



## Minutes of meeting held 20th March

### 1. Bank account

Alistair has spoken to Nat west in Olney who are happy to open an account for us.

### 2. Beaver group

Nigel gave a talk to his sons beaver group who raised money for us. He spoke to the children about diabetes and thanked them for their support.

### 3. Carnival

Dawn contacted the Citizen about the Carnival on 29th June. For a fee of £10 we can walk round with buckets collecting money, we are hoping to get all the children in Diabetes UK tee-shirts and maybe get some balloons as handouts Dawn will ask Jan if she knows any reps who can donate other things to us as handouts. Perhaps we could meet the weekend before to make banners etc. There are also Carnivals in Newport Pagnell and Bletchley which we should consider joining.

### 4. Milton Keynes Hospital

Alistair spoke to Jan who says we could have a cake stall in the Hospital foyer. Also Ken has offered us a number of watering cans which have been donated, Nigel will speak to McIntyre where he works to see if they will sell them at their garden centre and maybe split the profits.

### 5. Market stall

Ken has still got the market stall if we are interested, Dean suggested finding out if we could set it up at the Dragon boat race at Willen.

### 6. Race night or promise auction

Chris' school held a race night, the kit costs approx. £180 and they made about £600. Another good way of raising money would be a promise auction, Chris has a mailing list to send out asking for donations which people then bid for.

## 7. Dickens of a Christmas

Alistair spoke to the Olney and Newport Lions who hold this event and if we put our name forward they may donate some of the money they raise to us. Alistair spoke to a lady called Sophie Merrell who used to work for a large charity organising fund-raising and she has offered to help us.

## 8. Meetings

Nigels work place have a hall which we could hire in Great Holm and invite along speakers.

Suggestions for speakers were:-

Dietician - Sarah will try to contact

Dr Latham and Jan Murray

Dr Paton, Diabetologist - Sarah can ask him if people interested

Consultant who previously gave a talk on a walk he was involved in- Alison will follow up

Reps from different drug companies

Any other ideas welcomed.

## 9. Suggestions for spending the money raised

We discussed a possible residential weekend away next spring for the children to all get together, we would need to speak to Northampton group who have organised events previously, Another idea was to hold a bar-b-q at Emberton or Willen with games etc.

## 10. Bowling

We are trying to arrange a bowling evening for the children on Wednesday 16th April at 6pm in the snow dome, we are hoping Jan will ask a drug rep to pay. If interested please contact Sarah on 218672 or Claire on 216789 by 12th April so that we have an idea of numbers, if we are not in leave a message saying how many people if you can come.

## 11. Brewsters

Next get together is on Saturday 12th April at 3pm