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SAPALD OPEN MEETING

TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY 2020

KINLOCHCARE CENTRE CARNOUSTIE

14 present including Peter Burke Chair + 7 trustees, Councillors David Cheape, Sheila Hands, Beth Whiteside, Mark MacDonald. Alison Myles Angus Carers.

Welcome: Peter Burke welcomed members and councillors.

Apologies: Eve Muir, Councillor Brian Boyd, Ian Cummins Treasurer.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Sandra Taylor (ST) proposed, Eric McIntosh (ET) seconded.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer absent, Chair presented report. Balance £22285 , financial report on file.

Situation Update: There was a re-run of the accommodation survey. Secretary Caroline Petrie posted out copies to all members and included SAEs for replies . Alison Myles oversaw Angus Carers sending to 1300 users. Extremely disappointed and unhappy with the lack of response. This was to give statistics to AHSCP to show the need for supported accommodation. This was discussed with GBowie, figures are required, Julie Kernan AHSCP working on a ten year plan. All care managers to give a report on housing needs. Alison Myles stated deeper research required, this needed to avoid a crisis situation. GBowie : SAPALD needs to carry on it gives the carers voice. If the authorities don’t get the numbers required, won’t get funding for special housing.

The trustees had called a special meeting to discuss how or whether to carry on after such a response. Decided to remain a charity try and re-launch. Trustee Eric McIntosh had set up a new very good website and will be in charge of update. Trustee Elizabeth McGillivray is in charge of going live with a Facebook page. Treasurer Ian Cummins is designing a new flyer secretary Caroline Petrie getting quote for printing, Vice Chairman Derek Marshall will see to distribution. Peter Burke will handle media.

Co-op Fund & Tus Nua: DM gave an update on percussion instruments for outside Tus Nua's sensory garden. “ Percussion Play” will give cost, contract in final stages. SAPALD as a charity still has to own the instruments.

Transition Team: PB in the process of contacting. Children Services is fine, Adult Services not fine. Trying to get new members. Councillor MacDonald suggested contacting Welfare Rights and CAB, they could signpost to SAPALD.

Social Events: Halloween and Valentine’s discos are self funding and have been extremely successful. DM has been in charge of funding and booking with input from ST and CP. Funds raised from good raffles thanks to Trustee Pauline Smith.

Fundraising: Spar celebrating 100 year anniversary. SAPALD awarded £1000 a big thank you to Councillor Cheape . DM and PS collecting cheque. Not putting a huge focus on fundraising having a healthy balance. OSCR may ask why raising funds. For Carnoustie Charity Shop may be changing also.

Carers Strategy: A long time to come about. Alison Myles- this one is good, Angus now strong, supported with action plans. Passed at the IJB December 2019. Could be put on the website.

Valentine’s Disco: Friday 14th February booked at Legion. Raffle donations to Pauline Smith.

Q/A Comments: Still want SAPALD to be a pressure group. Chief Officer of IJB leaving.

AOCB: Future housing still extremely important. CP working on Emergency Planning stressing how important to get the authorities and all carers realising how important it is for a carer to have an Emergency Plan documented. It is an insurance can relieve worry. There are approximately 10,000 carers in Angus, government reckon there could be 19,000, Angus Carers has 1,300 registered. SW Locality has 47 ALD. SWLIG has Carer Wellbeing as a priority.

Date of next meeting 24th July 2020

Meeting closed 8.20