



Principal Executive Committee

18 September 2018

Report to country councils and standing committees

Summary

The Principal Executive Committee (PEC) met on 18 September 2018. This report contains a summary of the issues discussed.

Strategic plan

We received an update on the Strategic plan from Martin Woodrow and Richard Shilling and are pleased that progress is being made across all the themes identified. We discussed and agreed our approach to the Association's budget for 2018/19.

We also agreed to additional staffing support for our branches and sections activities.

Honours and Awards

We were delighted to consider the annual list of recommendations from the Honours and Awards Committee and to subsequently approve all of those put forward for recognition. Their names will be released in due course but I would like to be the first to offer my congratulations to them all.

Whilst dealing with the regular PEC strategic and political matters can be a little challenging sometimes, it is a genuine pleasure to see just how many members are doing great work on behalf of the profession.

College of Dentistry

In light of a request from the Faculty of General Dental Practice we discussed the establishment of a College of Dentistry and agreed that it could well be a benefit to the profession as a whole. Indeed, we thought that the BDA should work with the existing Faculties (and possible future College) more closely to both advise and inform members over the whole range of issues they face in both their working and professional lives.

BDA Benevolent Fund

We were pleased to be informed that the proposed changes to the rules of the BDA Benevolent Fund which we referred to in our last report had been withdrawn following productive discussions. We will work with the Trustees to develop revised proposals for the 2019 Fund Annual General Meeting. We hope this will continue to enable the Benevolent Fund to support dentists in need.

Reports

We received a written report from the UK Council, as well as welcoming Hannah Woolnough in her role as Chair of the English Country Council. We also considered the reports from BDA Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales as well as oral updates from Henrik Overgaard-Nielsen (Chair of the General Dental Practice Committee) and our President, Susie Sanderson.

Mick Armstrong
Chair, Principal Executive Committee

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