

SCKPA Meeting Sunday 15th March 2020

Chair Report

Firstly I would mention Covid 19 – Coronavirus which is dominating the news and papers. This is, of course, a concern to most of us who have compromised immune systems. I would draw your attention to our website which is updated daily with the latest information. Also we have received a letter from Allie Thornley, from the Oxford NHS Trust and this is also going on our website.

SCKPA committee. I am very pleased to report that Mike Sinfield has offered to join us as the National Kidney Federation rep. Hopefully this will be confirmed at the NKF Away Day on the 4th April. Mike will then report into our committee but won't officially join until later in the year. Swindon branch. Following a very good meeting with Chris Lawless he has agreed to become the Swindon rep. and he will be endorsed by the committee at our next meeting on the 6th May. Bob Price has also advised that Mr V Doran may also wish to get involved with the branch so things are at last beginning to look up for Swindon.

Mike Pitcher has volunteered to become the new chairman when I step down at the AGM in September. I am very grateful to him to take on this role to ensure that the SCKPA can continue in the future.

New renal ward. Work started early in the New Year and Martin will give you the latest update later in the meeting.

For our summer lunch on Sunday 7th June our speaker will be Kirit Modi who will talk to us about transplantation and the new law of "Presumed Consent" This should be a very interesting talk and I hope that as many of you as possible will be able to attend.

Richard Van Roon

NOTE: the summer lunch has been cancelled due to the coronavirus outbreak.