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## APPG on Almshouses Minutes of Inaugural Meeting Microsoft Teams Thursday February 4<sup>th</sup>, 4pm-5pm

## Attendance:

Baroness Jolly, Baroness Eaton, Lord Best, Dawn Butler MP, Siobhain McDonagh MP, Barry Gardiner MP, Sally-Ann Hart MP, Nick Phillips, Jack Baldan, Daniel Ashcroft

- 1. Votes:
  - a. Siobhain McDonagh MP was elected Chair
  - b. Sally Hart MP was elected Vice Chair
  - c. Barry Gardiner MP and Baroness Jolly elected Officers
  - d. Almshouse Association elected as Secretariat for the APPG
- 2. Discussion on The Almshouse Association and aims for the almshouse movement led by Nick Phillips
  - a. Lord Best raised questions on the current difficulties that almshouses are facing and how Government could help
  - b. It was suggested that the group should invite Housing Minister Chris Pincher MP for a meeting to discuss
- 3. Jack Baldan said that he would produce briefings for attendees on the almshouses within their constituencies.