



## All-Party Parliamentary Group on Baby Loss

### Meeting notes

- **Date:** 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026
- **Time:** 15.00-17.00
- **Location:** Committee Room 10, Palace of Westminster

#### **Members and representatives in attendance:**

- Andy MacNae MP
- Michelle Welsh MP
- Alison Bennett MP
- Mohammad Yasin MP

#### **Attendees:**

- Aimee Green, Luna's Fund
- Alexandra Mancini, National Lead Neonatal Palliative Care
- Alison Wright, RCOG
- Angela Thompson, Sands parent
- Angie Rice, Midwife
- Beth Malory, UCL
- Celeste Pergolizzi, Tommys
- Chelsie Dolling, Sands and Tommy's JPU
- Clare Livingstone, RCM
- Claudette Collins Achu, NHS
- Collette Murphy, AFA
- Dalvir Kandola, Consultant Midwife, Inclusivity Lead

- Demelza Murphy Lucas, AFA
- Eilis Boyle, Bliss
- Emily Cannon, Office of Michelle Welsh MP
- Faye Hill, Abigails Footsteps
- Georgia Stevenson, Sands and Tommy's JPU
- Gillian Rudd, Lily Mae Foundation
- Gillian Weaver, Human Milk Foundation
- Hannah Cahill, Sands parents
- Hannah Travis, Bolt Burdon Kemp
- Helena Morais, Maila's Present
- Jamie Straker, Bereavement midwife
- Jane Plumb, Group B Strep
- Jessica Reeves, Sands
- John Mancini
- Kara Davey, Psychologist
- Kate Marsh, Tommys
- Kate Mulley, Sands
- Laura Benett, Rainbow Trust
- Laura Welsh, ARC
- Lauren Caulfield, Mother (Sands parent)
- Lisa Leppard, Lead Care Coordinator, TVTN Neonatal ODN
- Louis Johnson, DHSC
- Louisa Hendrickson, Zion's Lighthouse
- Louise Dougal, Helix MMHS
- Lucy Wateley, Bolt Burdon Kemp
- Lyndsey Morrit, Sands parent
- Nisita Patel, Sands parent
- Oliver Plumb, Group B Strep
- Owen Riley, Office of Andy MacNae MP
- Paula Mothersole, Petals
- Poppy Walker, Daphne and Friends
- Racheal Crane, Max's Legacy
- Rachel Burrell, Ebony Bonds
- Rachel Small, Ectopic Pregnancy Trust
- Ros Kane, Before Becoming Parent
- Ruth Oshikanlu, Abúlé CIC
- Sharon Darke, Footprints Baby Loss
- Sian Ness, Cuddle Cott
- Susan Prior, Fletchers
- Suzie Scofield, Footprints Baby Loss
- Vanessa Oviasu, Parenthood Interrupted

## **1. Welcome & introductions**

**Andy** opened the meeting and welcomed everyone attending.

He shared an update on the National Maternity and Neonatal Investigation call for evidence and the interim report.

He then outlined the format of the APPG meeting and introduced the discussion topics.

## **2. National Maternity and Neonatal Investigation discussion**

The meeting held an open discussion related to the structural and systemic challenges related to pregnancy and baby loss, covering:

- 1) National standards of maternity and neonatal care
- 2) Justice, compassion and accountability for bereaved parents
- 3) Tackling the impact of inequalities on maternity and neonatal care
- 4) Barriers to improvement of maternity and neonatal services

## **3. Meeting close**

**Andy** thanked those who attended the meeting and for sharing their experience and expertise.

If any individuals or organisations would like to send their own responses to the call for evidence, the deadline is the 17<sup>th</sup> March.

For any healthcare professional sharing evidence via their NHS Trusts, the deadline is the 9<sup>th</sup> March.

We will share information about upcoming meetings in due course.