

Chair's Report April 2020 – June 2022

The Covid 19 pandemic dominated activity, and indeed inactivity, during the period covered by this report. Previous endeavours by the Trust created initiatives such as the Community Clinics providing McTimoney chiropractic treatments to the homeless in Birmingham and the disadvantaged in Lincolnshire. These were intended to be pilots for an expanding network of clinics. The outbreak of the pandemic closed both clinics and coincided with the Trust losing its Director of Operations and subsequently the Administrator. Ongoing uncertainty has meant that these posts have remained vacant.

Prolonged negotiations concluded in 2021 when the Trust who previously owned McTimoney Chiropractic College (MCC), which was operated under license by BPP University (BPPU), transferred the ownership to the College of Health (CoH), a new venture initiated by former BPPU employees. The CoH is now operating independently and using the Trust's intellectual property under license. This seems to have been achieved without detriment to the students and accreditation has been attained with Ulster University. Teaching continued despite the challenges of Covid, and student recruitment appears to be increasing.

Trustees were grateful to Imelda Twine who having stood down from her post as a trustee after 10 years, agreed to carry on as Treasurer. Her tireless support for the Trust has been an invaluable contribution.

Barbara Husband stood down as Chair of the Trust after a successful period during which many new initiatives got underway and financial stability was achieved. As Chair, Barbara oversaw support to the MCC and its students amounting to over £550,000.

In May 2020, MCC students were supported with over £54,000 of bursaries and all students were registered with the Royal Society of Medicine.

During the last year, two trustees have left, Duncan Edwards and Rosemary Jodko-Narkiwicz and we are very pleased to have recruited Christina Rudd and Vicky Stone. Christina is a McTimoney chiropractor of more than 25 years and former MCC tutor, and Vicky is an expert in marketing as well as an enthusiastic supporter of McTimoney.

The Trust has maintained its financial position during a period of unexpected expenses that had not been budgeted for. Whilst investments have been volatile, the Trust's position has been carefully managed and has remained financially stable.

The Trust has reviewed its policies and procedures and continues to update all documents on an ongoing basis. The Articles of Association are being brought it up to date with the new position relative to the MCC.

Kevin Grant 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022