



**Dial a Ride (Denbighshire) Ltd**  
**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**  
**held at**  
**Wellington Road Community Centre, 31st July, 2017**

Attendance:

*Mr B Scholfield (Chairman), Mrs M Edmondson (Treasurer), Mr K Mather (Director/Trustee), Cllr A Rutherford (Rhyl Town Council & Director/Trustee), Mr Duncan Stewart (Director/Trustee)*

*A Jones AM (Vale of Clwyd), Cllr Brian Jones (Denbighshire County Council & Rhyl Town Council) Lindsay Haveland (CTA)*

*Ms B Mather (Manager), Mr T Henman (Finance Officer/Transport Manager), Mr C Brammer (Administrator)*

*Mrs J Godby, Mrs C Marks, Mr D Pierce, Mr G Roberts*

*Mrs R Cotton, Mrs L Fisher, Mrs M E Hedley, Mrs W Hinder, Mr H Hughes, Mrs M Jelly, Mrs J Jones, Mrs B Koppe, Mrs H McNeil, Mrs P Scott,*

Apologies:

*Mrs B Howland (Director/Trustee) Mr R Howland (Director/Trustee), Llyr Gruffydd AM (North Wales), Mark Isherwood AM (North Wales), Darren Millar AM (Clwyd West), Gwyneth Kensler (Denbighshire CC), Cllr Michael Smith (Conwy Borough Council), Cllr Tony Thomas (Denbighshire CC), Cllr Martyn Poller (Prestatyn Town Council), Cllr Peter Prendergast (Rhyl Town Council).*

Welcome:

Mr Barrie Scholfield, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, welcomed Dial A Ride Members, AM, Councillors and Staff to the Annual General Meeting.



## Out-Going Chairman's Report

Mr Scholfield began his report by thanking all the staff and volunteers for their hard work during the previous year. He also thanked the members of the Dial A Ride Board of Directors for their commitment and the Town, Community and County Councils for their support.

Mr Scholfield also thanked Morrisons Foundation for the donation of £5,000 [in February 2016 and used towards the purchase of the new vehicle, Ben].

During the year The Board of Directors had undertaken reviews of Policies and Procedures and this was ongoing.

He was pleased to be able to tell Dial A Ride Members that there was now a full Board of Directors for the Company. He introduced the Members of The Board who present and said DAR Member, Miss Tracey Griffiths had agreed to stand as a Director too.

Barrie explained that DAR was a Member of CTA and he was a Committee Member of that organisation.

The Fare Structure for journeys made had been examined and rationalised. This would mean that some fares would rise but some would decrease. It was pointed out there had been no increases in fares over the past four years.

**It was Agreed, without dissent, that new fares should be introduced.**

At the end of the financial year 2016/2017 DAR accounts showed a small surplus. This would help ensure The Company has a sound financial base.

The Chairman was pleased to report that two applicants had been offered positions as drivers with Dial A Ride recently and he hoped Dial A Ride Members would have the opportunity to meet them very soon.



## Election of Dial A Ride Chairman and Members of The Board of Directors.

Mrs M Edmondson (Treasurer) took the Chair for the Election of the new Chairman. Mr Scholfield indicated he was willing to stand.

**Mr Barrie Scholfield was then re-elected unopposed as Chairman of Dial A Ride Board of Directors for 2017-2018.**

Mrs B Howland, Mrs M Edmondson, Cllr A Rutherford, Mr B Mather, Mr D Stewart and Miss T Griffiths had all said they were willing to serve as Director/Trustees of Dial A Ride (Denbighshire) Ltd in the coming year.

**The Meeting unanimously voted the above named candidates to be Board Members for the next year.**

## Accountant's Report

The Minutes of the previous AGM were before the meeting. He asked if they were a true and accurate reflection of that meeting and if they would be accepted. **It was agreed they were and they were approve unanimously.**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

The Accountants Report had been received in Draft Form and was available for inspection. A summary of the Annual Accounts had been prepared and distributed at the meeting.

Mr Scholfield thanked The Finance Officer and The Treasurer for their hard work.

**The Meeting unanimously approved The Annual Accounts.**

Cllr Brian Jones (DCC & Rhyl Town Council) made everyone laugh by quipping that he was prepared to donate £1 to bring the surplus up to a round figure.

He went on to ask how the surplus had been achieved this year.

Mr Scholfield explained that during the past few years the Dial A Ride Directors had embarked on an ambitious program of renewal of Dial A Ride vehicles. The benefits of this were now being felt. The new buses cost less to run and broke down less frequently.



Additionally money was being set aside in a depreciation fund and this would allow the company to renew vehicles in the future.

Lindsay Haveland (CTA) said the Social Loan through WCVA, which had allowed DAR to obtain the newer vehicles, had worked so well that it was hoped that other organisations would benefit from the model.

Mrs Jelly asked how much had been raised by Members in commemoration of Mrs Edith Finnigan.

Bev Mather said over £200 had been donated to DAR and Blind Veterans

Mrs M Edmondson thanked Barrie for what his Chairmanship during the past year member unanimously agreed with this.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 12.45pm

The date of the next AGM: Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> July 2018