

## **RCN Portsmouth Branch Meeting**

20th May 2025 Lotus Rehabilitation Centre, D10 5-6pm

## **Present**

Jo Clarke - Secretary
Gehad Karmout – Vice Chair + Learning Rep
Gloanne Lapuz-Flores – Treasurer - Health and Safety Rep
Shelley Pearce
Sue Morris – Chair + Steward + Health and Safety Rep
Rosemary Gorvin – RCN SE Board Member
Sam Crook – RCN SE Senior Regional Officer

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Apologies
- 2. THE ROLE OF THE BOARD Rosemary explained the role of the board. Rosemary explained that by being present at the branch meeting this offered people the opportunity to bring along any issues and ideas. The board meetings have parts that are open and online.
- 3. CONGRESS 2025 Liverpool Feedback from congress was given. This was a positive. Congress 2025 debates are available online
- 4. BAND 2 -3 -There has been much progress on Band 2 -3 finally at PHUT with ongoing discussions regarding back pay.
- CORRIDOR CARE This is an ongoing issue at QA Hospital. The importance of Datix recording for any risk was highlighted. The important role of Health and Safety representatives within this issue was discussed.
- 6. EVENTS The Branch hope to combine an AGM with a study day. Any ideas for themes or issues would be appreciated. The possibility of opening this study event to Southampton/Hampshire for part of the day was discussed, or a separate combined event. Funding might be an issue but may be possible to apply for more funds via the Board.
- 7. EVENTS The branch will join the parade at Pride on the 7th June 2025. Volunteers wanted
- 8. EVENT The branch have a stand at the Support Worker Conference on 24th June volunteers wanted
- 9. EVENT There is a joint JCNC /Union awareness session on 12<sup>th</sup> June at Lakeside and another on Friday 12th September in the Education Centre, QAH. Volunteers wanted
- 10. RECRUITMENT still needing to recruit reps, and increase attendance at Branch meetings / participation

## 11. AOB

- i) Spring sessions open forums for staff
- ii) Heatwave guidance out for staff
- iii) Induction working on getting union involvement in this for new staff
- iv) IOW RCN members working on moving to Portsmouth Branch
- 12. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 5pm D10 Meeting Room (Lotus Rehabilitation Centre)