LSC report to ASC 20/03/19

We met as a committee on 12/03/19.

Opening balance £400.00

Tea £17.66

HMP Ford: Meetings are ongoing, attendance lately has been between 4+ attendees. Last two weeks 7+ attended. All is good. NA meeting Ford Prison Chapel on Monday evenings? At present this is unlikely to happen unless we get another NA member to come forward for vetting. (I would be willing to take a meeting into the chapel twice a month say 1st and 3rd Mondays) The DART team would like us to continue taking Saturday morning meetings as well.

At last month's LSC it was agreed that we try and "reach out" to NA members from other areas to assist in running H&I meetings at HMP FORD etc. Any member from say Hampshire/Sussex border willing to take up this service (vetted) would need to agree to attend Sussex LSC to be voted in for the post and be required to make regular attendances here too.

I attended the UKH&I meeting in London (3rd March) and presented the request for help from areas close by and also from the UKH&I itself. Great response to all our needs. We are expecting to hear from many members with offers of assistance. We will keep you all up to date. (see below)

HMP Lewes:

Since our initial contact with The Forward Trust (formerly RAPT) at Lewes Prison on the 4th December 2018.

Things have been slowly moving forward. In order to enable an NA meeting on M wing in HMP Lewes, at least two NA members need to be security vetted and cleared. Then they will need to attend a "Keys Training Course" at the establishment.

<u>Latest UPDATE:</u> My completed vetting application has been approved and am now security cleared to Enhanced Level 1. Paul R has now completed and submitted his vetting application. Awaiting the response from SSCL for the outcome. (we will know within the next few days)

NB: It would be very helpful to have at least one other NA member security cleared as well.

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

Langford Centre, Bexhill. We now only have one monthly meeting. A combined Women's and Men's meeting. Babs T is the panel leader/secretary. The last meeting was scheduled for 18th February, then every four weeks after. So next meeting will be 18th March.

Recovery Lighthouse, Worthing. This Tuesday evening H&I meeting continues to thrive and is well attended. Lighthouse purchase NA literature directly from the Service Office. Their clients really benefit from this H&I meeting, and many regularly attend meetings after completing treatment.

We have received a report from Brian B.

Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton. This Tuesday evening H&I commitment is going very well. This week the meeting has been cancelled: I have informed them by email to that effect. We do need to find an alternate secretary/panel leader for this commitment.

In the absence of regular weekly support for this service. **Suggestion**: To maintain an effective NA presence at the RSCH. We could consider changing to every other week(fortnightly)?

The committee discussed and agreed to reduce our attendance (short term) to just twice a month: going in on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month.

We also discussed taken a PI presentation (informal) to the nursing staff. Perhaps just setting up a table in the staff canteen from time to time? We will contact Jo Bisp to see if that would be possible.

Website: Please see separate website report: This will also be posted to the Sussex NA website

There are some website expenses presented: **7 months hosting at £7.65 per month**Consultancy/development fees

Total

£53.55

£48.00

Invoice presented to Area treasurer

Ongoing: Might be a good time to have a look at poster campaigning again, it's coming up for a year since last undertaken.

Meeting lists: The meeting lists are being updated and will be available later this week (apologies).

Cost of 1000 meeting lists will be £70.00 the invoice for which will paid on collection and billed next months LSC.

Every effort will be made to get the new lists out to Sussex meetings in the meantime, or you can collect them at next month's ASC. If you are really desperate, they can be posted out, apply through webservant@sussexna.org

Literature: Any panel leader/Secretary requiring literature should contact Mark K.

Literature for LSC commitments ordered directly from UKSO: Invoice passed to Area treasurer £326.35

UKH&I meeting: **I attended this committee on the 3rd March. I gave a copy of our ASC report from last month. Took the opportunity to share our thoughts about reaching out, (loads of help available). Other H&I area chairs wanted to know more about what we do at the RSCH, I gave a brief explanation of how this service works. Initial contact with NHS, building relationships with ward staff and meeting and talking with patients etc. Also emphasised the need for both men and women taking this service together.

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: Invoice for our booking may be due.

Out of pocket expenses:

Neil P, HMP Ford

12/01/19, 19/01/19 £47.52p

Steve L, HMP Ford Saturday 16/02/2019

23/02/19, 02/03/19, 09/03/19 £80.00p

LSC attendance Ronnie EH £10.00p

(parking etc)

Total: <u>£137.52p</u>

Closing Balance: £262.48p Tea: £25.85

Request for funds from Area £137.52

Our Next regular meeting: Tuesday 9th April, 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 us all to be of service.

Steve L

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In addition: The 1.30pm Friday meeting at Pavilions. This meeting has been struggling to fulfil service commitments. As a result, it was suggested to bring it back under the H&I umbrella. We discussed and agreed this would solve the current issue and still provide a service to those seeking recovery.

With this in mind the new meetings list will no longer show the Pavilion meeting.