



# Plus Gazette

## A SUMMARY OF PLUS NATIONAL NEWS

### **National Federation of Plus Areas National Gazette**

#### **NEC meeting 29th July 2006**

##### **Election of National Officers**

There were no nominations for Training Officer, Internet Co-ordinator and AGM co-ordinator.

These posts remain open; nominations should be directed to the HGS, Emma Dunning e-mail [emma.dunning@btopenworld.com](mailto:emma.dunning@btopenworld.com) for election at the November NEC meeting.

##### **Rules of Engagement for events**

Dave Filer has put together a draft document outlining the rules for the organisation of large scale events. The NEC agreed this provisionally. Following discussion at the Areas the finalized document is to be approved at the November NEC meeting and included in the NEC procedures document.

##### **Annual General Meeting 2007**

This is to take place on Saturday 24th February 2007 at Warwickshire County Council Staff Club, Northgate House, Northgate Street, Warwick CV34 4SP starting at 10:00 a.m. and finishing at 6:00 p.m.

##### **Brean 2007**

East Anglia Area and Midland Area each agreed to stake Brean 2007. Adam Redshaw, Brean 2006 Co-ordinator will put together a Brean 2007 budget for the November NEC meeting.

##### **Web Site**

The NEC agreed that National Publicity Officer, Kirsty Van Lieshout head a project team to create a CMS (Content Management System) web site to promote Plus to prospective new members. Richard Morton has agreed to develop the code, with Mark Hewson helping with the content and John Smith helping with the design of the new web site.

The NEC also agreed to purchase the domain name [plusgroups.org.uk](http://plusgroups.org.uk) and if available [plusgroups.org](http://plusgroups.org).

##### **Re-branding - Logo - Corporate Style**

The NEC has adopted a new logo from over twenty submissions. This is to be used in National publications and web sites. (See above).

Areas and Groups are to be encouraged to use the new logo as well and it is to be published on the web site. The logo may be used in any colour scheme.

<http://18plus.org.uk/logos/>

## **New Members Evening “Back to School” Week**

National Publicity Officer, Kirsty Van Lieshout has put together a Step by Step guide to the Back to School Week (Monday 2nd to Friday 6th October 2006). Areas and Groups are encouraged to join this campaign.

[http://18plus.org.uk/national-activities/new\\_members\\_week/](http://18plus.org.uk/national-activities/new_members_week/)

It is planned to launch the new web site as part of this promotion.

## **National Business Plan**

The NEC wish to put together a National three or five year plan, we would like to involve everyone as this would give a plan for the organisation as a whole. It should have individual strategy's included i.e. Publicity, Training, Activities, etc and cover National, Areas and Groups.

As the plan is for the whole of the Federation, input will be sought from everyone. We ask that everyone start discussing what Plus should be in three or five years time and what we need to do to get there.

Emma Dunning  
Honorary General Secretary

John A Smith  
National Chairman