

Minutes of the DDN Trustees Meeting held on Thursday 22nd May 2025

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

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27th February 2025 were approved.

1 Matters arising -

- 1.1 The minutes are to be posted on the website

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- 1.2 Lorna was congratulated on organising a most successful 10 year anniversary for the Carers' Group which was greatly enjoyed by all attending in March.

2 Co-ordinator's report

- 2.1 The report had been circulated prior to the meeting.
- 2.2 Sadly, ill health and general deterioration of dementia-related conditions have continued to plague many of the long-standing members. Nevertheless, numbers attending meetings have stood up well.
- 2.3 There is currently no waiting list.
- 2.4 U3A meetings have provided several members with new stimulation but the meetings are also held on a Thursday and the absence of those attending the U3A has an impact on the dynamic of the group.
- 2.5 It was agreed that outings should continue whenever Lorna feels that they are appropriate for members.
- 2.6 Spanish Zoom lessons are proving to be popular.
- 2.7 The outing in April to the Royal Photographic exhibition at Holyrood Palace in April was a great success.
- 2.8 The formation of the Moving Forward Group has proved to be a great success and this group will be going to the National Portrait Gallery later on in May.

3 Financial update

- 3.1 The management accounts had been circulated prior to the meeting.
- 3.2 There was a discussion on the East Lothian Health & Social Care grant which has been used to secure the successful start-up of the Moving

Forward Group. It was agreed that this group is now an integral part of the charity and will be funded as part of the whole.

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| 3.3 | The statutory accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 were approved | |
| 3.4 | The kind support of Winterfield golf Club was acknowledged. DDN is its charity of the year. | |
| 3.5 | Suggested amendments to the Amos Trust grant application will be sent to Alasdair. This will then be submitted, together with an application to Foundation Scotland.
"Quotes" from Lorna's ELHSCP report will be included. | JM
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| 3.6 | Lorna's status with OSCR will be checked out | AS |
| 3.7 | Lorna's iPad has yet to be replaced. | LB |
| 4 | Any other business | |
| 4.1 | A longstanding volunteer has left us and Lorna was authorised to get a suitable parting gift. Alasdair will send her a letter from the trustees when armed with the details. | LB
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| 4.2 | It was noted that safeguarding and first aid refresher training courses are now due. | LB |
| 4.3 | Salary administration refresher course is also now due. | DH |
| 5 | Date of next meeting
81 Countess Road
Thursday 28 th August at 4.15 p.m. | |