

**MINUTES OF NORTH WEST INTERGROUP MEETING HELD AT  
CATTERALL VILLAGE HALL, GARSTANG ROAD, CATTERALL, PR3 1XN  
ON SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 12.30 pm**

**PART ONE.**

THE NWIG BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS ARE: -	
Name of Bank	Unity Trust Bank
Name of Account	North West Intergroup
Sort Code	60 – 83 - 01
Account Number	20464532

**THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 12:30 AS SCHEDULED.**

**DUE TO THE LATE ARRIVAL OF THE TRUSTEES THE ORDER IN WHICH THE  
AGENDA ITEMS WERE DEALT WITH WAS ALTERED.**

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

Chair	Phil H	1
Secretary	Chris D	2
Treasurer	Jed C	3
Vice-Chair (and Region Rep 2)	Catherine C	4
ECLO	Neil D	5
HLO	Nigel C	6
Region Rep 3	Suzie C	7
TLO (also RTLO)	Debs	8
YPLO	Ed B	9

**GSRs PRESENT: -**

Adam D	Tarleton Friday	10
Adrian T	Morecambe St Mary's Friday	11
Cal C	Carnforth Tuesday	12
Chris D	Settle	Secretary
Chris L	Warwick Bridge (Near Carlisle)	13
Ed B	Leyland Young Persons meeting	YPLO
James F	Lindale Sunday	14
Jed	Lancaster Step and Tradition	Treasurer
Jess F	Lancaster Arch to Freedom	15
Jim F	Longridge	16
Jo W	Kendal	17
John M	Lancaster Wed	18
Liza	Windermere	19
Louise W	Barrow Road to Recovery	20
Lyndsay	Bartle Beginners	21
Margaret H	Lancaster Saturday, St Chads	22
Michael A	Chorley - Monday	23
Nigel	Fleetwood	HLO
Paul C	Morecambe, St Marys Sunday	24
Sue C	Garstang Friday	25
Terry W	Chorley, St Chads	26
Tom B	Garstang Monday	27

**VISITORS PRESENT: -**

Callum (1)	Barrow Thu	28
Danny O (2)	Bamber Bridge	29
Derek H (3)	Leyland Thursday	30
Geoff S (4)	Chorley	31
George N (5)	Fairhaven Tue	32
Jim T (6)	Bartle Beginners (And former Hon Treasurer)	33
John C (7)	<b>NER Trustee and member of the Finance Committee.</b> (Attended at the request of the Chairman of the Board)	34
Norman MacP (8)	Barrow Wed	35
Richard F (9)	Garstang Fri	36
Rob S (10)	Kendal	37
Sam B (11)	Lancaster Cathedral	38
Simon W (12)	Lancaster Arch to Freedom	39
Steve W (13)	Chorley – St Chads (Alternate GSR)	40
Tracy C (14)	Carnforth	41

**ATTENDING REMOTELY: -**

	<b>GSR and VOTING RIGHTS</b>	<b>Visitor From</b>	
Adam J (15)	-	<b>NWR Treasurer (1)</b>	42
Beccs (16)	-	?	43
Ben D (17)	-	<b>London Region South</b>	44
Carrol B (18)	-	Bartle Beginners	45
Dawn (19)	-	Lancaster	46
Edwin S (20)	-	Southport	47
Gillian R (21)	-	<b>London Region North Treasurer (2)</b>	48
Heather (22)	-	?	49
Helen C (23)	-	<b>Midlands Treasurer (3)</b>	50
John (24)	-	<b>East Dorset</b>	51
John G (25)	-	<b>SWR Treasurer (4)</b>	52
Pauline (26)	-	Carlisle	53
Sarah (27)	-	?	54
Scott H (28)	-	Liverpool / Southport	55
<b>Susanne</b>	<b>GSR Lancaster Mon</b>	-	56
<b>Wendy</b>	<b>Penrith</b>	-	57

**Please see the separate minutes detailing that part of the meeting that was taken up with the Trustees answering the questions that had been submitted to them in writing on 24/06/2025, for details of the extreme latecomers. (Minutes Part 2)**

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**INTRODUCTION: -**

<b>Welcome</b>	By Phil.
<b>Thanks to the providers of technical support</b>	Neil and Jed.
<b>Thanks to the refreshment helper</b>	Tom and Richard.
<b>Preamble</b>	Read by Phil.
<b>Traditions</b>	Read by Tom.
<b>Declaration of Unity</b>	Read by Jim F.
<b>Aims of Intergroup</b>	Read by Jed.
<b>Responsibility Statement</b>	Read by Jim T.
<b>Number of members present</b>	41 in the room. Plus 3 late arrivals. Total = 44 in person. 16 joined remotely. <b>Grand Total 60.</b>

<b>Number of members with voting rights</b>	25 raised hands in the room + 2 online = 27 at the beginning of the meeting. <b>27 x 2/3 = 18.</b>
<b>Signing in sheet</b>	Phil reminded all to sign in please.

6 To agree the **Minutes** of the Nwig meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025. (Paper 2025/56)  
**RESOLVED: That the minutes of 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025 are accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.**  
Proposed by: Jed.  
Seconded by: Jim.

8 **Secretary's Report and any matters arising.** (Paper 2025/61)  
Report Received. No matters arising.

9 **Region Reports: -**

a) To receive the Minutes of the Region meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025. (Paper 2025/62)  
**Minutes Received.**

b) To receive reports from the Nwig Region Reps and to deal with any matters arising. (paper 2025/63)

1) **Catherine C delivered her report in full to the assembly and a detailed discussion of the concerns ensued. The full report was circulated before the meeting.**

**The main points were: -**

- It is proposed that Nwig write a letter to all the Regions and Intergroups, calling for everyone to use 'the power of the purse'.
- It is proposed that no more money is sent to GSO until the Board stop pushing the safeguarding agenda.
- North West Region sent a letter on 21/07/2025 to the National Telephone Sub-Committee asking for the **immediate removal** of the statement "Don't meet the still suffering alcoholic in their home" from the NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED guidance currently on the AAGB website, i.e. The National 12 Steppers Safeguarding Guidelines and The National Telephone Responders Training and Safeguarding Guidelines.
- **No reply has ever been received to that letter.** (Receipt of the letter was eventually acknowledged after being chased, but no reply to the actual request has ever been received).
- It is understood that the letter was forwarded to the RTLO's annual meeting on 8 and 9 August 2025 for their consideration. **But why?**
  - The RTLO's are not the conscience of the fellowship.
  - The RTLO's did not take a vote on whether the offending statement should be "immediately removed" as requested. This has been confirmed by the Nwrtlo.
  - The RTLO's did not write back to NWR on behalf of the National Telephone Sub-Committee, to whom the letter was addressed.
  - The end result is that the letter was not considered properly and the request has, in effect, just been shelved.
- The NWR Trustee report on the matter was that "*as this was just North West Intergroup that object, the documents will remain on the website and be taken to conference for discussion*". This report contains two major errors, both of which require urgently correcting.
  - It was North West Region that asked for the offending statement to be immediately removed, not "just Nwig". This was absolutely confirmed at the NWR meeting on 07/09/2025 when the Chair of NWR stated that "this was NOT a minority opinion" and that it was "the opinion of NWR and not only Nwig". (Item 4d of the Region minutes). This confirmation should enable the NWR Trustee to withdraw the incorrect report that she has made, and to consider apologising for the carelessness of that report.
  - **The Questions for Conference 2026 have not been decided or published yet.** Therefore there is nothing at all to suggest that the NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED guidance to 12 steppers and telephone responders will be considered by Conference, either in 2026 or any other year. And in view of the fact that they break our traditions, they should just be removed from the website until such time as they are.
- It is thought that the NWR Trustee also stated at the NWR meeting on 08/06/2025 that the offending NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED guidance to 12 steppers and telephone responders will be considered at Conference 2026. However, the NWR Chair assured the NWR assembly on 07/09/2026 that that could not have been the case, and that the NWR Trustee *must* have only been suggesting that the proposed amendments to the NONE

CONFERENCE APPROVED literature will NEED to be put forward as a QFC, and not reporting that it definitely will be a QFC in 2026. (Item 3a of the Region minutes).

(The NWR Trustee was not present at the NWR meeting of 07/09/2026, hence the reply for the Chair and not the Trustee herself).

- At the last NWR meeting the YPLO reported that the AAGB now has a “Safeguarding sub-committee”, but she retracted this statement when asked exactly what it is doing. And yet the Board Bullet points for September 2025 refer to the “Board Safeguarding Committee”. Is there a Committee, Sub-Committee, Steering-Committee, or a Working Group for “safeguarding”? And if any of those things exist, what are the Terms of Reference?
- The Young Person’s Sub-Committee held a “safeguarding workshop” for YPLOs online on 24th April 2025, as reported in the Young Persons Newsletter. **But Why?**
  - The “Safeguarding Policy” applies to the Charity and NOT to the Fellowship.
  - It is “Guidance” that is applicable to groups, Intergroups, Regions etc and this can be found at Section 5 ‘Safeguarding and Personal Conduct’ of the chapter “The Group”, in the AA Structure Handbook for Great Britain.
  - The two entirely separate regimes should not be conflated, ever. It is grossly misleading to do so. All Officers are supposed to know and understand this, and act accordingly.
  - Who decided that a “Safeguarding” workshop for anybody other than members of the board, to whom the “Safeguarding Policy” applies, is appropriate? And why are they failing to uphold the traditions?
- It is suggested that we need practical safety guidance regarding minors in AA. Such as; they need to be supported by either their parent, probation worker, social worker, drug and alcohol worker etc. Because **NB:** -
  - **We cannot take parental responsibility for minors in AA.**
  - **We must never make promises that we cannot deliver.**
- The telephone subcommittee has also now devised a new application for telephone responders asking if you have a current DBS check. This has no place in the AA fellowship.
- Conference Committee 4 of 2025 asked the Board to “amend” the AA Structure Handbook for Great Britain (The Group, Section 5), because they felt it was poorly written and misleading. This has now been done.
- Conference committee 4 of 2025 also asked the Board to “Review **The General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Safeguarding Policy Document** (specifically the language used)”.  
It was reported in the Board Bullet points for September 2025 that this review has been conducted and that “*the Board Safeguarding Committee* looked at the guidance and decided that there was no need for change”.  
However, Conference 2025 requested that the Board review the “Safeguarding Policy Document” (applicable to the charity) not just the guidance (applicable to the fellowship).  
**When will the review of the Safeguarding Policy Document be reviewed by the Board as requested by Conference 2025?**
- Alcoholics Anonymous is a peer-to-peer support group and not bound by legal safeguarding policies.

2) **The NWIGTLO/RTLO responded to Catherine’s report as follows:** -

- The application form for telephone responders has asked the question about whether the applicant has a current DBS check for some time, this question is not new.
- There is no requirement to answer this question, it can be left blank.
- Nobody is forced to have a DBS check to be either a 12 stepper or a telephone responder.
- Although the TLO/RTLO does not personally believe that the question about having a DBS check should be on the application form, the annual RTLO meeting decided to leave it because the document will be reviewed at Conference 2026. (However, this is NOT a fact).

3) **John C, NER Trustee, who was in attendance today as a visitor, reported the following:** -

- The Chair of the Board asked him to attend the NWIG meeting today.
- The Questions for Conference 2026 are not yet known, so it is impossible to say that reviewing the NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED guidance to 12 steppers and Telephone Responders will on the 2026 Conference agenda.
- He assured the assembly that since nobody could possibly know at this point what will be considered at the 2026 or future year’s Conferences, that Angela must have made a mistake if she had indicated in any way that it is already known.

4) **It was further reported and/or suggested to the assembly, by the Secretary, who was also a Conference Delegate in 2023, 2024 and 2025, that: -**

- This question should *never* have been included on the application form, and that the fact that it has been on there for a number of years in no way excuses the fact that it is being asked at all. Instead of leaving it blank, just remove the question. It is entirely unnecessary and inappropriate.
- As has been discussed and agreed on multiple occasions now at both NWIG and NWR any inappropriate reference to “safeguarding”, “DBS checks” and “do not visit the still suffering alcoholic at home” need to be removed from all AA literature immediately.  
(Literature applicable to the fellowship that means, not the Safeguarding Policy applicable to the Charity).
- The RTLO was tasked by NWR with letting the annual RTLO meeting know that the conscience of the Region was that the inappropriate references to “safeguarding”, “DBS checks” and “do not visit the still suffering alcoholic at home” could not be left alone until they are reviewed at Conference, but that the Conscience of the Region was very clearly that they must be removed *immediately*.
- In view of the comments above from John C, It is very important for the NWR Trustee to withdraw her incorrect statement that the documents will “be taken to conference for discussion” because RTLO’s are still circulating this mistaken information.
- It is a fact that NWR has never received a reply from anybody (not the Board, not the National Telephone Sub-Committee, and not the annual RTLO meeting) to its urgent letter of 21/07/2025. Why not?

5) **Suzie C (Region Rep and Conference Delegate) reported as follows: -**

- Committee 4 at Conference 2025 worked extremely hard, and very late, to craft a comprehensive response to question 1, that would enable the Board to produce the much-needed clarification on ‘The General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Safeguarding Policy Document’ and the ‘Safeguarding and Personal Conduct’ Chapter 5 in the AA Structure Handbook.
- Sadly the response from Committee 4 has not been listened to.
- The Traditions and the new “guidance” provide the framework for keeping us all safe in meetings, etc. We are all vulnerable, but we have the tools to use.
- “Safeguarding” has no place in the fellowship. But should be clarified for the Charity – as requested by Committee 4 at Conference 2025.
- There is a disconnect between the Board and the members, which needs to be addressed.

6) **The NWIG Chair, Phil H, raised more concerns: -**

- More and more material that breaks our Traditions is just appearing on the website. This is not acceptable and need to be addressed. Starting with the removal of the NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED “National 12 Steppers Safeguarding Guidelines” and “National Telephone Responders Training & Safeguarding Guidelines”.
- Many parents who come to the fellowship have left their children unattended when they were drinking. They need to be able to share freely about this, and hear others sharing about this, freely and without fear.
- Regarding “Complaints” and “action plans”: -
  - The NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED “National 12 Steppers Safeguarding Guidelines” states: “Complaints. Thankfully, these are rare, if a complaint is received about a 12 stepper, then the 12 stepper will be appraised of the situation and an *action plan* put in place to resolve the issue. In rare cases, the issue may be of such a serious nature that requires immediate protection of individuals or AA as a whole and the 12 stepper may be temporarily removed from the 12 Step service until a review of the situation has been made. A report, and if needed an *action plan*, will then be made available to those concerned.
  - The NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED “National Telephone Responders Training & Safeguarding Guidelines” states: “If a complaint is received about a responder, then the responder will be appraised of the situation and an *action plan* put in place to resolve the issue. In most cases, additional training and/or re-training will be the preferred resolution path. In rare cases, the issue may be of such a serious nature that requires immediate protection of individuals or AA as a whole and the responder may be temporarily removed from service until a review of the situation has been made. A report, and if needed an *action plan*, will then be made available to those concerned. If a responder has acted inappropriately, been removed from service and moves to another area, it is up to the TLO & the local helpline, from which the responder was removed to consider informing neighbouring helplines.
  - Who has any authority whatsoever to design, write and implement any such *action plan*?
  - Who has any right to decide who “those concerned” are, to whom this inappropriate action plan is to be “made available”?
- It can be argued that the staff at GSO need a Safeguarding Policy. But the fellowship does not.

- It has been agreed at North West Region on numerous occasions now that both sets of NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED guidance are “not fit for purpose”.  
NB: This is the MAJORITY VIEW at North West Region. It is not a minority view, and it is not, and never was, “just NWIG’s” view.
- An attempt to introduce DBS checks for fellowship members would open a can of worms.
- **RESOLVED: That NWIG will write to all the Regions and Intergroups, calling for everyone to use ‘the power of the purse’, and to stop making contributions to GSO until such time as the Board stops pushing the safeguarding agenda.**  
**VOTE: 22/27 for.**  
A good place for the Board to start would be to review the actual “Safeguarding Policy Document” (applicable to the Charity) as requested by Conference 2025, and not just the “guidance” (applicable to the fellowship).
- **RESOLVED: That NWIG will submit a Question for Conference 2027 asking Conference to produce practical safety guidance regarding minors in AA.**  
**VOTE: 21/27 for.**
- **RESOLVED: That NWIG will write to the National Telephone Sub-Committee asking for the immediate removal of the none conference approved “National 12 Steppers Safeguarding Guidelines” and National Telephone Responders Training & Safeguarding Guidelines”.**  
**VOTE: 25/27 for.**

2 **To receive apologies: -**

Gemma (GSR Barrow); Elaine (GSR Lancaster Women’s); Susan (GSR Lancaster Teatime Daily Reflections Online); Kath (Shap); Emma (Hon Treasurer).

Note from the Secretary: Apologise for the strange order of the items. The failure of the Trustees to arrive on time caused a great deal of confusion.

10 **Liaison Officer Reports and matters arising: -**

- a) Archivist (Charlie).
  - **No report received.**
- b) Electronic Communication LO (Neil). (Paper 2025/65)
  - **Report received. As read.**
- c) Health LO (Nigel). (Paper 2025/66)
  - **Report received. As read. No questions.**
- d) Prison LO (VACANT: Phil covering). (Paper 2025/67)
  - **Report received. As read.**
  - When delivering a presentation at Lancaster Farm recently Phil H spoke first and noticed that all of the speakers from other agencies who followed him, reported that they come to AA to keep sober. It is worth bearing this in mind and trying to speak first at all future presentations that include speakers from other agencies.
  - We only have meeting in one prison – out of 5.
  - It is thought that somebody is going into Haverigg Prison but no report received to date.
  - Please take the Prison Liaison Officer vacancy back to your group.
- e) Telephone LO (Debs). (Papers 2025/68 to 70)
  - **Report Received. As read.**
  - Key point: We need more responders. Two have stepped down. Debs will be training some people next week.
  - Otherwise telephone service is going well.
- f) Young Persons LO (Ed). (Paper 2025/71)
  - **Report Received. As read.**

11 **Reports from Sub-Committees: -**

- a) Inspiring Service Sub-Committee Report. (Jenny – not present and no apologies sent). (Paper 2025/72)
- **Report received. As read.**
  - It was reported that the sub-committee is now closed until further notice.
  - The Secretary reported that the flyers produced by the Inspiring Service Sub-committee have been circulated.
  - The Secretary reported that most of the other items from the Inspiring Service Sub-Committee Action Plan, have been, or will shortly be, fulfilled by other IG Officers, namely: -
    - A full list of groups, and contacts for the groups, has been compiled by the Secretary and is kept updated by the Secretary. (I have contacts for 73 out of 76 groups, and am working on the other 3).
    - A full list of vacancies, and rotation dates of NWIG Officers has been compiled by the Secretary and is kept updated by the Secretary.
    - To run regular workshops. This task is being progressed by Catherine C and the Service Workshop Sub-committee; please contact her if you are willing and able to assist.
    - Develop the NWIG Microsite. This is the responsibility of the ECLO. He has both the technical knowledge and the authority to just go ahead and develop the microsite.
  - Jess reported that the Inspiring Service Sub-Committee feel that they concluded their other aims.
- b) Service Workshop Sub-committee. (Catherine)
- It was reported that Catherine is forging ahead with plans, and is looking at venues.
  - Because of the size of our IG, which is vast, it might be best practice to start off with a fairly central venue, but to see if the workshop could be moved to other venues at a later date.
  - Please let Catherine know if you can contribute to this sub-committee and/or workshop.
  - **RESOLVED: That a budget of £300.00 is allocated to the Service Workshop Sub-committee to start the project off.**
- c) NWIG Convention Committee – Has anybody come forward to form a Committee for this?
- There will not be a 2026 NWIG Convention if we cannot form a Committee to take responsibility for it.
  - **Please take this opportunity back to your groups.**
- d) Lancs and Morecambe PI Group. (Paper 2025/73)
- **Report received. As read.**
  - Jed and Helen A gave a presentation to approx 50 beat officers and PCSO's, including senior staff, at Lancaster Police Station recently. They were very engaged and full of interest in signposting to us while out on the beat, and keeping meeting lists in the station. Very well-done Jed and Helen, thank you.
  - No further activity is planned at the moment.

**Nominations for vacant service positions: - (See the Service Handbook for details of the roles and requirements).**

a	Employment Liaison Officer.	None.
b	NWIG 2026 Convention Convenor.	None.
c	Prison Liaison Officer.	None.
d	Probation Liaison Officer.	None.
e	<b>Public Information Liaison Officer.</b>	<b>ADAM.</b>
f	<b>Region Rep.</b>	<b>JIM F.</b>
g	Share Liaison Officer.	None.
h	ASLO.	None.

**Please take details of all vacant roles back to groups.**

13 **Election of Officers: -**

- Adam was elected as Public Information Officer.
- Jim F was elected as Region Rep.

**THANK YOU, SUZIE, FOR BEING ONE OF OUR NWR REPS FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS.  
WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK, TIME AND ENERGY.**

14 **GSR Reports.** (Paper 2025/75)

- Received.
- No matters arising.
- NB: Bartle Beginners meeting celebrates 25 years on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

15 **Any Other Business: -**a) **Plain Language Big Book – Printing Licence. Concerns and questions to the Board from Scotia Region.** (Paper 2025/76)

This appears to be another NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED publication.

However, John C (NER Trustee) explained that this publication has been approved by the America Conference, and that AAGB always accept literature approved by USA.

However, the Chair pointed that Scotia Region has reported that: -

- The US and Canada General Service Conference 2020 recommended publication of the Plain Language Big Book (PLBB). It was published in November 2024.
- But that the translation of the Big Book (presumably from the original to the “Plain Language”) was outsourced, and was done by none-alcoholics.
- The US and Canada Service Conference 2025 reports that “changes and revisions” need to be undertaken with regard to the current version of the PLBB.
- There have been some mistakes in the translation of our basic text, which have led to **radical changes of our message.**
- In May 2025 the Board **announced** in the Board Bullet Points that they had requested and obtained a licence to print the PLBB in GB.
- Therefore, the Board has now obtained and are selling a faulty product without the fellowships consent.
- Scotia Region would like the Board to respond to the following concerns and/or questions: -
  - How was the decision to obtain the license taken by the Board? This decision was not mentioned at Conference 2025; **how did the Board obtain the authority from the Fellowship to go ahead with this decision?**
  - Did the Board take into consideration the current issues with the PLBB in the US & Canada before obtaining the licence?
  - **Did any of our Trustees read the book** prior to it landing on our shores?
  - What was the cost of obtaining the license of the PLBB and what have been the costs of printing to date?
  - Do the Board see it as being prudent to AAGB to print and continue selling the PLBB, considering it will be reviewed and changed in the coming years?
- **RESOLVED: That NWIG supports the view that the PLBB remains NONE CONFERENCE APPROVED literature unless, and until, it has been considered and approved at AAGB Conference. Secretary to write to GSO/GSB accordingly.**  
**VOTE: 22/27 for.**

## b) Anything else?

**No other business.**

**As this concluded the routine business of NWIG the assembly was obliged to take a break at this point and await the arrival of the Trustees.**

**Please see the separate Minutes detailing that part of the meeting that was taken up with the Trustees answering the questions that had been submitted to them in writing on 24/06/2025.**

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**Finance: -**

To receive the Treasurers report. (Paper 2025/55)

- The treasurers report was sent out a couple of days ago.
- The bank balance has continued to grow because we are withholding, and have been withholding for a year.
- I did make some notes because this is the Annual Report – the bank balance has grown and until we send that off to Region it will continue to grow.
- I propose that we send £1,000.00 to NWR to cover Regional costs such as insurance.
- I propose that the officer budgets, including a new one Catherine and the Service Workshop, are agreed.

**Question:** What is the bank balance?

**Answer:** £21,627. And our Prudent Reserve is about £2K.

Proposal one: To send £1,000.00 to Region.

Voted on and carried.

**RESOLVED: Treasurer to make a contribution of £1000.00 to NWR.**

Proposal two: To agree the officer budgets.

Voted on and carried.

**RESOLVED: That the officer budgets are agreed.**

**Notes for GSRs to take back to groups:**

- **Let Catherine C know asap if you can contribute to the Service Workshop Committee, or the actual workshop.**
- Submit your group report at least TWO WEEKS BEFORE the next IG meeting.
- Can everybody carry on broadcasting that NWIG would be delighted to hear from the remaining groups for which we don't have contacts at the moment.
- Think about visiting Region – especially if you are considering becoming a Region Rep.
- Please put your group number on contribution's to NWIG so that they can be identified. Group ID in banking reference - please put in the first 4 or 5 characters of the reference
- All groups are urged again to bring specific proposals to NWIG on how to use the surplus funds to reach the still suffering, along with details of exactly how they will actively participate in doing so.
- If you have items to be added to the micro site, send them to the ECLo at [ecomm.nwest@aamail.org](mailto:ecomm.nwest@aamail.org)
- Everybody interested in establishing a hospital 12-step list in their own area contact Nigel the HLO at [health.nwest@aamail.org](mailto:health.nwest@aamail.org)
- Consider visiting a prison meeting to share. (Contact Chairman Phil)
- Consider becoming a telephone responder. (Contact TLO Debs)
- Consider adding your name to the 12-step list. (TLO Debs)
- Ask everybody to speak a little about their own service work and the way in which this has contributed to their sobriety when sharing in meetings.
- Consider joining the 2026 NWIG Convention sub-committee. **DO YOU WANT A NWIG ONE DAY CONVENTION IS 2026? IF SO, COME FORWARD AND HELP ORGANISE IT OR THERE WON'T BE AN EVENT.**
- Announce all the vacant service positions at NWIG – particularly North West Convention Conveyor – if you want a convention.

**Actions to be added to the list of ongoing actions from this meeting: -**

- Treasurer: To make a contribution of £1000.00 to NWR.
- Treasurer: Allocate a budget of £300.00 to the Service Workshop Committee.
- Secretary: Write to all the Regions and Intergroups, calling for everyone to use 'the power of the purse', and to stop making contributions to GSO until such time as the Board stops pushing the safeguarding agenda.
- Secretary: NWIG will submit a Question for Conference 2027 asking Conference to produce practical safety guidance regarding minors in AA.

- Secretary: Write to the National Telephone Sub-Committee asking for the immediate removal of the none conference approved “National 12 Steppers Safeguarding Guidelines” and National Telephone Responders Training & Safeguarding Guidelines”.
  - Secretary: Get Adam set up with PILO email account, and registration form.
  - Secretary: Get Jim F set up with Region Rep email account, and registration form.
  - Secretary: Write to GSO/GSB about the PLBB, and let Scotia Region know.
-