

LTPA Minutes of Meeting on 6th July 2021

Formal Agenda items

- Meeting opened at: 7:30 PM
- Present: Cliff McNabb, Joe Hoonhout. Rae Nield (by phone)
- Any apologies for today: none
- Accept that the minutes from our previous (formal) association meeting (1st June 2021) are a true & accurate record. Moved: Joe Seconded: Cliff

1. Update from Rae on a private member's Bill that has been put before Parliament seeking to amend the SDPA *"The association is in a good position to write to the minister of Police to head this off, but at this stage there's plenty of time. If pawnbrokers are mandated to use computerised systems (and no manual systems can continue) there will be some pretty big costs, unless those systems are provided by (or subsidised by) the government. No rush at this stage. Will keep an eye on things and report back in a month."* We will continue to monitor progress of this bill. If the government requirement turns out to involve delivering the transaction details in a "standardised format", then that system really needs to be provided by the government.

Cliff spoke to the NZ Metal recyclers (Kathleen Chrisley, General manager) about this bill and her first concern was that this bill would represent an increase in costs. She has contacted the trade subcommittee that they have, and they would be asking to appear before a select committee. The AMR has significantly more resources than our association, and it is an encouraging sign to see another association flagging this bill as problematic.

Cliff reports he has had 1 item with an issue in a year, and pointed out that there are practical problems (e.g. jewellery does not have a serial number).

2. Cliff has sent out a certificate and a window sticker to all paid-up members.
3. We have had further communication from the ministry of consumer affairs. They requested a list of our members and we have forwarded a list of email addresses that we recently used for our annual membership reminders. As a matter of interest, Cliff points out that the MOJ is obliged to maintain a database containing second-hand dealers, scrap dealers, and pawnbrokers. That database currently contains more than 1,00 entries. We will continue to maintain that the ministry of consumer affairs is not correct in stating that pawnbroking "will meet the definition of a consumer credit contract under the CCCF Act". This is not correct – the relevant extract is in Google Drive for members to view. Rae is formulating a response and will be asked to report progress on this at our next meeting.
4. Cliff McNabb has taken over the Treasurer's role, and we received updates from Cliff on the ASB account balances.
We have to refund Cliff for the recent invoice from Rae for her services, which Cliff has kindly paid on behalf of the association.
We plan to shift the funds from our long-term deposit account into our current account when this matures, Cliff has started the process to do this for us. Cliff will find out what we have to do to stop the auto-renewal.
5. Follow up on action points arising from the previous minutes. Now that the change of Treasurer's details have been finalised, Cliff can start the process to change the

association's address (and also the Association's name change) with the Incorporated Society's Register. A progress update from Cliff on this please during our next meeting.

6. Agenda items that were postponed from the previous meeting have been postponed again:

- An update from John, our Secretary, on progress with the membership.
- The annual update from the leadership team has been prepared by Joe and Rae and this is available to the leadership team in Google Drive.
- We need more website content to make the website useful - thanks to Rae for her recent contribution. All practical suggestions are welcome. Please send suggested website content directly to the President and after moderation we will arrange to have it published.
- Progress report from John on contacting that bookkeeper to get the now overdue end-of-year accounts ratified and submitted.
- The association's constitution needs updating once the name change has been processed. Who would be the best person to go through this and get it up to date?
- Any update from John on his proposed new website - some options along with pricing for initial build, hosting and ongoing security maintenance.
- Last year we discussed that the association could sponsor (refund) a portion of a consultation with Rae. The refund would be subject to approval by the association's executive. Details are to be worked through and finalised at a later date, but this is a great potential incentive for becoming a member. Anyone want to work with Rae on putting together a detailed proposal?
- Rae has offered to do a training session over Zoom - a session on the commerce act, price fixing and the fact that you should never discuss pricing with your competitors. This could be of potential benefit to all members. Could we have some details please Rae, how much time do you think you will need and practically how many members would be able to attend?

7. We need to set a date for our next meeting.

Proposed date: 3rd August, 7:30 PM

8. Housekeeping

None

9. General Business

None

Meeting closed: 7:48 PM