# Meeting: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2015 4.30 – 6.00 Fairfield House, Conference Room 1



## 1. Present

Caroline Crozier, Sandy Florence (Chair), Evgenia Kochkina, George Maben, Jan Irvine, Fiona Wallace

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## 2. In Attendance

Paul Johnson, Bryan Pottinger, Caroline Rodger & Christine Schaffer

# 3. Apologies

Erin Cuthbertson, Michael Davidson, David Ledner, Nila Joshi, Mizan Rahman, Mags Bryan, Rona Duncan, Annika



# 4. **Previous Minutes** (March)

Minutes for the March meeting are unavailable and therefore Councillor Pottinger updated the group on that meeting.

- Erin had been developing membership & calendar of events.
- The Human Library (an element of LGBT Youth's 'Wear Purple Day', in February) had been a very successful event.
- A MELA sub-committee has been formed. Group are still looking for a venue (in September)

# 5. <u>Annual General Meeting</u>

- Venue Paul Will investigate
- **Programme** Suggestion that we could have a performance from a Drama Group. Councillor Pottinger is going to investigate
- **Agenda items** Will be finalised by group members at next meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> May.
- Membership Nominations Agreed that we would create a list the meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>.
   This list for the committee would be voted upon at the public meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> May.

  Board will be elected at the first meeting after the AGM.
- Annual Report Paul has completed another draft of the document and asked group for feedback. Group agreed that a there would be a section to report on Fiona's Commonwealth games experience and David's experience at the LGBT 'Human Library' event. Paul will get colleague to examine Annual Accounts and certified in time for the AGM. Paul will bring copies to next meeting.

### 6. A.O.C.B.

- Police Scotland call centre in Loanhead. Jan raised concerns re the length of time it is taking for Police Scotland to answer calls. Suggested that a letter be written on behalf of the group.
- Councillor Pottinger gave apologies in advance. The General Election in on May 7<sup>th</sup> and therefore he will be busy.

### 7. Date & Time of Next Meeting(s)

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- 7<sup>th</sup> May, Fairfield House, Conference Room 1, 4.30 6.00pm 21<sup>st</sup> May, AGM, Dalkeith Arts Centre, (sometime between 4.00 7.30)

