

Minutes of SI Cockermouth Business Meeting 6th October 2022

Present: J Spencer (Chairperson), J Markwell, LEdmiston, C.Blake, H.Potts, B.Williams, J McColloch D.Bertram, R.Earthy, A.Winkworth, J.Shaw, T.Burgess.

Apologies: M Dewis; H Lord; H Tinnion; J Hetherington; S Mendes; K Shankland; D McCracken; K Kimberlee Smith; T Juurmaa

Welfare Judith gave details of Martha's situation. She is receiving good support from her family and from Newcastle Soroptimists. She is pleased to have visitors and cards but can only have two visitors in a day so if intending to visit one should ring first. She doesn't know when or where she may be moved to.

Programme Action

Money for Ukraine at present in our bank. It was felt that we should pay it out. After some discussion it was decided the most likely option is to do as Soroptimists in the North East are doing and pay it directly to Soroptimists in Ukraine. **Doreen will ask the regional secretary to give us contact details.**

Trees: Lindsay has visited and they are growing well. We will go over in March and do whatever weeding is required.

An enquiry about grab bags has been passed to WOW.

The Purple Community Fund is asking for donations. However we still have a box to fill and depending on what they want the money for we may decide to fill the box rather than make a donation. **To be discussed at the next meeting.**

The Sixteen Days of action starts on 25th November. It was decided to use Firms window for a display to include soft toys wearing orange scarves. (Ros will collect orange material) it would be good to have pictures of statues such as the one in Turkey that Claire sent a photo of. Could we find sixteen?

Bras for Africa: Hospice in Keswick are a collection point. **More details required**

Club Officers for 2023 Nominations for Club President, Vice President and treasurer have been received. Club members are asked to consider taking officer roles.

Fund raising: Hazel explained about a Pie, Pea and Pud evening at St Joseph's Hall 18th November 7:30 pm £10 bring your own drink. There will be a quiz and volunteers to bring puds have been obtained.

Regional Meeting: Doreen gave a report on our Purple Fund project. Penrith got a special award for their garden. We will ask them to repeat their presentation to us. Help with the regional web-site was requested.

Various teas, dinners and Conventions were mentioned and a request too fill in the regional survey. These have been emailed out - if anyone would like to attend please let Lindsay know. They are listed in the calendar of events below.

Comms and Web-site: no change at present.

Development Plan: Ros will attend the planning meeting and up-date the records.

Friendship link: review in Spring.

Carlisle has invited us to a meeting for idea sharing but we are not keen on driving there in Winter. Reconsider when the nights are light again.

Several possible speakers were discussed and can be considered at the November planning meeting. Our next speaker is Kim Kimberlee-Smith on keeping warm.

Next Business meeting 3rd November – Doreen to chair

July			
4	Planning Meeting- Barbara's		
7	Business - Joan Hetherington	21	Bassenthwaite Walk - Sue Mendes
September			
1	Business-Joan Markwell	15	Charter Meal- please let Doreen know if you can attend and pay by 01/09/22
24	Regional Council Meeting/AGM		
October			
6	Business-Judith Spencer	20	Kim- Cumbria Action for Sustainability - Climate Action
15	SI South Shields and District 75th Charter Celebrations		
27-29 Oct	SIGBI Belfast Conference		

November			
3	Business-Doreen Bertram	17	Suicide Matters- Kim to identify speaker
12	SI Newcastle upon - Tyne 85th Charter Celebratory Lunch	18	Pie Pea and Pud Quizz night, St Josephs Church Hall £10
12	UKPAC meeting in Solihill		
26	Regional Council Meeting		
28	Planning		
December			
1	Christmas Party		

Club meetings; [Regional Meetings](#); [SIGBI Events](#)

Organisation	Website	Member's area log in details
SI Cockermouth and District (Club)	https://sigbi.org/cockermouth/	https://sigbi.org/cockermouth/members-area/ Password: Veeva
SI Northern England (Region)	https://sigbi.org/northern-england/	https://sigbi.org/northern-england/members-area/ Password: sine999
SIGBI website (National)	https://sigbi.org/	https://sigbi.org/members/ Username: Surname Password: membership number
Soroptimist International (International)	https://www.soroptimistinternational.org/	