

RM 16/08/2014 COMPANIES HOUSE

### WEST LONDON CENTRE FOR COUNSELLING

## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING ON TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014

Directors/Trustees: John Nuttall (JN) Chair, Kiran Rehinsi (KR), Digby Howard (DH), Verna Lyus (VL), Alis Yurddas (AY) and John Barrett (JNB) Company Secretary Centre Director and Principal Counsellor Rob Bell-Cross (RBC)

Apologies Brendan Tarring (BT)

#### **WLCC Revised Objects**

#### Background

In 2009, the then WLCC Trustees decided to change the Memoranda and Articles of the WLCC organisation, to bring in line with the actual work of the charity. This work was carried out by Hogan Lovells, who then sent the updated M & A to Companies House, but did not inform the Charity Commission. This was picked by the auditors, and since then there has been a long drawn out process of changing the charitable objects to the ones defined in 2009. The Charity Commission has now offered revised Objects for the Board to consider. BT congratulated RBC on getting to the nub of the issue and achieving a resolution.

At the 18<sup>th</sup> February meeting, there was a Board resolution to adopt the revised Objects which was passed with 4 in favour and 1 against. The only rider on the wording was that the word 'West' be removed from the first Object, so it reads London instead of West London.

The Objects were read out to the Board members, especially the new members,

- 1) To promote and protect the health of a person suffering from a mental health illness in the Community of Hammersmith and Fulham and other areas of London as appropriate through the provision of counselling and psychotherapy
- 2) To advance the education of the public on the subject of counselling and psychotherapy through the provision of education and training of counsellors on placement at the West London Centre for Counselling
- 3) To advance the education of the public in the subject of counselling and psychotherapy

After discussion, these revised Objects were proposed by KR and seconded by AY. All voted in favour.

#### Election of Trustees

Following the 2012 AGM, the two Trustees who were due to be re-elected on rotation were Kiran Rehinsi and Becky Diacono. Becky had now retired Kiran indicated her willingness to stand and was proposed by JN and seconded by DH. The Board voted *nem con* Kiran Rehinsi was therefore elected as a Trustee for three years.

The Chair proposed that the new directors/trustees should be formally elected at this General Meeting. AY was proposed by JN and seconded by KR. VL was proposed by JNB and seconded by DH. All agreed.

# Date for the diary:

THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING IN 2014: - 30<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at 8pm

The meeting closed at 8.30pm