:

(a) Presentation of Accounts

BRITISH SOCIETY OF PERIODONTOLOGY AND
IMPLANT DENTISTRY AGM
Online, June 2021



BSP ACCOUNTS

(1st January -31st December 2020)

Treasurer: Dr Aradhna Tugnait

Executive General Manager: Mrs Paula Dunn

Education & Events Manager : Mrs Tamsin Lawson

Accountant: Alison Whalley, Naylor Wintersgill Ltd

INTRODUCTION:

1. THANKS

2. SUMMARY OF BSP ACCOUNTS FOR 2020

(prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities Act 2011)

3. PROPOSALS FOR 2022

INCOME	2019	2020
Subscriptions	184,360	193,723
Partnership Agreements (from partners to deliver strategic plan)	65,000	40,000
Conferences	145,856	-----
Investments	1,520	3,599
Donations & legacies	57,771	1,000
Educational courses & webinars	51,501	9,720
Leaflet Sales	2,070	970
TOTAL	508,078	249,012

INCREASED INCOME FROM SUBSCRIPTIONS = £9,363

INCREASED INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS = £2,079

DECREASED SPONSORSHIP = £25,000

DECREASE IN CONFERENCE AND EVENTS
INCOME DUE TO COVID-19= £187,637

• DECREASE IN DONATIONS HOWEVER 2019
INCLUDED EP9 share = £54,871

DECREASED TOTAL INCOME of £259,066

EXPENDITURE	2019	2020
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES e.g. journal , conference costs, awards & prizes, PR & Media, Educational courses & webinars et	261,799	99,735
SUPPORT & GOVERNANCE COSTS e.g. insurances, business management, council expenses, website development etc.	142,329	125,320
TOTAL	404,128	225,055

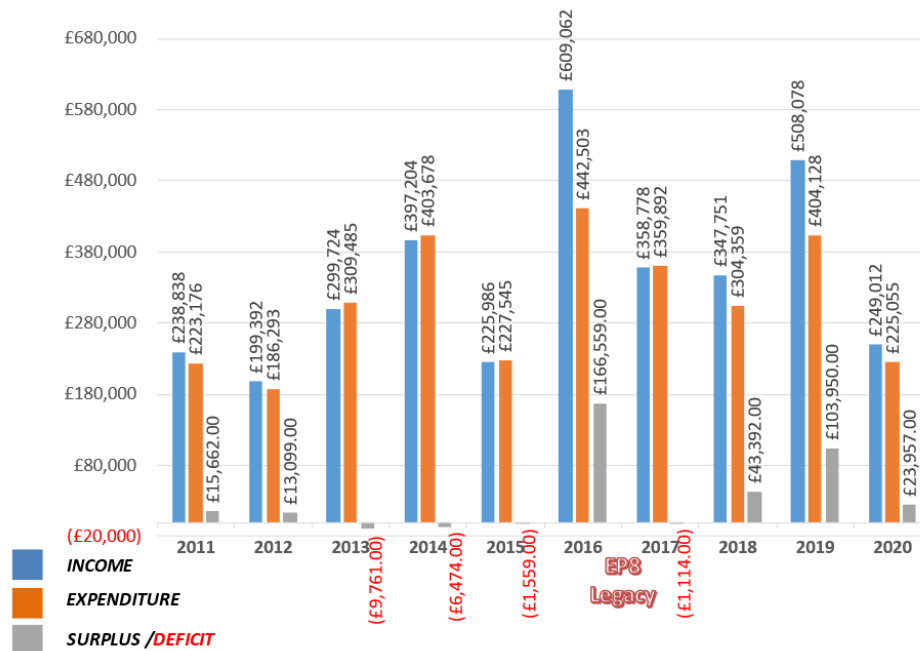
CHARITABLE ACTIVITY EXPENDITURE DECREASED BY = £162,064

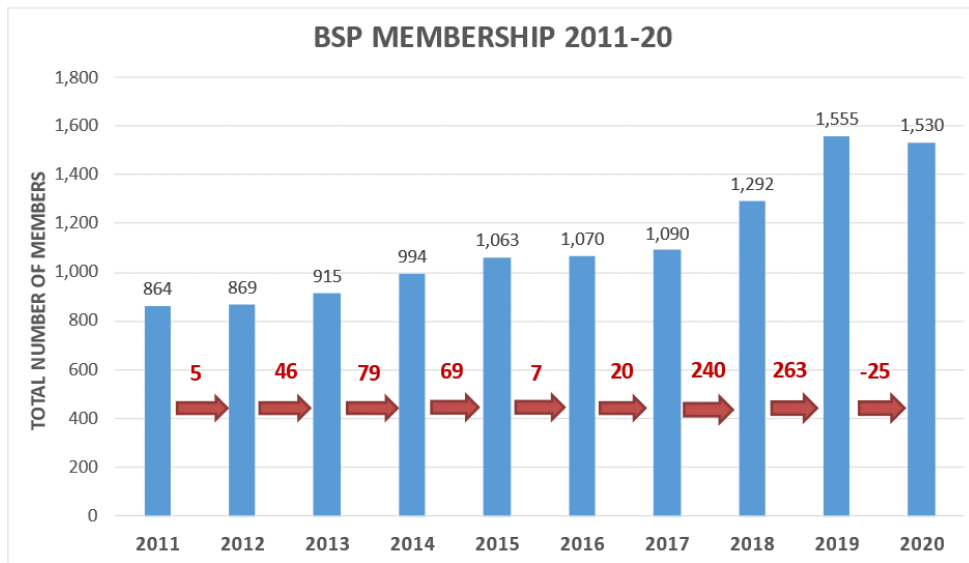
SUPPORT & GOVERNANCE COSTS DECREASED BY = £17,009

THIS DECREASE IS DUE TO CONFERENCE AND EVENTS NOT TAKING PLACE DUE TO COVID-19

DECREASE in total EXPENDITURE of £179,073

BSP ACCOUNTS 2011-2020





BSP Accounts 1st January – 31st December 2020

SUMMARY:

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
INCOME	£609,062	£358,778	£347,751	£508,078	£249,012
EXPENDITURE	£442,503	£359,892	£304,359	£404,128	£225,055
NET (SURPLUS/DEFICIT)	£166,559	£1,114	£43,392	£103,950	£23,957

IN 2020 THE SOCIETY MADE A SURPLUS OF £23,957

SUMMARY:

- There have been **two significant financial challenges during this year (2020)**
 - 1) **COVID-19 Pandemic**
 - 2) **Launching a new website platform**
- **BSP continues to attract new members** and continues to deliver **high levels of educational activity via its Annual Conference & Webinar based initiatives**
- We have generated a pleasing **annual surplus of £23,957**
- **Our current financial situation fits well with our core principles** to deliver education and our status as a charity
- We need to continue to ensure that we **attract the financial support of our partners** as well as engaging with new partners
- **2021 is obviously a challenging year** **BSP is working hard to support its members** and I would **encourage members to support BSP and our rescheduled conference in November**
- **Overall our society remains in good financial shape**

PROPOSALS:

1. That for 2022 we **freeze subscriptions** at 2021 levels, this will continue to be reviewed in future years
2. To **retain the services of our accountant Alison Whalley** at Naylor Wintersgill Ltd
3. That our Executive General Manager, Paula Dunn, continues to **meet our accountant on a quarterly basis** to be able provide the Trustees with a better “in year” assessment of the Society’s financial situation

The membership voted unanimously in favour of adopting Professor's Milward's proposals.

Professor Giles McCracken proposed, and Professor Iain Chapple seconded the adoption of Professor Milward's report.

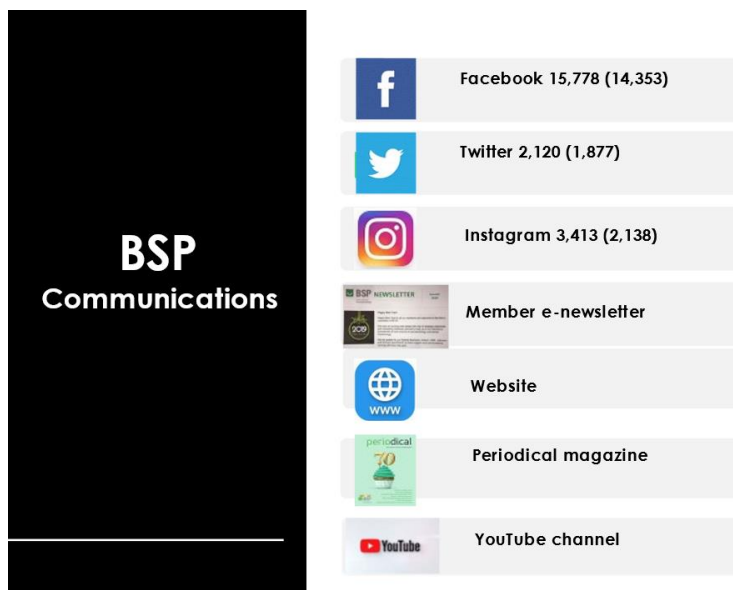
5. Report of the Honorary Editor



Professor Mark Ide shared a report, on behalf of Dr Richard Tucker, as follows:

As Honorary Editor, I oversee the Society communications. A huge amount of effort goes into our communications, as we aim to always keep our members, the wider dental community and patients up to date with the latest news and developments. 2020 was an incredibly difficult year for everyone. Despite being a challenging time, I am extremely proud of how hard the Society worked during the lockdown periods to keep members updated. The BSP Team closely monitored the changing situation and immediately sent members the latest updates and guidance from the Office of the Chief Dental Officer and Public Health England, whilst also refreshing our website News page and social media channels.

Our communication channels form an integral part of our membership growth and collaboration with other health professionals. In addition, having good and effective communication enables us to achieve and maintain strong, sustainable working relationships at all levels of the BSP.



Over the last twelve months, we have seen a significant growth in the number of followers on our social media channels. If you don't already follow BSP, I would encourage you to do so!

Improved communication



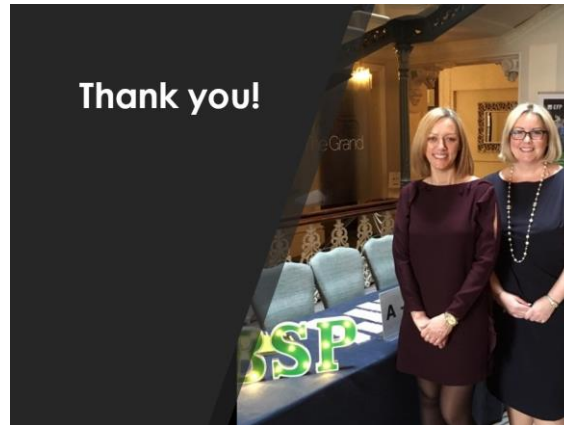
I was delighted with the launch of our new website in August 2020. Paula and Tamsin worked closely with our new web provider, Optima, to create a more modern website to support our ever-developing educational programme and membership needs. In addition to the improved member functionality and modern interface, I am sure you will agree with me that the format of our email and newsletter communications has greatly improved.

In August, we embarked on the annual Periodical magazine. I initially feared that we would struggle to find content, as so many events had been postponed due to the pandemic. However, once I reflected on the ongoing work carried out by Council, I was struck by how much the Society had continued to achieve during lockdown. In some ways, perhaps, the period of lockdown enabled the BSP to make significant progress in raising awareness of the importance of gum health to the public, patients, dental and medical professionals.

We invited members to contribute articles to the publication and had a superb response. In particular, my favourite article included the personal accounts of fellow colleagues who worked tirelessly to help others and played a vital role in helping to ease the pressure on NHS staff during lockdown.

Despite the challenges we have faced in 2020, the BSP continued to work tirelessly and achieved a considerable number of strategic aims. This was certainly reflected in the magazine which we ended up extending to 24 pages!

As I now come to the end of my term, it has been an honour to serve as Honorary Editor of the BSP. I wish every success to the new Editor, and I look forward to seeing the Society communications continue to develop under their leadership.



Finally, I would like to say a big thank you to Paula Dunn and Tamsin Lawson, whose tireless efforts have helped to improve all the communications from the BSP to another level!

As a team, we shall continue to aspire to bring you the best of the BSP!

Professor Francis Hughes proposed, and Dr Paul Baker seconded the adoption of Dr Tucker's report.

6. Report of the Chairman of the Teachers' Section

Professor Turner advised that due to the postponement of activities last year there is no report to for the Teachers' Section for 2020.

7. Report of the Chairman of the Practitioners' Section



Dr Ian Dunn shared a report, on behalf of Dr Nick Claydon, as follows:

2020 – An unforgettable year!

A promising start to the year saw the Practitioners Section of the BSP fully engaged with all the plans for the year ahead – Council meetings, document reviews for the Society and a stellar Conference planned for the autumn by Professor Nikos Donos.

Dr Shaun Hodge



'The BSP
Implementation of the
2017 World Workshop
Classification of
Periodontal Diseases:
Lessons Learned One
Year On'

As well as supporting the Conference theme, the Practitioners section had arranged for Dr Shaun Hodge to present his findings for the BSP implementation of the 2017 world classification in Periodontology in general dental practice. The interruption to the year will now see Shaun present his talk to the Practitioners Section at Prof Donos' Conference planned for 12th November 2021 at the Royal College of Physicians, London. Save the date!

The arrival of the global pandemic put a complete stop to most clinical care and any face-to-face BSP business activities. However, once we had recovered from the dismay of being closed down, the Practitioners section adapted to increased online activity and used the time productively to catch up on the development projects allocated by BSP Council.

**BSP
Publications
& Resources**



The Practitioners Section took an active role in conjunction with the Early Careers group (ECG) in the development of a series of official BSP leaflets including 'Periodontal health for a better life', 'Top tips for healthier gums', 'Managing sensitive teeth', 'Gum surgery', 'Receding gums and gaps', and 'Looking after your implants'. Some of these information leaflets are now available as infographics on the BSP website and in printed format for BSP members.

A major role was played by the section in the review and modernisation of the BSP documentation for 'Parameters of Care and Referral Guidelines' which resulted in clarification and two separate documents "Parameters of Care' and 'BSP Guidelines for Patient Referral' being published on the BSP website. To reflect the inclusion of implants in the Society title, we are looking to develop a 'Parameters of Care' and

'Guidelines for referral' for Implantology. A further major review of the 'BPE' is also underway, as we look to map it closely to the proceedings of the world workshop in 2017.

The Practitioners Section made a significant contribution in the adoption of 'Treatment of stage I-III Periodontitis' in the preliminary, plenary and publication stages of the guidelines. These guidelines are a substantial body of work representing the most contemporary consensus review of the most eminent specialists in the field of Periodontology. The BSP was instrumental in shaping the guidelines to benefit dental healthcare professionals as well as patients in the UK, a process emulated by two other EFP National Societies in Germany and Spain. A further and unique development of the guidelines was the development of a simplified algorithm in the form of a treatment flowchart for the guidance of healthcare practitioners, together with a lay version to further the understanding of Periodontics by the general public.

BSP SAC Representative



One of my roles as Chair of the Practitioners Section is to represent the BSP at the Specialist Advisory Committee (SAC) for the Royal College of England. I attend 4 formal meetings per year as well as informal working group meetings. For 2020, I have been reviewing the curriculum for specialist training in Periodontology, as well as reviewing applications to the specialist list. One of our aims is to develop the process for specialist training in Periodontology so that it becomes more transparent and inclusive.



A final note to remind you that the BSP is your Society and the Practitioners' division is not only the largest members section but provides a healthy contribution to the direction and development of Periodontal care in the UK. I represent Practitioners and am happy to bring news, as well as concerns and issues to the attention of Council. I can be contacted via the website and am happy to support and be a

point of contact for healthcare professionals for any matters you wish to be considered within the BSP.

The Practitioners' section of the BSP extends condolences to any healthcare practitioners or their families that were affected by the events of last year and we hope that 2021 allows us to turn a corner.

Many thanks as ever to the supporting committee of Dr Joon Seong, Dr Ian Dunn and Dr Sinéad Daley and especially to the BSP Executive General Manager, Paula Dunn, and Education & Events Manager Organiser, Tamsin Lawson.

Dr Viren Vithlani proposed, and Dr Alex Pollard seconded the adoption of Dr Claydon's report.

8. Report of the Early Career Group



Professor Mark Ide shared a report, on behalf of Dr Vipul Patel, as follows:

I was delighted to be appointed Chair of the Early Career Group (ECG) for 2020... a year which is clearly going to be a memorable one for us all!



Normally, it's all change in the ECG ranks but not in 2020...it was decided that 12 months was not enough time for Committee Members to make an appreciable impact on their roles, so we extended their terms to 24 months. Thankfully, there

wasn't mutiny in the 'ECG ship' and I was, therefore, fortunate to be working with an established, experienced and enthusiastic team. I offer my sincere gratitude to Mitul Shah (Secretary), Anjana Sagar (Mono-speciality Rep), Zehra Yonel (Academic Rep), Philippa Hoyle (Social Media Officer), Michael Paterson (NHS Rep) and Jenny Walker (Hygiene/Therapy Rep) for their support.



The year got off to an amazing start with our over-subscribed Mucogingival Surgery Masterclass in January 2020. This was presented by Dr Paul Baker and Dr Ian Dunn in Manchester. The hands-on Masterclass was supported by two dedicated pre-course webinars, allowing the speakers to maximise the hands-on element on the day. The course covered various mucogingival techniques including Free Gingival Grafts (FGG) and root coverage procedures. The event was a huge success with both presenters remarking on the fantastic group of delegates. They also extended their personal thanks to Dr Bobby Varghese and Dr Mitul Shah for their excellent assistance on the day during the hands-on surgical tasks.

In April, we made the decision to merge our ECG social media accounts with the BSP accounts. We felt that this would create a larger audience with a broader experience and background in Periodontology, thereby, allowing ECG and BSP members to get more from our posts. Phillipa Hoyle now works closely with our Executive General Manager, Paula Dunn, to increase our social media presence and ensure we continue to meet all your Periodontology needs!

The BSP remains passionate about furthering the skills of all clinicians, so that patients have access to high quality dentistry and periodontal care. The ECG supports dental care professionals of all levels who are seeking to further their skills and careers, regularly replying to member enquiries. In line with changing demographics and patient needs, there is a need to develop a skilled workforce who can manage periodontal conditions throughout the UK. With this aim in mind, we have collated information about courses, training pathways and the accreditation of performers of level 2 complexity treatments, formerly known as 'dentists with a special interest' and added them to our new website. This helpful advice document can be found on the "*Career Pathways and Specialty Training*" page: <https://www.bsperio.org.uk/early-career-group/career-pathways-and-speciality-training>

COVID-19 has sadly transformed the landscape at a global level with significant impacts at professional and personal levels. As we become accustomed to new

acronyms like 'aerosol generating procedures' (AGP), reinvigorate less used ones like 'filtering facepiece' (FFP), and rewrite our standard operating procedures (SOP) with 'fallow times', I am confident in our resilience and tenacity to return to 'normality'. It will, of course, be a 'new' normal but I hope one which has made us all a little stronger, a little wiser and a little humbler.

I am well aware of the impact of COVID-19 on our trainees at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. I too have been impacted, however, things will improve, opportunities will be created, and your teachers and supervisors will be there to support and guide you.

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, we are unable to go ahead with our plans to run an ECG Masterclass course in January 2021. However, as soon as the world is a safer place, we shall be organising our 2021 event. In the meantime, you may wish to review our previous successful courses on the website:

<https://www.bsperio.org.uk/early-career-group/about-early-career-group>

We are very much looking forward to the ECG event at next year's BSP Conference. I will be chairing an inspirational Q&A talk with former EFP President, Professor Filippo Graziani, which I hope will give the audience some food-for-thought. As always, there will be a social event organised for the Early Career Group on the evening of Friday 12th November, venue TBC. This should provide a great opportunity to network in a relaxed environment and get to know the Committee and fellow members. I look forward to seeing you all there... Face-to-Face, not on Teams!

Dr Viren Vithlani proposed and Dr Rajan Nansi seconded Dr Patel's report.

9. Election of Officers 2021

As no other nominations have been received, the following are proposed by Professor Mark Ide and seconded by myself on behalf of the Council:



President 2022 - Dr Rajan Nansi

As explained in my invitation to tonight's AGM, due to Covid-19, our Annual Conferences are now out of sync with the Presidential year. The Conference which

Dr Nik Pandya wished to hold at Luton Hoo will now be held on the 13–15th October 2022.

It was recognised that we needed a President for 2022, who could capture the ethos of Nik Pandya's wishes. It was Nik's desire in his outline plan for his Conference to have a programme that was inclusive for the whole dental team. We therefore invited Dr Rajan Nansi to stand as President in 2022. As many of you will be aware, Rajan was the first Chair of the Early Career Group and, like Nik, has a passion for supporting practitioners. We are delighted to report that Rajan is honoured to accept the Presidential role and will be working closely with senior members of Council next year.

Election of the Officers for 2022



President 2022
Dr Rajan Nansi



Senior Vice-President
Prof Francis Hughes



Past President
Prof Mark Ide



President Elect 2023
Prof Mike Milward



President Elect 2024
Prof Nicola West



Honorary Secretary
Prof Wendy Turner



Honorary Treasurer
Dr Ian Dunn



Honorary Editor
Dr Alex Pollard



**Commercial Liaison
Officer**
Dr Viren Vithlani

President 2022 – Dr Rajan Nansi

Senior Vice President - Professor Francis Hughes

Vice-President (Immediate-Past President) - Professor Mark Ide

Vice-President (President-Elect 2023) - Professor Mike Milward

Vice-President (President Elect 2024) – Professor Nicola West

Honorary Secretary - Professor Wendy Turner

Honorary Treasurer - Dr Ian Dunn

Honorary Editor - Dr Alex Pollard

Commercial Liaison Officer - Dr Viren Vithlani

Dr Paul Baker proposed, and Dr Philip Greene seconded the Election of Officers for 2021.

Other Council Representatives



Patient Forum Rep
Julian Ekiert



Scientific Advisor
Prof Iain Chapple



SAC Rep
Dr Nick Claydon



SAC Rep
Prof Giles McCracken



Other Member
Dr Claire Storey



**Other Member/
EFP Rep**
Prof Francesco D'Aluto



Past President
Prof Nikos Donos



ECG Chair
Dr Mitul Shah

For your information, there are several other representatives on BSP Council, who I wish to thank for their service to the Society. So, as you can see the work of the BSP is really down to an incredible whole team effort.

10. Election of Other Member of Council

Election of Other Members of Council



Dr Shazad Saleem
Chair of the
Practitioners' Section



Professor Moritz Kebschull
Chair of the Teachers'
Section

The Chairs of the Teacher's and Practitioners' Section have reached the end of their term and we wish to appoint their replacements this evening.

As discussed earlier, the Membership has agreed to rename the Teachers' and Practitioners' Section to **The Education Advisory Committee** and so naturally the appointed people will jointly Chair this new Committee.

For such positions, we wish to appoint -
Dr Shazad Saleem and Professor Moritz Kebschull

Both of these people have worked incredibly hard behind the scenes on several BSP projects. Moritz led the adoption of the S3 guidelines with Professor West and Shazad will be known to many of you as the author of Healthy Gums Do Matter.

They have recently been co-opted into these roles and it is clear they both have a wonderful work ethic, and I would look forward to working with them both on future projects. As the membership voted earlier to amend Article 6, Clause 2ii, then, with the support of Council, I would like to formalise their appointments this evening.

Professor Giles McCracken proposed, and Professor Iain Chapple seconded the Election of Other Members for 2021.

11. Election of the President-Elect for 2023

Professor Turner advised that we do not yet have a proposal for President-Elect for 2025 and will address this again at our AGM next year.

12. Honorary Members

Professor Turner advised there were no proposals for Honorary membership.

13. Emeritus Member

Professor Turner advised there were no proposals for Honorary membership.

14. Presentation of Prize Certificates and notification of Awards

Professor Turner was delighted to announce the Award winners for 2021:

- **2021 Research Prize – Joanna Batt**
- **2021 Clinical Fellowship Award – Anastasiya Orishko**
- **2021 Frank Ashley Undergraduate Prize – Jane Murray / Oliver Ryder**

15. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

Professor Turner advised that a vote of thanks to the immediate Past President, Prof. Nikos Donos, will be made at the Conference Dinner in November.

16. Report of the President



Professor Mark Ide reported as follows:

Good evening to all and thank you for attending this evening.



As you know I am acting this year as Shadow President as a stand in for Dr Nik Pandya, our dear colleague who we so tragically lost before he was able to commence his term. We have kept his name on our Presidential Chain and intend to continue to honour his memory in the nature and manner of our activities this year.

Having known Nik both directly and indirectly through several mutual colleagues and peers we know what he would have wished for the direction of the Society alongside how he wished to organise his presidential meeting, and we hope to carry this latter aspect through in the ongoing planning of our proposed 2022 meeting, likely to be held at his preferred venue, with Dr Rajan Nansi.

Members



We are only too aware of what a challenging year this has been for all our members in so many ways, and we are grateful to you all for continuing to show your faith in the Society by renewing your membership subscriptions. We really do appreciate your support and hope that we are giving you good value for money through the educational webinar programme, our communications and of course the resources and other materials and links available on our website, which we are continually updating. The team do also regularly reply to clinical and other queries that are sent to the website, and we have now also set up a clinical "**Frequently Asked Questions**" page on our website entitled, "**Clinical FAQs**". In the background BSP Council members continue to work with a range of other organisations and bodies

to represent you and the interests of you, your team and your patients. Not all of this is apparent in the wider public domain, but we have been working with the GDC, the Office of the CDO England, NHS Business Services, Public Health England and the FGDP amongst others.

We continue of course to live in stranger than usual times. We were hoping to be able to have this AGM and associated Council meeting as a hybrid event, but the regulations around social distancing in our normal preferred venue made this impossible. As we seem to now be in a period of delayed return to full normality, please be assured that we will, when we can, do all we can to facilitate return to normal unrestricted clinical processes. In the meantime, we will support you all we can, and if you have any related queries, concerns or questions, or ideas for further support, please do get in touch.

Partner Sponsors



This year we are delighted to continue to be working with and supported by Acteon, GSK, Johnson & Johnson and Oral-B, but additionally are further supported by Dürr Dental. We recognise it has been very difficult for companies over the last 18 months to visit practice teams - but you can find more information about our Partner Sponsor companies and their contact details on our website, and it would be great if you can take advantage of their potential support for members.

BSP Team



All of this would be impossible without the administrative encouragement and organisational skills, and occasional bit of prodding, from Paula and Tamsin. They are a major asset to the Society and Council remains grateful for all their hard work and patience.

BSP Educational Programme



The publication of the BSP UK Practice guidelines for Periodontitis was covered by excellent speakers in a series of webinars earlier this year, supporting our initiative in taking the Evidence based EFP workshop-based guidelines and adopting, or adjusting them for UK practice. These stepwise care processes are fully explained and covered and can still be viewed by members on the website. We have also delivered a successful and well received session outlining career pathways and giving lots of useful guidance for those considering developing their knowledge, skillset and practice in periodontics in the UK. Our webinars are continuing, including our student-led sessions. There is one of these tomorrow, *"The Two-Way Relationship between Periodontal Disease and Diabetes Mellitus - How do we Assess, Treat and Manage these patients?"* presented by Raina Palit and Mowlani Uthayakumarani from the University of Sheffield. If you wish to register for this, please contact Tamsin very soon.

The major project leading to the S3 guideline production was completed, with support from GSK, by production of educational videos and flowchart resources to help you implement the guidelines in clinical practice. These should now be widely distributed across the UK but please get in touch if this has not reached you yet. These are in turn supplemented by short video clips to help to spread the message to the wider dental profession, patients and the public, and a lay version of the guidelines and flowchart for the public and patients will follow soon, which conveys the importance of gum health in a simplified, informative way. On a related note we have been asked for and agreed with several other national organisations for permission to use the recent BSP implementation of Disease Classification, promoted 2 years ago, for their own use within other countries.

Gum Health Day 2021



The current situation has meant that Gum Health Day was again restricted to an online event, but we have tried to make the best of this, supplementing EFP resources with our own patient information videos for members to share on their social media or within practices. Thank you to all those involved with these, as well as to those members who rose so well to participate in our lockdown challenge, by creating an image or short video illustrating that **“Gum diseases are preventable”** and why it is important to **“visit your dental team”**. Stories were posted on Instagram, and we received posters, images, artwork and videos to help promote this important initiative, including one from Brazil! All of these things can be found for your use on the Patient pages of our website.

We have continued to liaise and engage with our Patient Forum, and this voice has allowed us to ensure that we continue to deliver on our core aims and mission statement. I'm very grateful to everyone who has been involved with this aspect of BSP activity.

Thank You



Finally, I just wanted to add a personal message to thank Professors Nicola West and Mike Milward for all their selfless work for BSP over a significant number of years, the Society owes them a big debt of gratitude, as well to all the other members of

Council. I have every faith in their successors to carry the flame, led by our upcoming Presidents and by Professor Wendy Turner, who has taken over from Nicola as the Honorary Secretary – Wendy has already grasped this challenging role and will, I am sure, look after BSP well in forthcoming years.

I hope to see lots of you at our delayed Conference meeting, led by Professor Nikos Donos, in London later this year, which will be a great event.

Signed:

Date: