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Lindsay Leg Club Foundation patron elected Master of prestigious London livery company

Dr Timothy Cutler FRCP FLS, an internationally renowned Consultant Dermatologist and patron of the Lindsay Leg Club Foundation, has been elected Master of the Worshipful Company of Barbers. The Company of Barbers, which was established over 700 years ago, is one of the City of London's oldest livery companies and has its origins based in medicine and surgery.

Each August, the Master of the Company is elected and holds office for one year. As Master, Dr Cutler will chair the Company's Court, which is made up of other members of the governance team and meets seven times a year to make decisions on all aspects of the Company's business.

The Barbers' Company is a fraternal organisation, with responsibilities and rights within the City of London, and seeks to provide support to charities, institutions and individuals associated with the Company's ancient and long-established traditions and origins.

Ellie Lindsay OBE, Lifetime president, The Lindsay Leg Club Foundation, said: "It is fantastic for the Foundation to have such a prestigious patron and we wish Dr Cutler well with his responsibilities as Master of the Worshipful Company of Barbers over the next 12 months."

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Notes to editors:

1) Leg ulcers (and other chronic leg problems like lymphoedema) can affect people at any age, but are particularly common in people over 60. At present, over 80 per cent of all leg ulcers are treated in patients' own homes by district nurses or by practice nurses in GP surgeries. However, patients often find it difficult to adhere to treatment plans, or to maintain the preventive measures needed to avert recurrence of the ulcer. Many leg ulcers consequently reoccur, or remain unhealed for many months or even years.

2) The Lindsay Leg Club Foundation exists to promote the national development of Leg Clubs. The Foundation also provides the necessary support and training for nurses to establish Leg Clubs and follow the Foundation's guidelines, as well as ongoing training in new developments in leg care.

3) The Leg Club is an innovative model of care that has been shown to improve the health and wellbeing of people with chronic leg conditions. By healing chronic leg wounds and keeping them healed, Leg Clubs also have the potential to save commissioners up to 80 per cent of their wound care budget in comparison with conventional leg ulcer treatment. A Leg Club is a local partnership between community nurses, patients and members of the community. Run by a committee of members and local people, each Leg Club operates according to strict guidelines of care, monitored by the Lindsay Leg Club Foundation. The Leg Club title, the wording and logo are protected by Registered Trade Mark in the UK and Australia.

For further information about the Leg Club Foundation and Leg Clubs visit:

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