



**Minutes of Annual General Meeting on 19 June 2014 - DRAFT**

3.45 pm at CCLA, Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4ET

**Present:** representing member organisations

Kerry	Luker	BBC Children in Need
Dawn	Austwick	Big Lottery Fund
Chris	Butcher	Big Lottery Fund
Sacha	Rose-Smith	Big Lottery Fund
Rohan	Martyres	CAN
Kirstin	Ross	CAN
Bruce	Crawford	CCLA Investment Management Ltd
Jaishree	Mistry	Charity Bank
David	Farnsworth	City Bridge Trust
Jemma	Grieve	City Bridge Trust
Ashley	Horsey	Commonweal Housing
Kristina	Glenn	Cripplegate Foundation
Aditi	Thorat	Impetus - The Private Equity Foundation
Erik	Mesel	John Lyon's Charity
Diana	Spiegelberg	Kensington And Chelsea Foundation
Debbie	Ladds	Local Trust
Monica	Needs	London Borough of Barking and Dagenham
Adam	Driscoll	London Borough of Barnet
Kiran	Patel	London Borough of Camden
Ann	Wynne	London Borough of Camden
Kevin	McKenna	London Borough of Croydon
Malcolm	John	London Borough of Harrow
Joanna	Eve	London Borough of Islington
Rakhia	Ismail	London Borough of Islington
Winston	Castello	London Borough of Lewisham
Amanda	Roberts	London Borough of Merton
Bonnie	Royal	London Borough of Southwark
Victoria	Lawson	London Borough of Sutton
Victor	Willmott	London Catalyst
Sonal	Shah	London Community Foundation
Simon	Courage	London Councils
Matthew	Patten	Mayor's Fund For London
Andy	Gregg	Metropolitan Migration Foundation
Jonathan	Sandall	Peabody
John	Griffiths	Rocket Science
Richard	Foley	Sir John Cass's Foundation
Bharat	Mehta	Trust for London
Eryl	Foulkes	Tudor Trust
Matthew	Allgood	United St Saviour's Charity
Brian	Wheelwright	Wates Family Charities
Angela	Linton	Youth Music
Carol	Reid	Youth Music

**Present:** representing associate members

Mo	Houlden	Cranfield Trust
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Helen	Stack	CSV
Angela	Richardson	CSV
Caroline	Diehl	Media Trust
Babu	Bhattacharjee	Poplar HARCA
Ana Mae	Contreras- Ramirez	Poplar HARCA
Rebecca	Cheshire	Safer London Foundation
Simon	Beyer	Thomas Pocklington Trust

**Other guests**

Stephen	Hart	Buzzacott
Liz	Meek	Centre For London
Ben	Rogers	Centre For London
Elizabeth	Prescott	Imperial College Healthcare Charity
Diane	Spiegelberg	Kensington And Chelsea Foundation
Bob	Nightingale	London Legal Support Trust
Jim	Minton	London Youth
Lisa	Greensill	LVSC
Heather	Bush	Museum Of London
Sharon	Long	Partnership For Young London/ Children England
Miriam	Furze	Project Oracle
Georgie	Parry-Crooke	Project Oracle
Michelle	Gillan	Save the Children
Anita	Pathak	Save the Children
Annie	Wilson	Save the Children
Linda	Butcher	Sheila McKechnie Foundation
Shane	Ryan	Working With Men
Heather	Petch, OBE	

**Staff team in attendance**

London Funders Secretariat: David Warner, Becky Green

**1 Apologies for absence** were received from

Craig Tomlinson, BBC Children in Need  
Wai Chan, Centre For Accessible Environments  
Crispin Truman, Churches Conservation Trust  
Cheryl Chapman, City Philanthropy  
David White, Hampton Fuel Allotment Charity  
Richard Horsnell, Help A Capital Child  
Joanna Keefe, Hilton in The Community Foundation  
Jenny North, Impetus - The Private Equity Foundation  
Alice Wallace, London Borough of Camden  
Claire Thompson, London Borough of Havering  
Rachel Heywood, London Borough of Lambeth  
Obajimi Adefiranye, London Borough of Lewisham  
Liz Dart, London Borough of Lewisham  
Stephen Collins, London Borough of Newham  
Andrew O'Brien, NCVO  
Rob Abercrombie, New Philanthropy Capital  
Kate Long, Peabody  
Stephen Cox, Peter Cruddas Foundation

Tanzeem Ahmed, Poplar HARCA  
Stephen Bediako, Project Oracle  
Maggie Elliott, Richard Cloudesley's Charity  
Gulten Fedayi, Royal Borough Of Greenwich  
Andrew Studd, Russell-Cooke Solicitors  
Claire Hubberstey, Safer London Foundation  
Kate Smith, Safer London Foundation  
Alastair Wilson, School for Social Entrepreneurs  
Andrew Parry, Southern Housing Group  
Caroline Forster, The Social Investment Business  
Keith Valentine, Thomas Pocklington Trust  
Samantha Rennie

## **2 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10 June 2013**

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed. All members agreed and the minutes were signed by the Chair.

## **3 Presentation of Report and Accounts for 2013**

Kristina presented the Trustees' Report for 2013, noting key events and activities in the year. She felt that, as a small organisation, London Funders managed to punch well above its weight. Membership was growing and the range topics covered in meetings attracted an increasing number of attendees, and nearly 1500 e-bulletin subscribers. It was clear that our information and resources were valued and much used - the e-bulletin, meeting reports and material available through the website. Kristina also noted the staff changes in 2013, which saw a new Director, David Warner, and Networks and Projects Coordinator Becky Green.

2014 has already seen a lot of positive activity, with the new 3 year strategy, a new children and young people project group, 20 meetings so far and more new members. Kristina also noted the publication of an informal in house review 'About...London Funders' which will be available at all meetings and provides a background and summary of London Funders. London Funders have already received a lot of positive feedback on our meetings in 2014 and on the opportunity for collaborative work and discussions that we allow for.

Victoria Lawson, Treasurer of London Funders then spoke briefly to the Trustee's accounts for 2013. She highlighted that London Funders is a small organisation with big ambition and that the reports and accounts demonstrate the amount of work done on an economical budget. Victoria highlighted the considerable support received for events through help in kind from many professional advisers and other companies, and the third year of a grant from City Bridge Trust which augmented subscription income very helpfully. London Funders continued to run as economically as possible, with only two core staff.

Victoria noted that London Funders will be changing their year to run in line with the financial year, which is also in line with many members. Members will be invoiced in January 2015 for a 15 months subscription and thereafter, from April 2016, subscriptions will run from April to March.

Brian Wheelwright proposed acceptance of the Report and Accounts and Bharat Mehta seconded. The report was then unanimously accepted by members.

## **4 Appointment of Independent Examiner**

Kristina confirmed that Goldwins Limited had done an efficient and economical job for us as Independent Examiner. Andy Gregg proposed that Goldwins be retained for 2014. Erik Mesel seconded and all voting members agreed.

## **5 Appointments to the Executive Committee**

Kristina reminded members that there had been four vacancies on the Executive Committee for the period 2014-17 and that four nominations had been received. She therefore presented these four names for

members' endorsement. Three of these will serve their second term: Bharat Mehta (Trust for London), Erik Mesel (John Lyon's Charity) and Monica Needs (London Borough of Barking and Dagenham), and one will serve their first term: Rohan Martyres (CAN),

**6 Thanks to outgoing members**

Kristina thanked outgoing member, Samantha Rennie, who was leaving the Executive Committee following her resignation from her role at Homeless Link.

**7. Closing remarks by the Chair**

Kristina thanked the staff group for their hard and effective work, and emphasized her belief in London Funders. Over the past year, London has continued to grapple in ages of austerity and London Funders gives an opportunity to shine a light on important issues and look for a way for funders to respond to change. Kristina thanked CCLA for generously hosting this event and all members and friends who had come to this meeting. She invited everyone to participate in shaping London Funders' agenda for the coming year and taking part in events.

The meeting closed at 4.10 pm