



Local Service Committee Meeting
Tuesday 12th August 2025 6pm

Zoom Id - 832 7042 4390 password – 096 544 **Meeting was online only this month due to venue being closed for the holidays**

Steve, LSC Chair welcomed us to the meeting.

Moment of Silence to remember the still suffering addict both inside and outside the rooms.
Jill read the 12 Concepts.

In attendance:

Jill – LSC Vice-Chair
Nicky R.
Louise A. – Treasurer/Current holder of Literature
Lucy – Poster Coordinator
Steve L. – LSC Chair/Co Panel leader Recovery Project
Kat M - Co Panel leader Recovery Project & stand-in minutes sec.
Sam
Sallyanne K.- Panel Leader Bowerman House

Visitors:

Peter K
Mark K

Apologies:

Brian DG.
Aaron – Co-Panel Leader Lighthouse
Brian B – Temporary Co-Panel Leader Lighthouse

Tyler – LSC Minutes Secretary / Co panel leader Recovery Project
Chrissy – Tea Person

Approval of last month's minutes Last month's minutes proposed, seconded and approved.

Fully Quorate but SL suggested that as this meeting is online only, any decisions made can be revisited in AOB next month.

Nominations

Treasurer's opening balance £500

Positions Vacant

LSC Vice Treasurer – 3-years clean time
LSC Vice Chairperson – 4 years clean time
LSC Minutes Secretary (from October) – 2 years clean time
LSC Vice Minutes Secretary – 1-year clean time
LSC Literature Secretary – 2 years clean time (requires transport & space for storage)
LSC Vice Literature Secretary – 1-years clean time
LSC Presentations Co-ordinator – 3 years clean time
LSC Vice Presentation Co-ordinator – 2 years clean time
Panel leaders x 2 HMH Prison Ford 4-years clean time
Panel leaders x 2 HMH Prison Lewes 4-years clean time
Co-Panel leader Lighthouse - 2-year clean time
Zoom Tech Support –ideally 2-years clean time but tech savvy please.

Nicky suggested that GSRs present the NA-related announcements, including service positions vacant, at the beginning of meetings rather than at the end, when people seem to glaze over!

Nominations:

JG confirmed that LA had been ratified at ASC as LSC Treasurer

Service Reports

Bowerman House: Sallyanne reported that the meeting will be starting back up on Thurs 04 September.

Recovery Project: Kat/Steve L/Tyler. Kat reported that the meeting continues to be well-received by the residents and it remains very rewarding service.

SL took responsibility (as LSC chair) for our recent accidental non-attendance one Wednesday. Reminders will now be issued to ensure this doesn't happen again.

Lighthouse: Aaron A/ Brian B. Brian reported that there were 8 in the group this week and 11 two weeks ago. Friendly, enquiring clients who were engaged and sharing, with questions asked. Request for more JFT and 30-day keyrings (LA conf she has already sent them). Aaron reported that meetings are well-attended, 10-15 clients. Always welcomed by staff & clients. An NA member shares ESH. Lots of questions asked and always good feedback.

Brighton Pride: Further time is needed to discuss Pride which was on Sat 02 Aug. It has been added to AOB for our next meeting on 09 Sept.

Literature: Louise has ordered more "Am I An Addict?" leaflets and keyrings. 2 basic texts were given to one of the people who did service at Pride.

We desperately need a new Literature Secretary and a new home for Literature storage / transportation.

LSC Presentation Coordinator:

Poster Coordinator: Lucy requested posters. She is in the process of dividing up the Sussex area into smaller parts to make co-ordinating poster runs more manageable.

AOB:

Millview: Kat has emailed Ian H at Millview again as no response to her previous email. Need to discuss logistics (especially safety). Nicky suggested that staff could bring the more stable patients to a room outside of the wards for our meeting.

Shore House: Kat has been in touch with Jim the manager of BHT Shore House. Decided to do our presentation on Thurs 09 Oct. We need 3 people to do this presentation – one to present the Myths & Realities, the other two to do 10 minute ESH chairs. The remainder of the 1 hour session can be opened up to questions from the staff & clients. Ash, Rachel & Nicky volunteered.

RSCH: Two NA members with extensive experience have managed to make contact with the SMS service within the hospital. We are therefore exploring the logistics of us going back in to do our ward rounds, as we did before Covid. Steve L and Mark both pointed out that this can be quite draining and even upsetting service, so members wishing to participate must be carefully selected. Steve L will contact the two members concerned.

LSC H&I Prison Service: Lewes Prison has recently taken a delivery of NA literature & has requested more. We are asking UKH&I to supply prison sponsorship forms and request cards for Basic Texts. We are in the process of setting up a presentation to the SMS within the prison. This will require 4 members who can gain entry to the prison via a gate pass.

LSC Guidelines: The proposed guidelines have been made available to GSRs to look at and to take to their groups.

YMCA Portslade: We have had a request from the YMCA in Portslade to provide a meeting for their residents. We will need to do a risk assessment.

LSC Hampshire: We are inviting members of Hampshire ASC, H&I and PI to attend one of our LSC committee meetings to find out how it works, following a request from their RSC.

LSC Chairperson: Steve L will step down as LSC Chairperson in September 2025. Jill will step into LSC Chairperson position, subject to approval by this committee and successful ratification by the ASC. The LSC vice-Chair position will be available from September (clean time requirement 4 years).

LSC website facilities: Please could we all use these tools. If anything needs to be added please bring that to the next meeting.

A/W 2025 Meetings lists: Reprint to be announced in August ASC. GSRs need to inform the Webservant of any changes.

Expenses: £245.49

Closing balance: £254.51

Request for funds from Area: £245.49

Meeting closed using the Serenity Prayer.

Next Meeting: *Next LSC committee meeting Tuesday 09 September 2025 at 6pm.*

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