



# All-Party Parliamentary Group for Rowing

## Ordinary Meeting Minutes

1800, 11 June 2019, Committee Room 6

Meeting commenced

### In attendance

**Members:** Matthew Offord MP; Lord Addington

### Apologies

**Members:** Lord Thomas of Gresford; Lord Paddick; Lord Moynihan; Jonathan Djanogly MP; Lord Robathan;

**Honorary Members:** Alan Foster; Isobel Pollock OBE;

**Organisational Associate Members:** Peter Barker (Upton Rowing Club); Ian Henley (Broxbourne Rowing Club); Suzanne Rae (RowUK); Mark Davies (British Rowing);

**Individual Associate Members (all, no affiliation):** Ray Cassidy; Philip Foster; Sally Pettipher; Brian Curtis; Matthew Gordon; Philip Clements; Laurence Darcy

### Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous Group meeting were approved.

### Matters arising

None

### Correspondence

None

### Group activity report

#### Parliamentary

In a debate on Stem Cell Donation on 7 May, Health Minister Jackie Doyle-Price MP highlighted the work of Team Margot, who are working to increase the number of people on that stem cell register by enrolling themselves in the transatlantic rowing race.

#### Public

The Secretariat met with executive directors of British Rowing to discuss the role of the Group and strategic priorities for the sport.

Co-Chair Lord Thomas of Gresford and the Secretariat met with the Chairman and CEO of British Rowing to discuss the role of the Group and strategic priorities for the sport.

At the time of the meeting, the Group had 457 followers on Twitter. The Group's twitter name: @ParliamentRow.

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### Annual Dinner

The Group will be holding its first Annual Dinner on 27 February 2020 on the House of Lords Terrace.

Places will be made available on the Group's website on 12 June 2019, priced at £100. As places are limited, organisations associate members may take up to ten places (a table); individuals may take two places.

### AOB

Group ties and scarves remain available.

**Presentation: Helen Rowbotham, British Rowing**

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