

South Lanarkshire Self-Directed Support Network

Tuesday 11th June 2013

12.30 pm to 15.00 pm

Training Suite, Newberry Rooney Centre, 100 New Park Road, Hamilton, ML3 0BN

Present: Andrew Kousourou (Chair), John Dykes (Vice-chair), Kevin McGoldrick (Secretary)
Suban McGoldrick, Cathy Smith, Terry McQuade

Apologies: Scott Nicol (Treasurer), Gerald Pocock, Wilma Pocock, Andy Simm

In Attendance: Karen Frame (South Lanarkshire Council) Helen Clark (Speak-Out)
Diane Risbey (Facilitator) Rachel Walker (SDSS)

ITEM		ACTION
1.	Chairman welcomed all at meeting	
2.	Apologies - Apologies were noted as above	
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting Minutes of the meeting were read and approved by Cathy Smith, seconded by John Dykes. The minutes were signed as approved by the chairman and secretary	
4.	Matters Arising from minutes - There were no matters arising from the minutes	
5.	Correspondence Read and Discussed Network representative at SDSS Members Event Consultation & SDS Regulations Invitation to Disability Equality Training - 20th June 2013 Edinburgh Invitation to Support Planning Essentials Training - 07th August 2013 GCIL	
6	Matters Arising from Correspondence Terry will circulate website link to management committee for feedback prior to going live	Management Committee
7	Financial Statement Secretary verbally confirmed network's current bank balance from 31 st May 2013 bank statement. Secretary confirm that £0.18 has been allocated to SLSDSN account via www.giveasyoulive.com	
8	Network Development Day Diane Risbey discussed a draft plan for the development day that will include our own testimonials of how SDS gave us back our lives, an agreed time of 11.00 until 15.00 preferably Tuesday 10 th September 2013 however this will be subject to venue and caterers.	Secretary
9	SDS Support Service Secretary confirmed meeting date with Brenda Hutchinson, Pat McCormack, Nadia Ait-Hocine and Michelle McConnachie has been arranged for Tuesday 16 th July 2013 from 13.00 until 14.00 to discuss options and build future relationships to	Secretary

9.cont	<p>work together. There were several questions raised which could be the subject of discussion at that meeting:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Vice-chair is concerned that SLC have not started negotiation to replace Spaen loss of service from 31st March 2013 b) Secretary highlighted that both Glasgow & Lothian Centre for Inclusive Living are disabled user led, offering advice on many aspects of independant living and the network should focus on filling the gap c) Why was the network not consulted about the SDS Pilot d) It is prudent that SLC begin to communicate with network, being user-led we may be able to highlight pitfalls e) How will SLC manage to review all SDS packages on a yearly basis when current assessments and reviews are exceeding 3 months 	
10	<p>Self-Evaluation Questionnaire</p> <p>The network has concerns regarding SLC introducing a Self Evaluation Questionnaire in April 2014 and are looking for the following questions answered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How will we meet the outcomes in our self-evaluation questionnaire b) Will Social Workers have better understanding of SDS to assist with self-evaluation questionnaire bearing in mind that they have no medical background c) If no change to current circumstances, then there is no need to reduce hours and who would decide whether to reduced hours 	
11	<p>AOCB</p> <p>Chair welcomed Cathy Smith in being an Non-office Bearer at last meeting</p> <p>Chair contacted Lynn from Unison who is interested in recruiting our PA's into a union the network amicably disagree</p> <p>Chair contacted Motability and was dismayed to learn that if you are in hospital 28 days or more DWP will stop Motability payments and Motability then have no option but to recall vehicle. Motability have stated that they will try to accommodate users but they have no options available to them.</p> <p>Be aware that during hospital admission the question may be asked do you have a Motability Vehicle</p> <p>Cathy to source fundraising information to allow the network host a bingo event</p>	
12	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 20th August 2013 at 12.30 pm in the Newberry Rooney Centre, 100 New Park Road, Hamilton, ML3 0BN.</p>	
13	<p>Close of Meeting</p> <p>The meeting closed at 15.00</p>	

Kevin McGoldrick
Secretary

Chairman Secretary