

## **WINTER 2022 NEWSLETTER**

**Dear Colleague**

**Welcome to the Winter newsletter from the Peterborough & District Group of CSPA. What a season it's been so far, with seemingly no end of bad news on inflation and energy prices. I hope you are all able to stay warm this winter and be assured that CSPA is lobbying for pensioners in these unsettling times. But on a happier note, this newsletter contains details about the first Christmas get-together we've been able to have since 2019! How great is that? I hope as many of you as possible can come along.**

**Our last members meeting was at Planet Ice to watch an Ice Hockey game. Unfortunately, it wasn't very well attended but the home team, Peterborough Phantoms, delivered the goods and won the match!**

**If you have any queries or comments or suggestions, please feel free to email or call me (Fran).**

### ***COMING UP***

**Our Winter members meeting will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at Westgate New Church, Westgate, Peterborough, PE1 1RG (behind the old church), 10.30am - 12.30pm. This will be a business meeting and Phil has invited our new Regional Rep Susan Hennah-Barham along to provide an update on what CSPA is up to. There'll be mince pies and maybe some games to play too. Friends, partners and carers are welcome. It would be very helpful if you could let me know by phone message or email if you are coming so we can make sure there's enough mince pies for everyone!**

It would be lovely to hold the raffle again too. Please bring along items to be used as prizes! This could be that lovely but unwanted gift, books in good condition, consumables etc.

There is public parking nearby at Queensgate as well as NCP car parks at Deacon Street and Lincoln Road. The bus station and train station are also nearby



*Picture by Fran Hunter of a sculpture on the Aire Valley Sculpture trail, Saltaire, Yorkshire. Close by the old HMRC Shipley building. Sculpture by Mick Kirby Geddes inspired by pupils from a local primary school.*

### ***Committee pen picture***

**Drusilla Roberts-Clark - Drusilla joined CSPA in 2008 and committee in 2018. In 2022 she took the role of supporting Carol Ann as membership secretary, with a view to taking this over in due course.**

**Having grown up in the West Indies Drusilla responded to the call for help by Britain in the 1950s and 60s and came to train as a nurse in 1965. She became a State Registered Nurse, State Certified Midwife and also qualified in Intensive and Cardiac Care and Premature Babies. Married to a soldier Drusilla worked in the maternity unit of the Army Hospital in Berlin until 1976 when, following divorce, she and her young son returned to the UK and to Peterborough.**

**Drusilla joined the Land Registry in 1980 attracted by Flexible Working hours. She worked there for 28 years first as an AO and then an EO. Since retirement Drusilla is very active attending classes in Archaeology, Science, Spanish and Social History; trips to country churches and the theatre; afternoon teas with friends and travelling abroad. She is a member of U3A, Peterborough Pensioners' Association and NHS Retirement Fellowship, as well as the CSPA.**

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

The group's AGM will be arranged in due course and notice will be given with an exact date, but it is likely to be back to its usual pre-covid timing in the early spring.

### ***Committee meeting dates***

**6 December**

You are welcome to attend as an observer or to present items – please contact me if you wish to do so.

**With all best wishes**

**Fran**

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