

Minutes of the DDN Trustees Meeting held on Thursday 29th August 2024

Present: Lorna Bunney, Diana Greene, Jo McNamara, Alasdair Swan

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd May 2024 were approved.

1 Matters arising -

There were no matters arising

2 Co-ordinator's report

2.1 The report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

2.2 The general review confirmed that there was a positive vibe and friendly atmosphere around the group

2.3 The funding received for ongoing art and creative sessions has been greatly appreciated and put to good use.

2.4 The group is running over capacity but natural health issues tend to keep the numbers attending down to manageable proportions.

2.5 The outings continue to pose practical difficulties. Next year they will be reduced in number and scale.

2.6 The "Moving On" group is now seen as being a natural progression. It is a good sized group but there is no-one obvious to lead it instead of Lorna.

2.7 There have been two additions to the waiting list today, but generally people are being absorbed into the group without too much delay.

2.8 It was agreed that the IT equipment will be replaced as soon as Lorna feels that it is no longer fit for purpose.

2.9 Lorna was commended on the way that she juggles all the different pressures surrounding the organisation of the groups.

3 Financial update

3.1 The management accounts had been circulated prior to the meeting. There was nothing of concern to discuss

3.2 The statutory accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024 were approved and signed

3.3 There is hard evidence that the insurance policy has been renewed but we will discover why the direct debits are not being actioned

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3.5 Everyone will stay alert for any grant opportunities.

4 **Date of next meeting**

81 Countess Road

Thursday 7th November at 4.15 p.m.

The Annual General Meeting will precede the Board Meeting