

Minutes DDN Trustees Meeting Wednesday 11th November 2021

Present (on Zoom) Lorna Bunney, Diana Greene, Alasdair Swan

Apology: Jo McNamara

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2021 were approved.

- 1 Matters arising -
 - 1.1 The minutes will be published on the website. **AS**

- 2 Co-ordinator's report**
 - 2.1 The report had been circulated prior to the meeting.
 - 2.2 The current complexities of the group dynamics were discussed.
 - 2.3 The additional time of two hours per week for the group co-ordinator was approved and will be implemented from December 2021. The model will be reviewed in March 2022. **AS**
 - 2.4 The volunteers' meeting had been a great success. The needs of the group have changed and will continue to change. Solutions are more person centred and individual. There is a surplus of volunteers for the weekly meeting, but their skills are now being directed towards being Zoom Buddies (to build up the confidence of the members in the use of new technology) and coffee companions. It is recognised that volunteers need to feel that they are valued and that they should remain engaged with the charity.
 - 2.5 It was agreed that the Christmas Lunch should proceed as planned at Winterfield Golf Club. If the Social Fund is not sufficient to cover the cost, the balance will be found from the Charity's reserves or from a Community Benefit Grant. **LB**
 - 2.6 It was agreed that the ceramics painting and picture frames for poems should come out of the Art Therapy funds. **LB**
 - 2.7 It was noted that the group will be glad to move back to the Gibb Room in the New Year. There will be monthly ipad/tablets clinics; bi-monthly art sessions; and probably dance chair sessions.
 - 2.8 The waiting list will be re-instated and the possibility of opening up the Wednesday Group again will be kept under review. **LB**

2.9 The Dementia Hub in the Bleachingfield Library is now condensed into a corner, but information on the group is still available there.

2.10 It is not yet clear whether the 'Processions' banner will be returning permanently from Luminate. Finding this out is the first task to be completed. If the banner is to return to Dunbar the preferred location for it would be the Medical Centre. **LB**

3 Networking

3.1 A response has been submitted in support of the Dunbar Meeting Centre.

3.2 The Meeting Centre hopes to be an intergenerational model based at the High School.

3.3 Lorna has offered to meet DFEL on Monday

4 Finance

4.1 The October financial report will be circulated after the meeting. **AS**

4.2 Capital Theatres have sent in a donation in appreciation of Lorna's participation at its event.

4.3 The CAF platform for donations has been accepted and now needs to be activated. **AS**

5 Web-site

5.1 Historical events need to be cleared **LB**

5.2 The donations button needs to be replaced **AS**

6 Date of next meeting

27th January 2022 at 4:30
Countess Road