**Annual General Meeting – Changing Futures North East**

**25th October 2017 – Gus Robinson Development Limited, West View Road, Hartlepool**

The meeting opened at 5.15 pm

1. **Attendance**

**Present :** Jeanette Henderson, Tony Jackson, Sheila Statter, Jonathon Townsend, Alison Croymans, David Jeffery, Graham Alton, Martin Todd, Joanne Hay

**Apologies:** Gillian Walker

**Absent:** Ged Hall

1. **Minutes**

The minutes of the last AGM held on 27th July 2016 were proposed as a true record of the proceedings by JH, seconded by MT and were accepted by the meeting.

1. **Annual Accounts & 4 Annual Report**

GA briefly outlined the key points of the annual reports in particular how the funding mix has changed with less revenue coming from Local Government and more from Trusts and Foundations. Some of this has been driven but some is related to their being less funding available through Local and Central government. Additionally, how we have managed to bolster the team with some significant expertise coming into the Healthy relationship Project. The annual report also talks about how we are trying to make the organisation more sustainable through none traditional revenue streams however more work is needed to get where we want to be.

A change was suggested to the wording on page 2 to change ‘relationships matter’ to just relationships.

The rest of the report speaks about the progress of the aims and objectives, most of which we have achieved and goes on to highlight additional objectives for 2017/2018 being essentially focusing on the systems change work through Healthy Relationship Work, workforce development and reviewing the strategy in view of changing business environment.

DJ queried the reduction in income from 15/16 to 16/17 – this was because both part of Moving On and EANF were included in that year

It was agreed that the Directors should have a further week to review the accounts and report if they have any other queries given the lateness of the Accounts in the Dropbox

1. **Retirement and Election of Directors**

GW, AC and JH were retired by rotation,

GW was proposed for re-election by JH, seconded by SS and accepted by the meeting

JH was proposed for re-election by TJ, seconded by SS and accepted by the meeting

AC was proposed for re-election by JT, seconded by and accepted by the meeting

JT was proposed as a new Director by TJ, seconded by SS and accepted by the meeting

1. **Appointment and remuneration of auditors**

DJ queried how we found the new auditors – it was felt that they were very thorough by checking through information and asking plenty of questions. JH was concerned at the lateness of the receiving the accounts however GA explained that the hold-up was due to them receiving the Annual Report late. It was agreed that we were happy to stay with the current auditors.

1. **Special Resolution –** It was agreed that we should extend the area of benefit to enable us to bid for tenders which may include an element of scaling up or disseminating learning across the UK.
2. **Any other business**

GW has requested that she steps down as Chair for 1 year due to family circumstances, AC will act as Temporary Chair and JH will continue as Vice Chair