Notes to go with Literature for Conference.

I must apologise to delegates for the late issue of some of the Literature items for Conference. This was due to a catastrophic and as it turned our permanent PC demise.

We were faced with the dilemma of not presenting any of the pieces to Conference 2008 which would of course delay them for a further 12 months or presenting them late. At the end of the day the fate of theses documents lay with the Group Conscience of you as delegates, your committees at Conference and your Regions.

'Who Me' has been re written and is presented to you in a text format. We have simplified the language in it and intend for it to be a centre piece of generic 12 step literature directed at the newcomer.

It is our intention to use the 'Prison Card', 'Who Me' and a new pamphlet entitled 'Inside Stories' as an induction pack for prisoners. 'Inside Stories' will be a simple pamphlet containing the 3 'shares' that are presented to you for consideration. We are currently seeking shares from women who were introduced to sobriety through Prison in order to produce a version specific to female prisoners.

As a Committee we intended to present to you a revised version of the Guideline on Public Information. We are unable to do so at this juncture. The Literature Committee is undertaking a root and branch review of the Group Service Handbook. It is our intention to have completed this work for Conference 2009. Some of the suggested changes impact on our ability to provide a revised PI guide line at this time.

Dave C 27/1/2008

PLEASE NOTE: Revised Guideline No. 9 'AA and Healthcare in the Community' has now been placed on Committee No. 6 in place of the PI Guideline, for the above reason.