



126th Open Meeting Programme

Tuesday 12th November 2024

09.30 Registration and refreshments

10.00 Welcome from Giles Webber, Chair

10.05 Update on the work of Association of Dogs and Cats Homes from Rebecca Cooper, Executive Director

10.20 Updates from ADCH Committees

- Standards & Animal Welfare Committee
- Member Engagement Committee
- Governance Committee
- Legislative Committee and Claire Bass – HSI UK

11.00 Networking and refreshments

11.30 Wellbeing of shelter staff and volunteers

Tamsin Durston manages the 'Dog Friendly Clinic' Team at Dogs Trust, and is a Registered Veterinary Nurse, Clinical Animal Behaviourist, Accredited Dog Training Instructor with an MSc in Human Psychology. Tamsin has written a popular book, 'Emotional Well-being for Animal Welfare Professionals' and will be presenting human behaviour models around coping with the emotionally challenging work which animal care involves

12.05 Update on reduced priced medicines from the Animal Charity Pharmacy

Dr Sue Paterson FRCVS, Chair of Trustees of The Animal Charity Pharmacy will be giving members an update on the work of the charity in setting up a low-cost pharmacy for ADCH members to purchase reduced price veterinary medicines.

12.40 Updates from Sponsors

- Petplan
- Mars

13.10 Updates from Members

13.30 Buffet lunch and further opportunity for networking

Pre-booked tours of RSPCA Sussex North & Brighton Branch take place at 1400, 1430 and 1500. Please ensure that you have booked your slot.