

LSC report to ASC

18/12/18

Sub-committee activities:

The LSC is responsible and accountable for all PI/H&I, Website and Outreach for Sussex Area of NA.

Positions Vacant: Vice Chair: Panel leaders (Secretaries): HMP Ford x 1 and HMP Lewes x 3 (these positions require vetting for clearance).

Alternate Secretary for Royal Sussex County Hospital on Tuesday evenings:

Minutes Secretary:

My position as Chair will come to an end in March 2019.

Would anyone interested in becoming involved with service at any level within this committee please come along to our next monthly meeting. (See details below)

Treasurers Opening Balance:

£400.00

Tea £17.38

HMP Ford: Meetings are ongoing, attendance lately has been between 2-4 attendees. All is good, they are happy with the way things are going.

In the New Year we will be taking a regular NA meeting into Ford Prison Chapel on Monday evenings. This meeting will be at 18.45 – 19.45. *Anyone willing to come and share here, please contact us.*

The DART team would like us to continue taking some Saturday morning meetings as well.

Between us, Neil P and I are covering the meetings over the next 3 Saturdays.

We are always looking for members to do shares.

HMP Lewes:

We have had some recent email exchanges and phone conversations with The Forward Trust (formerly RAPT) at Lewes Prison. We were recently invited to attend a meeting with them at Lewes Prison on Tuesday 4th December. Two of us went along as arranged. We had discussions and a Q&A session: Security procedures and protocols to be followed. Vetting/Gate passes, ID etc. * Shown where and when the meeting will take place.

Tuesdays 10-11am: M wing.

We also met with the staff and some inmates on the wing itself.

*HMP Lewes is a category B remand prison demanding different and stricter access than we currently experience at HMP Ford which is a category D

Vetting: Myself and another NA member are going to go forward for vetting. We need one more ideally. Interested? Come along to the committee meeting or contact us by email: lsc@sussexna.org

Langford Centre, Bexhill. We now only have monthly meetings. One Women's and one Men's

I was also unable to attend the men's meeting here last month for personal reasons. This month has also had to be postponed.

Recovery Lighthouse, Worthing. This Tuesday evening H&I meeting continues to thrive here and is well attended.

Brian B and Ronnie EH text us a short report each month. From what comes over is always very positive, with many of the clients attending NA meetings after completing their re-hab.

Stonepillow Hub, Chichester. No NA presence here since end of May. This could change for the new year, having recently been approached informally by someone close to this organisation. Let's wait and see how that unfolds.

William Collier House, Brighton. LSC involvement here is to be reduced to just providing NA leaflets and meeting lists. The committee agreed to purchase a small wall mounted literature rack, we will look for something suitable.

Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton. This Tuesday evening H&I commitment is going very well. Last week's meeting on the 11th December was cancelled: I informed them by email to that effect. There will be no meeting or service here on Christmas Day either.

Website: Report posted to Sussex NA website.

An outstanding invoice for £144.00 has been paid from funds specifically set aside for this.

We are experiencing a few minor issues which are being worked on right now.

NB: Please check the website for meetings that are NOT Running over the Christmas Holidays

Substance misuse in schools:

Many local Secondary Schools are becoming very aware of rising problematic substance misuse amongst students. Schools have been inviting parents along to "awareness" presentations. Currently needs further information to be gathered. The committee agreed to ask UHPI for some help with this.

Ongoing: Continue to seek out and contact drugs and homeless outreach services in Haywards Heath, Burgess Hill, Eastbourne, Hastings, Crawley etc. Not limited to just these towns either. This perhaps needs to also include Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath and the Conquest Hospital, Hastings. Poster campaigns.

At last area GSR Hastings meeting willing to look into approaching Conquest Hospital.

Meeting lists: RE-ordered and collected 500 meeting lists for distribution at this ASC.

Literature: We placed a small literature order directly with UKSO, invoice handed to Area Treasurer. £30.60

UK Committee schedules.

UKH&I: 1pm-4pm 1st Sunday every month, Gordon Hospital, Bloomberg Street, Pimlico, London. (1st Sunday of each month).

UKPI: 7pm, Henderson Rowe, Berkeley Square House, Berkeley Sq., W1J 6BR (1st Tuesday of every even month).

Friends Meeting House: They have been in touch with us regards booking the venue for 2019. We will commit to this before the end of this month.

Out of pocket expenses:

Colourfast: 500 meeting lists.	£50.00
Ford Prison meetings: 13/10: 3/11: 10/11: 24/11	£70.00
Ford Prison meetings: 27/10: 8/12	£49.06
Langford Centre Bexhill: 15/10	<u>£18.00</u>
Total	<u>£187.06</u>

Treasurers Closing Balance:

£212.94

Tea £17.38

Request for funds from Area **£187.06**

Our Next regular meeting: Tuesday 8th January 7pm, Friends Meeting House, Ship Street, Brighton BN1 1AF

We are always looking for support on this committee.

Informal interim meetings: Time and venue would be announced via Sussex website

Thank you for allowing everyone on the committee and all its volunteers to be of service.

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