

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Dunbar Dementia Network SCIO held on 14th November 2024 at 81 Countess Road, Dunbar.

Present: Diana Greene (Chair); Lorna Bunney; Jo McNamara; Alasdair Swan

Report by the Chair on the activities of the organisation during 2023/24:

Lorna Bunney, the co-ordinator of the Dunbar Dementia Carers' Group, provided an exciting programme of events and visits, as well as arranging the weekly meetings. As a result, there has been a consistent and growing demand for the services offered by the charity.

The future strategy for the organisation:

The charity aims to support the social needs of carers of those living with dementia as far as it can, given the constraints of the charity's resources. These needs vary from family to family, so the intention is to develop a programme that meets the needs of most of the carers, while endeavouring to provide bespoke support for those with special requirements. The strategy is to flex the offering, depending on the composition of the group at any one time.

Key risks and opportunities:

1. Funding is a constant challenge. The charity relies on external funding to be able to provide its service.
2. Critical staff. The success of the charity depends heavily on the work done by Lorna Bunney, and her loss for any reason represents a major risk.
3. Succession planning. The four trustees have supported the charity's work since its inception but, at the moment, there is no line of succession.
4. Opportunities remain to network with other groups supporting different aspects of living with dementia, as and when they emerge.

Financial review

The accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 have been independently reviewed by G Spratt & Co and have been lodged with OSCR.

There was a surplus in the year 2023/24 of £6,596

At the end of the year restricted funds amounted to £ 7,467 and unrestricted funds amounted to £ 34,434

Retiral of Director:

Jo McNamara retired from office in accordance with clause 20.2 of the Constitution.

She expressed herself willing to be re-elected to office at the next Board Meeting under clauses 22 and 23.

Register of charity trustees:

The register was reviewed and was found to be correct with no changes required.

Appointment of office-bearers

All the office bearers ceased to hold office at the end of the AGM under clause 32

Subject to the re-election of Jo McNamara as a trustee, the following officers were appointed –

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| 1. Chair | - | Diana Greene |
| 2. Treasurer | - | Alasdair Swan |
| 3. Secretary | - | Jo McNamara |

There being no further business the meeting closed.