What’s new?

Our new Chair

We have a new Chairman at Aphasia Re-Connect, Peter Cook. He chairs the Trustee Board, providing the overarching governance of the Charity.

A professional chemist by background, he has been a liveryman in the City of London since 1982, and was Sheriff of the City of London 2009-10.

Peter lives in Bromley and is married to Julie, who runs our Bromley Group.

Our new Trustees

We are also delighted to welcome our new trustees, bringing their talents and commitment to Aphasia Re-Connect:

Virgin Clark  •  Rachel Frankel  •  Vicky Yorke

They join existing trustees Rachel Green, Holly Terry and Katerina Hilari on the Board.

Latest News

What we’ve been up to at the groups

Peter has ambitious plans to raise income to help Aphasia Re-Connect:

- Set up 2 new groups this year, to reach more people
- Have better communications
- Develop our training for volunteers and peer leaders
- Develop the Board, to support Aphasia Re-Connect’s work and ambition.

New people are applying all the time:
★ 1 to 4 new people per week ★

Thursday Drop-in is livelier than ever, with 39 people attending the group this Spring.
Music Group has been enjoying an eclectic mix of music, from Bach to Eminem.

Art Groups

Fabulous art from Maureen’s Art Group and Afsana’s Drawing Group at the National Portrait Gallery.

Wider Opportunities

Our members have been involved in fantastic productions, including an Opera about Aphasia at the Cockpit Theatre and the American Dream at the Young Vic.

Fundraising events:
Thank you to our trustee, Rachel Green, for organising a fantastic jazz evening which raised over £5000 for Aphasia Re-Connect

Reaching out project

A one day workshop with Ark Walworth Academy was a great success. The project was a collaboration between experts with Aphasia and the school. It was supported by a community engagement grant from United St. Saviour’s.

Students on placement from Greenwich, UCL and City, University of London

5 weekly groups
6 monthly groups
Conversation partners and befrienders
Co-facilitators and trainers