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GROUP REPRESENTATIVES: THIS LETTER CONTAINS IMPORTANT NEWS SO PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ IT IN FULL TO YOUR GROUPS

Dear Members,

I would like to update you with what happened at the most recent General Service Board (GSB) meeting. This letter and other information are also circulated directly to members who have signed up for the free eNewsletter. Simply visit the members' website www.al-anonuk.org.uk/members_resources and enter your email address to receive the eNewsletter.

The GSB met on 26th & 27th January 2018 at Hinsley Hall, Leeds. All Trustees attended.

New Trustees. It was a pleasure to welcome four new Trustees to the Board. Miriam MacGrath is the Regional Trustee for Eire and was also voted in as our new IAGSM (International Al-Anon General Services Meeting) Delegate. Carol Ashcroft is Regional Trustee, England North & North Wales, Linda Whetherly is the new Chairman of the PI Committee and Angela Lidster is the new Treasurer.

Legacy Project. I was able to report that, as agreed by all Delegates at Conference in September 2017, a PR professional has now been appointed to work part-time at GSO on developing our national PI strategy to raise awareness of Al-Anon. She will take up the post towards the end of February. A task force has been established to produce the new website. Thanks to everyone for all the ideas put forward by Areas through their Regional Trustees on how to spend the remainder of the legacy.

Facebook. We now have our Facebook page up and running. We'd love to hear what you think of it. You don't need to have a Facebook account to view it and you can enjoy some great shares. FAQs on maintaining your anonymity are available on the members' website. [FAQs on Social Media](#)

Banners. New roll-up, free-standing banners of the Twelve Steps and Traditions for Al-Anon (UK110 and UK111) and Alateen (UK112 and UK113) are now available to order from the eShop on the website. Price £39 each.

TEAM Events. We are delighted that TEAM events are becoming increasingly popular. There are three more scheduled for 2018:

Area 29 - 28th April 2018

Areas 18 & 20 - 9th June 2018

Area 9 - 3rd November 2018

General Secretary. Some of you may already be aware that Kim Anderson has resigned and is no longer at GSO. We are currently considering how best to fill the post and will advertise in the near future.

Trustee Vacancies. The following are the Trustee at Large and Regional Trustee vacancies to serve for a three-year term from January 2019:

Chairman, Executive Committee
Regional Trustee, England West and South Wales
Regional Trustee, Ireland North.

Application forms and further information about any of the above vacancies are available from GSO and your Area Delegate. Deadline for applications 14 May 2018 to GSO.

Conference Fee 2018. The GSB reviews the cost of sending Area Delegates to Conference each year. The equalised fee for 2018 has been calculated at £417.00.

Yours in Fellowship



Susie Little
Chairman, General Service Board