

## South Lanarkshire Self-Directed Support Network

### Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 05<sup>th</sup> March 2019 @ 13.00 - 15.00

Lifestyles Fairhill, Neilsland Road, Hamilton, ML3 8HJ

**Present:** Andrew Kousourou (Chair), John Dykes (Vice-chair), Kevin McGoldrick (Secretary), Bobby Bell, Marie Carracher, Suban McGoldrick, Ian Bingham

**Apologies:** Zoe McPartlin, Gillian Howie,

ITEM		ACTION
1.	<p>Chairman welcomed all at meeting and declared a quorum to be present.</p> <p>Two items on the agenda needed changing.</p> <p>The date of the previous AGM minutes should read 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and proposal 11b was seconded by John Dykes.</p> <p>The meeting also agreed to accept a proposal to change Para 4 of the Constitution which had mistakenly not been submitted timeously.</p>	
2.	Apologies - Apologies were noted as above	
3.	<p>Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018</p> <p>Minutes of the meeting were approved by Vice Chair and seconded by Chair</p> <p>Minutes were signed as approved by the Chairman and Secretary</p>	
4.	<p>Matters Arising from minutes</p> <p>There were no matters arising from the previous minutes</p>	
5.	<p>To Receive the Annual Report of the Chairman's Report</p> <p>REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2018</p> <p>2018 was as usual a busy year for the Network with your committee members representing the network at various forums, consultations and events. We have representation on the SDS User and Carers Framework, The NHS Public Reference Forum and the People-led Policy Panel as well as the SDS Members Survey.</p> <p>Management Committee members have attended several training sessions on various subjects, including Participation Requests and Making the Law Work for You: SDS, Human Rights and Equalities'</p> <p>Towards the end of the year we commissioned a professional website builder and our new website went live just before Christmas – we believe this is a great improvement on the old website as it has been made more user friendly and with lots of new features.</p> <p>During 2018 we held a number of our own 'Roadshows,' The Roadshows will continue for the foreseeable future as there are still a lot of people out there who have little or no knowledge of SDS and how it affects their lives.</p> <p>As always funding is an ongoing concern for the network and we are continually trying to source new funding streams.</p> <p>Finally, I would like to thank the Management Committee for their support over the past year and trust that we can go from strength to strength.</p> <p>Andrew Kousourou Chairman SLSDSN</p>	
6.	Treasurers Annual Financial Statement	

	<p>The Chair distributed copies of the signed annual financial statement which was submitted to OSCR as per charity regulations</p> <p>There were no other questions on the accounts and the Treasurer thanked all funders support to date and Accountants Plus for collating the Network's accounts</p>	
7 & 8	<p>Approve The Independent Examiners Report</p> <p>Andrew proposed approval of the Independent Examiners report and this was seconded by Bobby this was agreed by all present</p> <p>Andrew proposed that we continue to use Accountants Plus as our Auditor which was amicably agreed this was seconded by Marie.</p>	
9.	<p>Election of Office Bearers</p> <p>1) The chairman vacated the chair to the vice-chair while nominations were invited for the position of Chair – Andrew was nominated by Marie and seconded by Suban, there were no other nominations and Andrew accepted the position and resumed as Chair.</p> <p>2) Treasurer nominations were invited for the position of Treasurer – Bobby was nominated by Andrew and seconded by John there were no other nominations and Bobby accepted the position as Treasurer.</p>	
10.	<p>Election of Management Committee Members</p> <p>There were no other nominations for the committee. We can co-opt 3 new members throughout the year.</p>	
11.	<p>Consider the Following Proposals</p> <p>Prior to any discussions on the proposals the meeting was asked if anyone present thought we should keep the current name of South Lanarkshire Self-Directed Support Network. There was no support for this suggestion</p> <p><b>a.</b> To propose that the name of our charity be changed from South Lanarkshire Self-Directed Support Network to <u>Self-Directed Support Network (S. Lanarkshire)</u>. Proposed by Andrew Kousourou and seconded by Kevin McGoldrick.</p> <p><b>b.</b> To propose that the name of our charity be changed from South Lanarkshire Self-Directed Support Network to <u>Self-Directed Support South Lanarkshire</u>. Proposed by Bobby Bell (not seconded)</p> <p>After a brief discussion an amendment was proposed to proposal b. that the word Network be inserted after the word Support. This was proposed by John and seconded by Bobby. On a vote the amendment was approved by 5 votes to nil. Proposal b. was amended accordingly and now reads to change the name to Self-Directed Support Network South Lanarkshire.</p> <p>Andrew, Bobby, John and Marie all summarised reasons for change of charity name followed by vote:</p> <p>Votes for proposal a. were 2 for and 4 against  Votes for proposal b (as amended) were 4 for and 2 against.  Proposal b. was therefore carried by a two thirds majority vote.</p> <p>This will now be submitted to OSCR for approval.</p> <p><b>c.</b> To consider a proposed Membership amendment to the first paragraph of</p>	

	<p>Network's Constitution section 4.</p> <p><u>FROM:</u></p> <p>a) Full Membership  Membership of the Network will be open to residents of South Lanarkshire who are in receipt of or who have applied for any of the four options of SDS; this will include persons in receipt of SDS by virtue of a Guardianship Order or Power of Attorney and to immediate family (parents, spouses, children or siblings) and guardians of people in receipt of SDS.</p> <p><u>TO:</u></p> <p>b) Full Membership  Membership of the Network will be open to residents in South Lanarkshire who are in receipt or who have applied for any of the four options of SDS; this will include any person who is acting on behalf of the person by Guardianship Order or Power of Attorney and shall take that person's right to vote on their behalf. One vote per one SDS package recipient.  Carers who are immediate family members (such as parents, spouses children, siblings and guardians who do not have a Guardianship Order), shall be able to join the network as Associate Members, who do not have voting rights.  Proposed by John Dykes and seconded by Bobby Bell.</p> <p>After a brief discussion there was a unanimous decision in favour of the proposed amendment.</p>	
12.	AOB  None	
11.	Date and Time of Next Annual General Meeting  Next <b>Annual General Meeting</b> will be in March 2020 at Lifestyles Fairhill, Neilsland Road, Hamilton, ML3 8HJ	
12.	Close of Annual General Meeting  The meeting closed at 14.55	

Kevin McGoldrick  
Secretary

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