Charity expert comes to Rochester tinnitus support group

Friday 26 July, 2019

26 July 2019 An expert from the British Tinnitus Association (BTA) will be speaking at the next meeting of the Rochester tinnitus support group. The meeting will take place 1.30pm – 3.30pm Friday 30 August at the West Kent Quaker Meeting House, Northgate, Rochester ME1 1LS.

The group, facilitated by Kent hearing charity HiKent, enables people with tinnitus to meet others with the condition, hear useful tips on coping methods, find out what help is available and hear about the latest research.

Nic Wray, BTA Communications Manager will be discussing the latest research focusing on the question “Will there ever be a cure?”

Nic comments: “I look forward to coming to Rochester and speaking with the support group. Being among people who have tinnitus, listening to their experiences and how they manage it, can be inspirational. I feel I learn something every time I attend a group meeting. It is particularly exciting to be sharing progress in research towards the much longed for cure.”

Tinnitus is defined as the experience of sounds with no external source, most commonly ringing or buzzing, but sometimes experienced as whooshing, clicking or even music. Around one in eight people experience persistent tinnitus. Many people aren’t troubled by sounds they hear, but for around 10%, the condition has a significant impact on their quality of life, often linked to stress, anxiety or sometimes depression.

Nic adds: “Tinnitus can be an isolating condition, and we’re keen to spread the word that there are management techniques which can help a person lead the best life they can, and to reduce the burden of living with this condition.”

If you would like to find out more, please contact enquiries@hikent.org.uk or phone 01622 691151

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Editors Notes

- The BTA is an independent charity which supports 645,000 people per year who experience tinnitus and advises medical professionals from across the world. It is the primary source of support and information for people with tinnitus in the UK.
- The BTA needs to raise £800,000 each year to continue their UK wide support. Donations can be made via
- **Not">www.tinnitus.org.uk/donate**
- Not">... an illness or disease, tinnitus is a term that describes the sensation of hearing a noise in the absence of an external sound. The noise can have virtually any quality. Ringing, whistling, and buzzing are common, but more complex sounds may also be reported.

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