# **CONFERENCE PLENARY:**

### Pamphlets / Leaflets

\*NOTE: For the 'Sponsorship: Your Questions Answered', 'Growing into Service', and 'AA Business Meetings, the Group Conscience and Group Conscience Meetings' pamphlets / leaflets, we will ask Conference to allow making any needed adjustments post-Conference to assure the language in the pamphlets / leaflets and Handbooks reflect one other.

Additions to pamphlet, 'Sponsorship: Your Questions Answered' (Conference 2021 – C4, Q2)

SEE SEPARATE DOCUMENT: 'Sponsorship Qs Answered amendments Service (1a) Sponsorship'

SEE ALSO EXISTING PAMPHLET DOCUMENT: '3170\_Sponsorship Your Questions Answered' (1b)

If the revisions are approved by Conference, the LSC will liaise with the General Secretary regarding any copyright issues needing to be resolved with AA World Services. (The AA Great Britain pamphlet 'Sponsorship: Your Questions Answered' was originally adapted from the AAWS pamphlet 'Questions and Answers on Sponsorship'.)

The pamphlet on Service Sponsorship (Conference 2021 – C4, Q2) has been delayed, with the intention of bringing it to Conference in 2023, using language that reflects what is approved this year for the Service Handbook and the 'Sponsorship: Your Questions Answered' pamphlet.

With Conference's approval, we would like the new Service Sponsorship pamphlet also to include Experiences of AA members with Service Sponsorship – as Service Sponsors and on being sponsored in service. The Literature Sub Committee intends to ask for such experience via AA Service News following Conference. Please consider responding with a contribution if you feel able.

2. Revisions to 'AA Business Meetings, the Group Conscience and Group Conscience Meetings' leaflet (Conference 2021 – C3, Q3).

### Following the first paragraph on the third inside page:

#### **'Business Meetings**

Business Meetings that are held regularly by a group to conduct its affairs may follow whatever format or process the group chooses. AA experience has shown that decisions made by the group's members at these meetings ought to be recorded in the minutes of the meetings.'

INSERT (REPLACING the current paragraph beginning 'The group will also need to...'):

## 'How Group decisions are taken

It is important to remember Concept V, "Right of Participation", which fosters our spiritual need of a desire to belong. All groups are entitled to a voice, and all members, too. It further encourages us to take our responsibilities seriously, assuring us that we are "trusted servants".

Ensuring that minority opinions can be expressed encourages unity and makes the group stronger.

#### Who will vote

To ensure the autonomy of groups, it is suggested that groups determine who is eligible to vote and clarify voting procedures. Most members feel more at home in one or more groups and consider them their home group where they willingly accept service responsibilities and sustain friendships. It is recommended members consider taking personal responsibility on how and when they vote.

While voting on group matters, members may feel that they have a voice in more than one group.

To ensure that representation is proportionate, it would be inappropriate for members to vote more than once on matters concerning the Fellowship as a whole (e.g., feedback on Conference Questions).

Members visiting other groups should consider adhering to the principle of One Member, One Vote, by not taking part in their group business or policy decisions.'

The rest of the section remains the same (beginning with the paragraph 'The group may designate any member...')

SEE ALSO SEPARATE DOCUMENT: 'REVISIONS\_AA BusMtgs Group Conscience etc' (2a)
SEE ALSO PAMPHLET DOCUMENT: 'AA Group Conscience leaflet' (2b)

3. Minor addition to pamphlet, 'Growing into Service' (Conference 2021 – C4, Q2).

Add the following to end of 'Sponsorship into Service' section on back flap:

'Please see the pamphlet "Sponsorship: Your Questions Answered", in particular the section "Service Sponsorship and Sponsoring into Service", and Section 1.5, "Sponsorship, Service Sponsorship, and Sponsoring into Service" in the AA Service Handbook for Great Britain.'

**SEE ALSO PAMPHLET DOCUMENT:** 'GROWING\_INTO\_SERVICE\_GSC 2022' (3)

4. 'Younger People in AA'.

Revised by Young Peoples' Sub-Committee, with some input from LSC. We will again liaise with the General Secretary regarding any AAWS copyright issues.

SEE PAMPHLET DOCUMENT: 'YP Pamphlet mock-up\_content & order\_v2.1' (4a)

SEE ALSO EXISTING PAMPHLET DOCUMENT: '3095 Younger People in AA' (4b)