

South Lanarkshire Self-Directed Support Network

Tuesday 20th August 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), Scott Nicol (Treasurer), Kevin McGoldrick (Secretary) Gerald Pocock, Suban McGoldrick, Cathy Smith, Terry McQuade

Apologies: Wilma Pocock, Andy Simm, Helen Clark (Speak-Out)

In Attendance: Karen Frame (South Lanarkshire Council)

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, seconded by Andrew. 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 Invitation - Summer Festival, Adults with Learning Disabilities 12 th August Invitation – SLC SDS Framework 14 th August Invitation – Lanarkshire Carers Centre Information & AGM 6 th September Invitation – SDS Form East Renfrewshire Training Day 24 th September Invitation – SDSS Members Event 22 nd October Invitation – ICCAN Information Day 7 th November Event – Vaslan Good Governance 19 th August Event – Scotland's New Dementia Strategy 19 th August Event – Health & Social Care Integration 3 rd October Scottish Government ILF Consultation, closing date 1 st November Network Team to complete and return booking form for Development day Network has received funding application from SLC Grants Department Network applied for funding for Business advisor Network membership form revised Network has 1 new member	

6	<p>Matters Arising from Correspondence</p> <p>Karen expressed concern that ILF Group.1 users are not known to local authorities with an average package of £815.00 per week and come 2015 who will be running the ILF package. The network should hold a 2nd consultation as South Lanarkshire has the 4th highest number of residents in Scotland. Group.2 users are currently known and being looked after by the local authorities.</p>	
7	<p>Financial Statement</p> <p>Treasurer verbally confirmed current balance from 1st August 2013 bank statement.</p>	
8	<p>Network Development Day</p> <p>Venue and caterers confirmed Network leaflets to be distributed in own vicinity Andrew & Terry to Design Poster to be distributed in own vicinity Update on testimonials of how SDS gave us back our lives</p>	
9	<p>Unison Flyer</p> <p>The network committee were dismayed that SLC Social Work Resources carried out a request from Unison and sent a letter with an enclosed sealed envelope addressed to the clients PA to everyone on SLC database receiving Self-Directed Support Payments which was paid for from the Social Care budget and also promoted Spaen whose contract was terminated in South Lanarkshire April 2013 and has yet to be replaced.</p> <p>Karen replied that the local authority work in partnership with Unison and were asked to circulate to all in receipt of Self-Directed Support.</p> <p>Yet during our meeting with Brenda Hutchinson & Co. We asked if SLC Social Work Resources would carry out a mail shot to everyone receiving Self-Directed Support to inform them about South Lanarkshire Self Directed Support Network, with Pat McCormack saying that it is not the Council's function to promote the network.</p>	
10	<p>Equal Pay</p> <p>Karen and Scott were asked to leave the room while the committee discussed equality of pay for PAs and Social Work Care Staff.</p>	
11	<p>AOCB</p> <p>None</p>	
12	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p>As the network are hosting their Development day on 10th September our next meeting will be Tuesday 8th October 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