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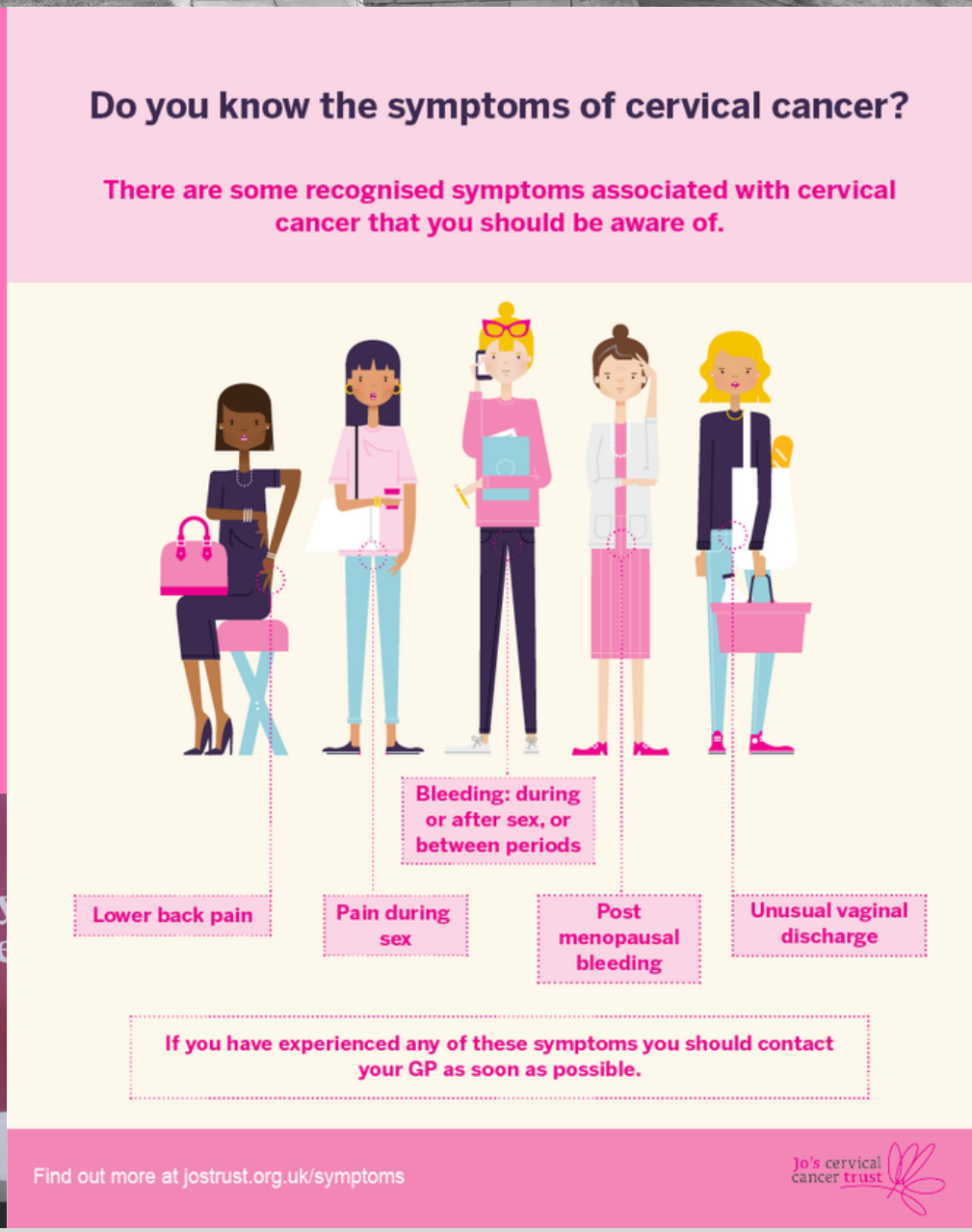
CONSTITUENCY ROUND UP

Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust

I was pleased to be able to meet representatives from Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust when their "Be Cervix Savvy" Roadshow visited The Centre in Livingston. They visited 16 cities across the UK to talk to people about what cervical screening is and its importance, how to spot the symptoms of cervical cancer and who can have the HPV vaccine. If you would like further information about their work or about cervical cancer, you can get in touch with them on 0808 802 8000.



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Gig Buddies

I met with a representative of Gig Buddies to find out about their work in the constituency. Gig Buddies is a befriending project that links music fans who have a learning disability with volunteers who share their interest so that they can go to events together.

Gig Buddies are always looking for more volunteers so if you would like to be part of their great work and become a "Gig Buddy" yourself, you can apply online on their website!

Broxburn Family Centre turns 30

I attended the 30th birthday party of the Broxburn Family Centre and greatly enjoyed hearing about how important the centre has been for the community and meeting staff, supporters and children who have all been involved in the centre's success.

West Lothian Pride!

It was a privilege to be part of West Lothian Pride this year and it was great to see people band together to celebrate LGBT+ pride.

Meet your elected representatives branch meeting

It was great to meet members old and new at the "Meet your elected representatives" branch meeting in August.

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Stoneyburn Galaday

I had a great time at the Galaday at Stoneyburn Juniors Football Club catching up with constituents.

Witherby Publishing's Orchestra Event

I am an avid music fan and relish the opportunity to support grassroots music. I hugely enjoyed attending an event organised by Witherby Publishing Group where they invited the fantastic Scottish street orchestra, Nevis Ensemble to play.

Surgeries

I have held a number of surgeries during summer recess throughout the constituency. I try to ensure that as many people as possible are able to see me and I recently held a surgery at Craigshill Foodbank and have actioned a few cases from this.

If you have any queries regarding my surgeries, please do not hesitate to contact my office and I will do my best to help.

Upcoming surgeries

September 2018

Friday 14th September, 11.30am – 1.00pm at Winchburgh Community Education Centre, Craigton Pl, Winchburgh, Broxburn EH52 6RW

October 2018

Friday 5th October, 2.00pm – 3.30pm at Newyearfield Farm Community Centre, Hawk Brae, Livingston EH54 6TW

Friday 12th October, 12.00pm – 1.00pm, The Linburn Centre, Louis Braille Avenue, Wilkieston, EH27 8EJ,

-Saturday 20th October, 12.00pm – 1.30pm, Polbeth Village Hall, Polbeth Road, Polbeth, West Lothian, EH55 8SR

November 2018

Friday 2nd November, 11.30am – 1.00pm, Bridgend Community Centre, Auldhill Road, Bridgend, EH49 6NZ

Friday 16th November, 2.00pm – 3.30pm, Harburn Village Hall, West Calder

Friday 30th November, 11.30am – 1.00pm, Stoneyburn Community Education Centre, 75 Main St, Stoneyburn, Bathgate EH47 8BY

(No appointments necessary)

APPG
Deaths Abroad and Consular Services

I am the Chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Deaths Abroad and Consular Services, which I established after constituents had reached out to my office for assistance after the deaths of their loved ones abroad and the lack of support they have received from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. The group has been contacted by people from all over the UK with similar experiences.

Although the group was only established in April this year, its work has gained fantastic traction and has gained public awareness of the current gaps in support given to families.

I chaired a Scottish evidence session in Glasgow for families to tell their stories and will be publishing a public report of the experiences relayed to us in the hope that this will bring about the necessary change.

If you have any queries regarding the work of the APPG, please do not hesitate to get in touch with my office.

GET IN TOUCH

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