

Association of Personal Injury Lawyers

GROUPS

Minutes of East Anglia regional group 26 February, 2016

Quy Mill Hotel, Cambridge

Main theme(s)

- **Presentation title** Sue Peters
- **Presentation title** Jill Greenfield

Chair	Mark Copley	APIL SIG/REG Coordinator APIL SIG/REG Secretary
Speakers	Sue Peters Jill Greenfield	FieldFisher (on behalf of APIL Exec. Committee)
Attendees	Name	Firm
	Sharon Allison	<i>Ashtons Legal</i>
	Hannah Clarke	<i>Ashtons Legal</i>
	Nick Peake	<i>Ashtons Legal</i>
	Lauren Van Buren	<i>Ashtons Legal</i>
	Grace Walker	<i>Ashtons Legal</i>
	Michael Wangermann	<i>Ashtons Legal</i>
	Philip Andrews	<i>Scooters & Bikes Legal</i>
	Mark Copley	<i>Barr Ellison</i>
	Daryl Robinson	<i>Barr Ellison</i>
	Jill Greenfield	<i>FieldFisher</i>
	Sue Peters	<i>Speaker</i>
	Richard Gaffney	<i>Slater & Gordon</i>
	Angela Beric	<i>Slater & Gordon</i>
	Sarah Wealleans	<i>Irwin Mitchell</i>
	Asiya Yousaf	<i>Irwin Mitchell</i>

Preliminary

Mark Copley welcoming the delegates and talking through the fire safety information. Detailing the running order due to the snow. Cream Tea served first. Then Sue Peters will just do one longer talk, followed by the EC update.

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APIL EC update

The details of the EC updates are intentionally omitted from the ? minutes at a time of fast moving development. The APIL office can be contacted for details of all current EC activity and initiatives.

Maximising the statutory funding pot NHS Continuing Healthcare and PHBs – Sue Peters

A copy of the presentation slides are available and filed with these minutes.

Sue is an independent advocate with a host of experience in the statutory services sector. She provides families with support in applying for and maximising the amount of state-funded assistance they can get.

Sue talked through the presentation slides, focussing on those areas most applicable to the delegates. She discussed when she can assist, namely in cases where liability is disputed or there is a significant element of contributory negligence. In these cases maximising the provision from the local authority is vital for long-term support of the catastrophically injured claimant.

She went into detail about the decision making process and what those decisions mean in terms of local authority provision. What sort of evidence may be required and what options are available.

Closing remarks

The meeting went well with a good number of delegates from different firms, despite the snow. The timing worked well, meaning that we were done by 5pm so people were not kept too late.

The talk went down well and I received a number of positive comments at the end.

Mark
Copley
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