

## Minutes of the DDN Trustees Meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Present: Lorna Bunney, Diana Greene (note taker), Jo McNamara,

Apologies: Alasdair Swan

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024 were approved.

### **1 Matters arising -**

- 1.1 Trustees approved Salary increase for Coordinator from January 2025.
- 1.2 The minutes are to be posted on the DDN website

**2 Trustee clarification-** is Lorna still able to continue as a Trustee (as on our website), or will changes to OSCR require a change in status for her?

### **3 Co-Ordinator's report**

- 3.1 The report had been circulated prior to the meeting.
- 3.2 The group has got off to a good start this year. At today's meeting there were 22 participants, despite several being unable to come because of illness. Most attendees are couples, with one affected by dementia and the other a Carer, who often has health challenges too.
- 3.3 Zoom meetings are being well attended, and 'Lingo Flamingo' will lead Spanish learning sessions, with lots of ideas for Spanish themed activities to complement this.
- 3.4 Waiting List- there are currently two couples on the waiting list.
- 3.5 A Valentine's tea party was a very enjoyable, effective fund-raiser, and other charitable fundraising activities are planned.
- 3.6 10 year anniversary party plans for 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025 are progressing well
- 3.7 ELHSCP grant funds have enabled the Moving Forward group to thrive, but members of this group have been keener on monthly outings than the 'Cooking for One' or 'Wellbeing Flower' activities envisaged. Funding for Lorna's 4hrs/month salary costs were for 1 year, until May 2025, so plans need to be made to cover this ongoing salary cost, in view of lack of alternative leadership arising from within group so far.
- 3.8 Winterfield Golf Club has offered to make DD CSG their 'Charity of the Year'. Lorna liaising about possible collaborations

**4 Financial update**

- 4.1 The management accounts had been circulated prior to the meeting.
- 4.2 The deficit is growing for the current year, and it was agreed that grant applications will now be submitted.
- A grant from DELAP, already awarded.
  - A grant from the Amos Trust....grant application form received.
  - A grant from Foundation Scotland ...application not yet started

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**5. Date of next Trustees Meeting : Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2025**

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