

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON
11 June 2009 AT LONDON PROBATION, 71-73 GREAT PETER STREET,
LONDON SW1**

Present: Alan Wooderson – Chair, Mike Fisher, Stan Hardy, Joe Kuipers,
Brenda Palmer.

Attending from PA: Norma Beechey, Mike Caldwell, Neil Lampert, Nigel
Spencer and Jo Whyte.

1. Welcome, Apologies and Conflicts of Interest

Apologies had been received from Lesley Bessant, Julie Dent, Chas Dowden, Ian Fox, Christine Goldstraw, Alan Harrison, Roy Male and Clifton Robinson.

2. Council Meeting

Business to be taken in the Council meeting was considered as follows:

- The substantive item would be the Management of Change. Christine Lawrie and Norma Beechey would give a presentation detailing the progress of the negotiations and the implications of the agreement. It was envisaged that a discussion would take place on the make-up and remit of the employers side of the NNC.
- With regard to the Trust Position Statement, Council would be asked if they were happy with the latest draft and what the next steps should be. Joe Kuipers had produced an alternative draft for possible circulation but he felt Christine Lawrie had adequately incorporated all of his points into the latest version of her paper and he was happy for that alone to go forward to Council.
- Alan Wooderson explained that Item 8 on the Daily Attendance Rate would be a conflict of interest for all Council members but that it would nevertheless be discussed. Item 9 on the Election of the Chair was a conflict of interest for him and he would leave the meeting during the discussion.
- Alan Wooderson would be raising the Sonnex case for discussion in order to explain to Council why PA had not made any public statements on the matter.

The Board agreed that it was right that PA was able to speak generally on behalf of boards and trusts but not on the specifics of a case such as Sonnex. The Chair would seek the agreement of Council to establish this as a principle and would introduce a discussion on the lessons to be learned from Sonnex for other areas.

- Alan Wooderson would also report on his recent meeting with Jack Straw.

3. Any Other Business

Joe Kuipers wished it to be minuted that he was working on a short term contract in the MoJ's Criminal Justice Group for the Women's Strategy Unit. This was not a conflict of interest.

4. Date of Next Meeting

The next full Board meeting would take place on 30 July 2009.