

Funding Neuro

A stylized graphic of a molecular structure composed of several pink spheres of varying sizes connected by black lines. The spheres are arranged in a cluster, with some having small black lines radiating from them, suggesting movement or vibration.

Curing Neurological Disorders

Brain Tumours Parkinson's Disease Alzheimer's
Multiple Sclerosis Motor Neuron Disease
Epilepsy Strokes Huntington's

Foreword



Bryn Williams
Director
Funding Neuro

In September 2007 my life changed dramatically. The future I thought I had was, overnight, replaced by a future I, quite simply, didn't want.

At 11:53 AM on Friday, 7 September 2007, I took a phone call from a neurologist who told me I had Parkinson's disease. I was 36.

To the general public, Parkinson's is a disease of elderly. It isn't. There are tens of thousands of people in their 20s, 30s and 40s living in the shadow of this condition. I set up Wobbly Williams to raise awareness of young onset Parkinson's disease. To bring the disease into the public eye.

Wobbly Williams was also established to be a fund-raising organisation. To raise funds to finance projects which would lead to a cure for Parkinson's disease.



The Wobbly Banquet 2010



I learned a number of things during my research into a cure for Parkinson's disease –

- There are many promising compounds in existence which can treat neurological diseases but they have to be delivered to the part of the brain that needs them reliably and safely.
- There is a need for improved cross-fertilisation of ideas between experts in different neurological fields.
- People want the charity they support to be transparent, focused and capable of delivering on their promises.

Funding Neuro was established because the Wobbly Williams team was given opportunity to advance the cure for Parkinson's disease, brain tumours and neurological disorders in general, by financing trials of a method of delivering drugs to the brain in a safe and effective manner.

Our immediate goal is to finance these trials. We will then target more problems and we will solve them too.

Our objective is to cure and prevent neurological disorders.

Join us.
Be Part of Something Amazing.

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Our Vision

To be the primary global funder and knowledge centre in the field of drug and therapeutic device delivery technology for the relief of neurological disorders

Our Philosophy

We exist to support, encourage and fast-track the development of drug and device delivery solutions that help the relief of neurological disorders.

Our Aims

Empower supporters to maximise their contributions.

Enable and focus scientists on developing solutions with urgency

Our Guiding Principles

Positive

Success is possible and that we will achieve it

Inspirational

Leading with energy and passion

Transparent

Completely open about how we operate and what we achieve

Impatient

Achieving results by pushing boundaries and driving hard for progress



Three Year Plan

Funding Neuro will raise £1,000,000 between August 2011 and August 2014.

We plan to use this money to show that there are medications that can effectively treat brain conditions when administered successfully.

The first project Funding Neuro is supporting are trials of a drug delivery technology pioneered by Steven Gill at Frenchay hospital in Bristol. Prof Gill and his team are undertaking two trials; a trial of the system to deliver chemotherapy to brain tumours and a trial of the system to deliver a protein to treat Parkinson's disease.

The chemotherapy trial will commence this year, delivering chemotherapy to patients who have exhausted all other forms of treatment. The treatment will be administered through catheters through the brain at very low doses. Flushing the brain of cancerous cells without significant suppression of the immune system, attacking both primary and secondary cancer sites.



Funding Neuro have agreed to fund £200,000 towards the cost of this trial.

The protein delivery trial is being led by Parkinson's UK and the Cure Parkinson's Trust.

Both organisations have committed circa £700,000 each to this £1.4 million trial and Funding Neuro have agreed to meet a portion of each organisation's costs, as follows:

- £300,000 to Parkinson's UK between August 2011 and August 2013, and
- £100,000 to the Cure Parkinson's Trust between August 2013 and August 2014.

The final £400,000 Funding Neuro will raise is to be held in reserve for yet to be identified activities.



Men's & Women's 10K



Fundraising Strategy

Funding Neuro is different from any other charity in the United Kingdom. We are transparent.

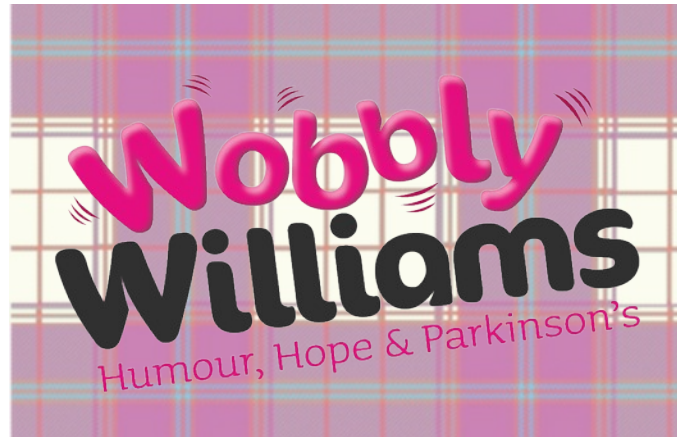
Our fundraising strategy is based on transparency. Every fundraiser and every donator should know exactly where the money is going.

Like any charity, like any business, we have costs. Advertising materials, travel costs, infrastructure costs. The costs of keeping the charity working.

The first way we differ from other charities is that we are asking targeted donors to cover these costs.

With our costs covered by these donors, our fundraisers, and the people that support them, know that every single penny they raise or donate will go to research.

The second way we differ to other charities is we do not roll the cost of participating in an event, like climbing Kilimanjaro, into a sponsorship target. We don't believe you should get other people to pay for you to do something you have always wanted to do. With Funding Neuro if you want to climb Kilimanjaro, then you should foot the bill.



Funding Neuro is the chosen charity of Wobbly Williams.

Wobbly Williams' objective is to raise awareness of young onset Parkinson's in a positive and optimistic way through its spectacular events and PR coups.

The Wobbly team raise funds for Funding Neuro through these events and through the Wobbly Williams TryAthletes.

The TryAthletes are a team of dedicated fundraisers who run, walk, swim and cycle to raise funds for cures for all neurological disorders.

More details of Wobbly events and the TryAthletes can be found at WobblyWilliams.com



Wobbly Williams
TryAthletes
Humour, Hope & Parkinson's

Join The TryAthletes



Run, Walk, Swim or Cycle.
Join The TryAthletes and Cure Neurological Disorders

Places available to join our teams for the following events in 2012...

January

Kilimanjaro

June

Glasgow Men's 10K

March

Rome Marathon

September

Great Scottish Run

Great North Run

Great Scottish Swim

April

London Marathon

October

Dublin Marathon

May

Glasgow Women's 10K

Belfast Marathon

Edinburgh Marathon

November

New York Marathon

For more details of
the TryAthletes and
how to join, visit
Try-Athletes.com



Directors



Bryn Williams

Bryn was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2007 aged 36. As a result of this diagnosis, Bryn became a Parkinson's advocate, through his website WobblyWilliams.com. Bryn lives in Glasgow with his wife Vicky and his two daughters, Ella and Rebecca. He also works as a patent attorney with Marks & Clerk, a speech writer, a motivational and after-dinner speaker and an author.



Matt Howick

Matt has a diverse range of skills from a career spanning many different fields. Matt is a director of the Social Marketing Gateway, a company which he co-founded. Matt is also a WobblyWilliams Try-Athlete, competing in the Survival of the Fittest 10K, the Great North Run the London Marathon and the London Triathlon in the last twelve months.



Ian Kilpatrick

Ian brings a successful business career, boundless optimism and an unshakeable belief that anything is possible to Funding Neuro.

Ian is the founder and managing director of Geason.

Contact

Patrons



Gavin Hastings

Former Captain of Scotland and the British Lions.



Jennifer Reoch

TryAthlete and the reigning Miss Scotland.

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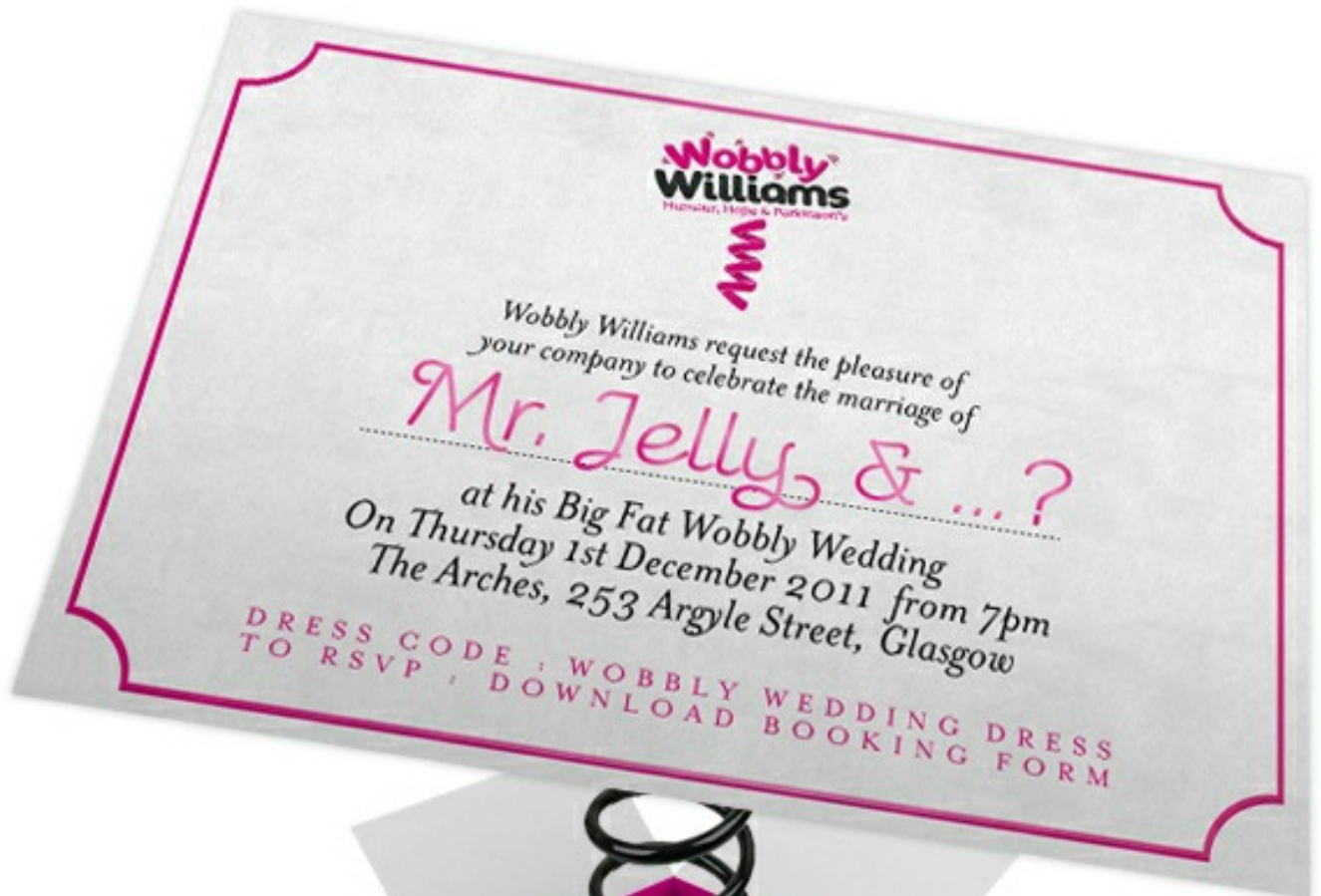
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