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| **HIGNA Area Service Committee Region Report February 2019** | | |
| **RCM report** | | |
| **ASC: HIGNA Area Service Committee** | | |
| **ASC meeting details:** | | |
| **Day and time:**  **Last Sunday of every even month at 5pm** | **Venue:**  **Bluejeans room ID** [**https://bluejeans.com/176732843**](https://bluejeans.com/176732843) | **ASC mailing address:**  **asc@higna.org.uk** |
| **Website:** [**www.higna.org.uk**](http://www.higna.org.uk) |  | |
| **Number of groups and meetings: 7 Meetings per week**  **Sunday: 7pm JFT T/D. Venue** [**https://bluejeans.com/754367039**](https://bluejeans.com/754367039)  **Monday: 1pm JFT T/D. Venue,** [**https://bluejeans.com/770876670**](https://bluejeans.com/770876670)  **Tuesday: 7pm Ask it Basket. Venue,** [**https://bluejeans.com/452423020**](https://bluejeans.com/452423020)  **Wednesday: 1pm Step. Venue,** [**https://bluejeans.com/108569655**](https://bluejeans.com/108569655)  **Wednesday: 6pm. Women’s Meeting, Venue,** [**https://bluejeans.com/523020336**](https://bluejeans.com/523020336) **New meeting**  **Thursday: 6:30pm In times of Illness. Venue,** [**https://bluejeans.com/401351412**](https://bluejeans.com/401351412)  **Friday: 7pm Living Clean T/D. Venue,** [**https://bluejeans.com/437955547**](https://bluejeans.com/437955547)  **Saturday: Speaker Venue,** [**https://bluejeans.com/438737301**](https://bluejeans.com/438737301)  All the above meetings are well supported with an attendance of between 15 to 25 members. | | |
| **Sub-committee activities:** We currently have no standing sub-committees and address specific service needs on an ad hoc basis as and when they arise by drawing on the experience of group members as required.  We now have an elected H&I representative, Jim B from Preston, and are communicating with UKH&I about that member who is disabled being able to attend UKH&I committee meetings virtually.  Please list H&I meetings: 0 | | |
| **Events: Past and Upcoming Events:**  The Saturday 6pm meeting linked to the Edenborough and Lothians Convention on February 9th by taking a slot in their Marathon meeting room. We understand that there were 8 members present in the convention who gave great feedback on the experience of attending an online meeting. Many thanks to the members of their convention committee who were able to set that up at their end.  We have been invited to the Florida Service Symposium [http:/naflorida.org/florida-service-symposium/](http://naflorida.org/florida-service-symposium/) in Tampa again this year to present our workshop on Remote Recovery Services & Virtual meetings on Friday the 22nd of March starting at 6pm (UK time) which will include a link up to our regularly scheduled Friday 7pm Living clean topic discussion meeting <https://bluejeans.com/437955547> For anyone interested in participating that room will be open during the workshop from 6pm UK time with a 30 minute follow up session after the meeting.  **Online Convention:** We are currently considering the logistics of putting together a collaborative service effort to create the first ever Online NA convention hopefully sometime in the next 12 to 18 months and will keep Region informed as to our progress or not with that possibility. | | |
| **Additional information:**  We have started the conversation with the UKH&I committee about our H&I representative attending their committee meetings online.  **Website report:** [**www.higna.org.uk**](http://www.higna.org.uk)  SSL Certificate added to upgrade the domain to https providing added security and the ability to meet new standards across search engines making the site more discoverable. All issues arising from that upgrade have now been resolved and the site is running well.  The update to WordPress v 5.3 caused a few compatibility issues which have now all been resolved.  Meetings are being added and or amended as required and a new section listing US meetings has been added.  A new “Group News” menu page has been created to clean up the “about us page” in order to make it more readable on mobile devices.  A new domain has been acquired and added to the server to facilitate the installation and development of an adapted version of the meetings search engine, the BMLT. This ongoing project will enable us to develop and provide a searchable list of all virtual, online and Phoneline meetings across the fellowship, it will be viewable in several languages with search criteria based on day, time and platform etc. | | |
| **Current financial status:**  **Opening** **Balance: £1,168.77**  *(As of the date of this report)*:  **Prudent Reserve: £1000.00**  **Surplus Balance: £168.77**  **RCM Expenses to attend March Region: £470.00**  **Closing balance: £697.14 *(£302.86 below prudent reserve)***  ***(Request to region for RCM expenses: £302.86)***  **Donation to Region: £0** | | |

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| **Summary for presentation at Region:**  All our meetings are running well. We are beginning to coalesce as we meet the new challenges of being a virtual ASC.  **Responses to action points from RSC:**  **Vison UKSO.**  **Our conscience is to adopt option 1 with an amendment to ensure that the new location have enough space to safely house the UKNA Archives.**   1. **UKSO moves to a new location providing the same services as it does now with space to house the UKNA Archive.**   **Questions for Region:**  The registration of HIGNA as a new ASC with NAWS was declined with an initial statement that NAWS do not register online service bodies, which statement has since been rescinded and we await the determination of the World Board. This brings up the larger issue regarding NAWS also not registering online meetings as they are not considered by them to be part of the service structure of NA. It has been suggested by NAWS that for this to change would require a motion be presented at the WSC for consideration by the fellowship as a whole to direct them to do so. Of note and up to this date NAWS have yet to provide any clear indication as to where the direction to not register such groups or service bodies came from initially. We would therefore ask for some clarity, guidance or suggestions from the Region and the RD as to what we should do next? Can we also ask if the Non geographic Farsi Area have had a similar experience or if they did submit a registration was it successful?  Treasury opening balance in January minutes reads **£21,684.01** email from Alt Treasurer of March 20th reads an opening balance of **£15,912.49** can we get some clarity as to why the difference?  In respect of our attendance at Region and that we have isolated, disabled or housebound members willing to serve, we would like to ask that some consideration be given to making that possible online via a VOIP platform?  ILF & S Steve A (acting RCM) HIGNA |