



Minutes of the Leicester-Gondar Executive Group Meeting held on 15th July 2019, 5pm

Attendees: Heather Dipple (Chair), Nick Brown, Elaine Carter, Peter Houtman, Christine Iliffe, Mike Silverman, Geoff Woodruff, Steve Hardy, Kathy Astbury

1. **Apologies:** Jack Hunter, Dan Rogers, Sandra Kemp, Jan Moore, Richard Power, Laurence Wicks, Robyne McCarthy, Pat Heslop-Harrison, Louise Ballard
2. **Minutes from the meeting held 21st March 2019** were agreed as a true record
3. **Matters Arising: Grant Updates -**
 - Nothing to report
4. **Administration:**
 - Future LGL Executive meetings.

The LGL Administration role is ending 29/8/19. HALE Trustees have agreed to pay for continued support on reduced hours. The Trustees will continue to meet for charity reporting purposes.

LGL Executive members agreed to reduce their meetings from quarterly to 6 monthly. Suggested re-name of LGL Open Meeting.

ACTION – Heather to communicate LGL changes to members

ACTION – Heather to set up a LGL WhatsApp group, initially for UK members only

ACTION – Members to provide their mobile numbers if they would like to be included in the LGL WhatsApp group

5. Project Updates: 21st March 2019 – 15th July 2019

ACTION - Members are asked to confirm which projects are currently 'Active'

- Play Project - Gondar (Elaine Carter/Louise Ballard)

Nothing more to report since last meeting.

- HIV Mother to Child (Christine Iliffe)

Awaiting availability of final 10% of data collected during this 2 year project. 75% of pregnant ladies are now delivering their babies in the Health Centres/Hospital. 608 of those ladies are first pregnancies who will hopefully return to a Health Centre/Hospital in the future and will encourage other mothers to attend.

ACTION – Explore publication opportunities of the HIV Mother to Child project

- LGOP / Orthopaedic Operating Room, Gondar & Trauma Management (Richard Power/Laurence Wicks)

Project Reporting Form attached

- Mental Health (Heather Dipple/Lynn Wroe)

The Mental Health community vehicle is in Addis. A speed limit enforcer is being fitted.

- Ophthalmology (Geoff Woodruff)

Visited Gondar in March 2018, spent 1 week with Dr Teshager. Participated in the International Council of Ophthalmology exams teaching course in Addis.

Visited Jimma in September 2018 with Shery Thomas and met Jimma Link colleagues (Nottingham University Hospitals).

Working on a cataract survey for the whole of Ethiopia.

ACTION – Geoff to advise details of new Ophthalmology contact in Gondar

6. Visits to Gondar

- HIVMTC – Christine Iliffe – 11th – 24th May 2019
- LGOP – Richard Power – October/November - TBC
- Ethiopian Airlines ticket, London-Addis-London – Donated by the Play Project, available for flights 14th September – 6th December 2019

7. Fundraising Plans & Events: Health Action Leicester for Ethiopia (HALE) -

- London Marathon 2019 – Sunday 28th April 2019 - Helen Tunnicliffe - £1890 raised for HALE.
- Charity Meal – Wednesday 26th June 2019 - Kathy Astbury - £1300 raised for HALE
- Jazz in the Garden – 14th July 2019 – David Mills - £800 raised for HALE
- Great North Run 2019 – Sunday 8th September 2019. 5 runner places awarded (2 x MH, 3 x HALE).

8. Finance Report:

HALE/LGL Unrestricted fund currently stands at £11,265.

ACTION – CTP project (Dan Rogers) account balance £1,287.99. Last activity 30/6/16. Is this project still 'live'?

9. Any Other Business:

- Thank you to members who use, and reminder to other members, of the online shopping fundraising avenues available to HALE – www.smileamazon.co.uk, www.easyfundraising.org.uk and www.giveasyoulive.com.

10. Date of Next Meeting: November 2019 - TBC