

British Paediatric and Adolescent Bone Group (BPABG) Trustees' Annual Report 2025–2026

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Reporting period:

- Financial period start date: 22/08/2024
- Financial period end date: 05/04/2025

1. Legal & Administrative Information

- Charity Name: British Paediatric & Adolescent Bone Group (BPABG)
- Charity Number: 1209716
- Legal Form: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), Association Model
- Constitution Date: 14 March 2024; Registration: 22 August 2024

- Trustees:
 - Prof Raja Padidela (Treasurer)
 - Dr Talat Mushtaq (Chair)
 - Prof Justin Davies (Secretary)

Auditors: not required for this financial cycle (Income less than £10,000)

Bankers

CAF (Charities Aid Foundation)
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2. Structure, Governance & Management

The BPABG represents clinicians working in paediatric and adolescent metabolic bone health. The organisation meets twice yearly to share clinical expertise, research updates, and guidance relevant to children with bone and mineral disorders. Its governance follows the requirements for UK-registered charitable organisations, with trustees responsible for strategic oversight, financial stewardship, and ensuring charitable compliance

Members express an interest in joining or renewing their involvement with the BPABG on a cyclical basis. Eligible members participate in the governance of the organisation. The charity maintains a Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) account to support secure and responsible income and expenditure management

3. Charitable Objectives (as per Constitution)

“The advancement of health, for the public benefit, in the treatment and management of paediatric and adolescent bone disease and related disorders by advancing the education and clinical practices of healthcare professionals through the organisation of meetings, conferences and online workshops, providing up-to-date information on current and emerging treatment and research to inform healthcare professionals and the production of guidelines on the treatment and management of paediatric and adolescent bone disease.

The charity had 23 elected members during this reporting cycle

Membership fees are £50 for consultants, £25 for resident doctors, nurses and allied health professionals.

4. Summary of Activities and Achievements

Education & clinical practice:

- Twice-yearly national meetings, including annual AGM (Hybrid: In person with virtual link up)
 - 11/11/24: Birmingham Children’s Hospital.
- Guideline development:
 - Safeguarding statement for fragility fractures with proposal to integrate with RCPCH documents
 - Bisphosphonate survey and development of national working group
- Education through sharing of complex cases
- RCPCH conference Glasgow. March 2025: Joint session with BSPED / BPABG
 - Neonatal calcium disorders & Genetics

Access to clinical pathways and services

- Burosumab for adolescents
- Bone biopsy

Members engage with patient support groups

- DMD working group – consensus documents for management of puberty, adrenal insufficiency, fractures
- Support group for SMA, XLH, Achondroplasia

Members engage with related societies

- Members of the society are represented on committees with other related societies to ensure close liaison: Eg ISCBH and BSPED

6. Financial Review

Reporting cycle

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- **Income: £950** – membership fees
- **Expenditure: £15** – bank fees

7. Plans for 2025-2026

1. Progress with bisphosphonate working group
2. Plan for BPABG conference on alternate years from ICCBH
3. Progress with bone school
4. Develop and maintain a register of national bone research studies
5. Trainee support to attend conferences
6. Website set up

Sponsors:

There is opportunity for intermittent financial support to the BPABG from sponsors from the pharmaceutical industry. The majority of the sponsored funding is to support the twice-yearly meeting.

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Leeds Children's Hospital

Chair of the British Paediatric and Adolescent Bone Group: 2024 to present