# Minutes of a Board Meeting of the Penistone FM Board held remotely on the 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Present: K.Barna (K.B.) S.Dobson (S.D.)

D. Holmes (D.H.)

B.Robinson (B.R.)

J. Ruston (J.R.)

A.Millner (A.M.)

C.O'Rourke (C.O.)

M. Sugden (M.S.)

The meeting opened at 19.30 hrs.

K.B. was in the chair for this meeting.

## Meeting Opening

1.a Apologies – none

1.b Minutes of Board Meeting – the minutes of the meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> of March were approved.

1.c Matters arising – there were no matters arising.

The normal order of business was suspended to allow the board time to discuss the issues which had been deferred to accommodate the work on the issues raised by the national lockdown which was imposed on the  $23^{rd}$  of March.

During the meeting the board discussed progress around

#### **Grant Applications**

#### Awards for All – Myriad System Update

K.B. reported to the board that the funding had been received that day.

B.R. requested permission to order some of the equipment being funded by the grant. The board approved this.

M.S. Reported that he had contacted the supplier to get an understanding of the differences between the quote requested in 2019 and the updated quote in 2020. The 2019 quote had been for a different version of the system.

D.H. offered to look at the comparison to guide the board on whether the benefits of the features being quoted in 2020 were worth the cost difference.

The board also discussed -

- the costs of a 4<sup>th</sup> licence
- the need for the remote Outside Broadcast licence
- the computer equipment needed to run the system software
- the specification of the monitors being suggested as a replacement for the current monitors

The board decided to get purchase all the above.

### **TNL - Our Community Matters**

The board discussed the current plan to support local groups and the isolated in the area. The board approved the production of a promotion asking voluntary groups to contact the station with updates to their plans and activities.

The board discussed a recorded interview with the local MP about the Love Thy Penistone initiative. It was decided that due to its length the interview would be cut in to two smaller interviews.

#### A.O.B.

A.M. asked if there any hardware available to allow more presenters to remote voice track. It was agreed that B.R. could look at sourcing some more to accommodate this if there was a clear commitment from somebody to deliver a programme with it.

Meeting closed at 20:30 hrs

Next Meeting – date agreed for the 28h April 2020.