

LTPA Minutes of meeting on 18th August 2020

Formal Agenda items

- Meeting opened at 19:35
- Any apologies for today: none
- Accept that the minutes from our previous (formal) association meeting (14 July 2020) are a true & accurate record. (Nominated Kevin, seconded Cliff)

1. Follow up on action points arising from the previous minutes.

- We need more website content to make the website useful - all practical suggestions are welcome. Please send suggested website content directly to the President and after moderation we will arrange to have it published. Thanks Rae for the submission about Brian.
- An update from John, our Secretary, on the new membership certificate, as well as the membership database. **Started entering data from what Kevin sent through. ASB financial transaction details are available in the Drive shared area, this will help.**
- As we now have full access to the ASB accounts, updates on the ASB account balances from Kevin please. Progress report from Kevin on finding a bookkeeper to get the now overdue end-of-year accounts ratified and submitted. **No report from Kevin at this stage**
- Report back from Kevin on a quality window sticker of the logo to be included as part of the membership, as well as pricing for additional stickers (at additional cost). **Not got a price yet, waiting for his contact from both China and his local contact to give him pricing.**
- An update from Kevin our Treasurer on the association's address change (and progress on the name change) with the Companies Office. **In progress, working with John on that, needs a second signature. Application has been submitted and then expired. Is planning to resubmit this on Monday.**
- An update from Joe on the association's constitution. **Rae sent this through and it's in the shared area. This is old, and a second doc with changes is also filed. This needs to be worked through by the executive team to check for relevance.**
- Any update from John on the website - some options along with pricing for initial build, hosting and ongoing security maintenance please. **Will have something for us next meeting**

2. We need to set a date for our next meeting. Tue 22 Sept

Housekeeping

We now have a paid Zoom subscription (US\$150/annum)

General Business

We discussed Kevin's suggestion that we could maybe have an agreement with Rae for the association to fund the first half or whole hour of consultation with Rae. Over time we would probably find that we would have to limit it somehow, to avoid abuse by a few. But all agreed that in principle this would be a great potential incentive for becoming a member.

There are some limitations: for example only enquiries in relation to pawnbroking (eg with the act, or a matter with the police); Rae could not cover any disputes between members; and the interaction needs to be directly with the person (not the association).

Best scenario is if the association sponsors (refunds) a portion of the consultation. Refunds subject to approval by the association executive team. Details to be discussed and finalised at a later date.

Discussion with sad news from Rae about Brian Cunnington. Joe to add an article "in memory of" to the website. Rae said that Brian had a great way of describing pawnbroking: "When goods move over the table one way, money goes the other way".

Rae offers to do a training session over Zoom - session on the commerce act; price fixing; and the fact that you should never discuss pricing with your competitors.
This would be another potential benefit to members.

Cliff: The uplift forms from the police have changed - they are now digitally created.

E.g. if the Police come to you to uplift goods, it's used for evidence of stolen goods.

John asked if that could then potentially be used to hand it back to the owner.

Cliff: "You have to pick your battles"

Kevin: "If there are no charges laid, then there is no crime, so then the items are not stolen"

Rae: "If the items were not owned by the person who brought them in, then you could potentially lay a charge of obtaining by deception"

Meeting closed 20:30