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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the first **Annual General Meeting** of The Voluntary Organisations Disability Group (VODG) will be held at the Copthorne Tara Hotel, Scarsdale Place, Kensington, London W8 5SR at 2.00pm on Friday 19th September 2008 to consider and, if thought fit, pass the following ordinary resolutions 1 to 3 and special resolution 4:

1. To ratify the appointment of the following individuals as Directors:
 - William Mumford, MacIntyre; Chair from 01.09.08
 - Mary Bishop, Livability; Vice Chair from 01.09.08
 - Graham Faulkner, National Society for Epilepsy; Vice Chair from 01.09.08
 - Brian Perowne, HFT; Treasurer from 01.09.08
 - Lucy Hurst-Brown, Brandon Trust; Trustee without portfolio from 01/09.08;
 - And; John Adams, as **Company Secretary** from March 2008
2. To receive the draft Accounts for the year ended March 31st 2008.
3. To reappoint Gotham Erskine as the VODG's Accountants.
4. To approve changes to the Memorandum of Association.]

By Order of the Board.

John Adams
Company Secretary

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VODG AGM 2008

September 19th 2008: Held at the Copthorne Tara Hotel, Kensington London.

14:15

Chair: Bill Mumford

Minutes: Samuel Thomas

Present: Graham Faulkner; Brian Perowne; Mary Bishop; Lucy Hurst-Brown; Mike Adamson; Neil Taggart; Norma Brier; David Ford; Patrick Wallace; James Connolly; Gordon Boxall; David Scott-Ralphs; Graham Brittain; David Buxton;

1. The new board (as below) was introduced and the election results ratified by members present:

- William Mumford, MacIntyre; Chair from 01.09.08
- Mary Bishop, Livability; Vice Chair from 01.09.08
- Graham Faulkner, National Society for Epilepsy; Vice Chair from 01.09.08
- Brian Perowne, HFT; Treasurer from 01.09.08
- Lucy Hurst-Brown, Brandon Trust; Trustee without portfolio from 01.09.08
- John Adams appointment as VODG Company Secretary from March 2008 was also ratified

2. Revised Charitable Objects expected to suit registration requirements of the Charity Commission were introduced and accepted nemine contradicente.

3. Brian Perowne introduced accounts for year ended 31 March 2008 and noted that these were not accounts of the new corporate body, but gave an indication of the financial state of the VODG. It was noted that there were two income streams. These consisted of fees, which had not been increased for 4 years, amounting to £65k. BLF funding, which was noted as terminating in September 2009, amounted to £79k. It was noted that new funding will need to be introduced in order to retain current staffing levels and operational capacity. It was noted that currently there was a projected surplus of £67k for the current financial year, resulting in reserves of £80k. In order to continue current work, a fee increase of 5% was proposed, and it was noted that there would be a request for details of current contractual income. This was agreed nemine contradicente.

4. It was agreed to reappoint Gotham Erskine as the VODG's Accountants

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Agenda Item 4

Special Resolution: On the advice of the Charity Commission to approve changes to the Memorandum of Association as follows: To alter the Objects of the Company

1. Current wording:

3.1 The objects of the Company (the "Objects") are:-

- (a) To promote the welfare of disabled people;
- (b) To promote the independence of disabled people who are receiving or may require social care services and/or other support;
- (c) To advance the education of the public in relation to the provision and financing of social care services and/or other support for disabled people by voluntary and charitable providers;
- (d) To promote the efficiency and effectiveness of the provision of social care and/or other support services for disabled people by voluntary and charitable providers;
- (e) To support its member organisations in carrying out the above activities.

2. Proposed wording:

3.1 The objects of the Company (the "Objects") are:-

To promote for the public benefit voluntary sector providers of social care support services to disabled people in particular but not exclusively by:

- (a) liaising between charities, voluntary organisations, government agencies and other groups on relevant issues;
- (b) educating and undertaking research in relation to the provision and financing of social care services and/or other support for disabled people by voluntary and charitable providers;
- (c) identifying needs in the voluntary sector and establishing projects or policies to address them;
- (d) acting as a representative of the voluntary sector in relation to government policies and legislation;
- (e) providing advice and information to promote the efficiency and effectiveness of the provision of social care and/or other support services for disabled people by voluntary and charitable providers;

With a view to promoting the independence of disabled people who are receiving or who may require social care services and/or other support.

'The Voluntary Sector' means charities and voluntary organisations.

- Charities are organisations, which are established for exclusively charitable purposes in accordance with the law of England and Wales.
- Voluntary organisations are independent organisations, which are established for purposes that add value to the community as a whole, or a significant section of the community, and which are not permitted by their constitution to make a profit for private distribution. Voluntary organisations do not include local government or other statutory authorities.