

Community Base

Concluding the Review

Monday 16th April 2007

11.00 – 3.00

Preceded by an extraordinary general meeting at 10.30 am

South Wing Conference Room

Dear Colleague

Based on the findings of the review to date and the recent work undertaken to review policies, I am assuming that the question of how licences can be terminated has been settled, subject to the need to review policies on a regular basis. I am also assuming that the question of whether the licence arrangement should be retained is not up for review because of the advice received from lawyers and the views expressed to me during the review process.

We now need to focus on the central question of who should or should not be able to be based at Community Base. Following the extraordinary general meeting scheduled for 10.30 on 16th April, I propose that we spend time reflecting on this together. This will not be a decision-making meeting. It will be an opportunity to listen carefully to each other's perspectives and try and find a way of securing a way forward which ensures that Community Base sticks to its core purpose, thrives and provides the most useful service possible to its participant groups.

I would greatly value any comments or thoughts you may have. Please feel free to contact me through the email group or confidentially at jeremy@spafford.org.uk

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

To debate the central question of ethos and purpose in order to inform a decision about who should or should not be working at Community Base.

Draft outline programme (timings are approximate, apart from the start and end times)

11.00 Refreshment

11.15 Welcome, introductions and expectations

Scanning the horizon...what is happening beyond Community Base that may affect the organisation over the coming years?

What do we want Community Base to look like in 2010?

What matters most?

12.45 LUNCH

13.15 What rules do we need? How should they be enforced? How do we deal with grey areas?

14.15 Review and Next Steps

15.00 CLOSE