

MINUTES OF THE NORTH LONDON LETS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on Saturday February 11 2007 at 1b Waterlow Road, N19.

PRESENT: Woody (Chair), Sue (Secretary), Elizabeth (Treasurer), Helen (Office co-ordinator), Andy, Nelsy, Precious, Mary H, Rebecca, Henu, Mary F, Mamta, Suki, Martine. **APOLOGIES:** Joan, Sue L, Ruth G, Judith H.

1. **MINUTES** of the AGM held on February 25 2006 were approved.

2. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Woody Bronson reported that

- NLETS had participated in the **London Sustainable Weeks** programme and in the **Camden Green Fair** in June. A banner had been made and used at the Green Fair, thanks to Henu.

- We produced **directories** in May and November and email addresses are now included.

- **Management Group meetings** were held every two months.

- **Introductory meetings** were also held regularly.

- **Trading days** combined with socials were held in April, July and December.

- A **Volunteers Day** was also held.

- The **Cafe** re-opened in February 06 on two days per week and has now recovered the cash float advanced. Thanks were recorded to Alex for delicious food served at the cafe and also meals provided to members attending meetings. (Agreed to look at the cafe accounts at the next meeting.)

- Woody reported that despite our policy that members should not build up a **pledge commitment over 500 pledges** this problem was not yet resolved.

- **Suki's work at social evenings** including cooking was also much appreciated.

- **The team which produced the directory and office team under Helen's leadership** were also thanked for their hard work during the year. (Helen had registered her desire to hand over the office co-ordinator's role after inducting the new person.)

- Alan Newman's work in co-ordinating **Worker's Beer Company volunteers at festivals** in aid of NLETS was also much appreciated, as our main source of income.

The Chair appealed for volunteers at this year's festivals and Andy, who regularly takes part, described how it works.

- Elizabeth represented us at a **Centre Development Group meeting** in November (of tenants and Ethical Property Company landlord of our office building) and will continue to represent us at these quarterly meetings.

- The Chair expressed his **plans for the coming year** including a) putting NLETS on line with the potential to expand NLETS substantially. b) taking part again in London Sustainable Weeks. (Mary will inform the Management Group of the date of the planning meeting in March) c) Deal with the issue of members in commitment over 500 pledges.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Elizabeth presented the **financial statement** for the year ending November 30 2006 together with her written comments. The year ended with a net increase in funds over the previous year and healthy balance of £4,553.96. She also tabled a comparison between the past and previous financial years and pie charts showing sources of income. She noted that unlike last year the the highest source was income from our work with Workers, Beer Company at £1,156.40 and the second was membership renewals at £885.00. The rent went up slightly. Thanks were given to members who used the **Phone Co-op** whose commissions totalled £322.57. Members thanked the Treasurer for her work. The statement of accounts was adopted.

4. OFFICE REPORT

Helen tabled her written report for members, information.

5. ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT GROUP

The following members were elected:

Chair: Woody (15 for, none against, 1 abstention.)

Vice-Chair: Henu (15 for, none against, no abstentions)

Treasurer: Elizabeth K (16 for, none against, no abstentions).

Members of Management Group. The following were appointed en bloc: (16 for, none against, no abstentions): Woody, Elizabeth, MaryH, Rebecca, Sue, Henu, Precious, MaryF, Mamta, Milca,.

Noted that pledges were being credited to members and expenses can be claimed for attendance at Management Group meetings.

6. Dates in 2007

The following were announced:

Thursday 15 March at 6.30pm - Management Group Meeting.

Holistic Fair -- Saturday 17 March (pm.)

Thursday 10 May at 6.30pm - Management Group Meeting.

(End of May new directory to come out)

Trading Day/Social - Saturday 09 June

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