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The Patients' Council has had one of its most productive years in the range of work undertaken. This has been possible through the commitment and dedication of its management committee's 12 members and other activists.

Working for improvements in mental health care and in the hospital environment remained the cornerstone of our work. The benefits of service-users, carers and NHS staff working in partnership on an agenda of 'safety, privacy & dignity' were seen again this year and have become further embedded in any new hospital initiatives.

We have helped to set up a new Resource group of service-users and carers at Napier University. It is participating in mental health nurse training and also in interviewing new student nurses.

A great deal of our energy was spent this year setting up a group to advocate about the future of the Royal Edinburgh Hospital. A number of options were and still are being considered. The advantages of the hospital being based in Morningside were put forward at many levels.

We held a very successful Barbecue on 27th July where good weather made an appearance along with many members and friends new and old.

Ruth Rooney
Support Worker

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