**Suffolk Lullaby Trust; minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15th January 2024**

Via Zoom

Those present: Derek Dunstone, Sally Nice, Andrea Corser, Sally Dunstone and DI Rachel Francis

Apologies were received from Mark Hughes, Rebecca Molisso and Christopher Boothby.

The minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and were approved by the committee.

Matters Arising

Fundraising

Sally intends to hold a car boot sale over the spring/summer 2024 - any donations for the car boot welcome – please contact Sally.

Befriending

Sally Nice continues befriending on the national helpline 3 times or more each month, as well as being available locally. Derek has undertaken the training to become a befriender and has two fathers he is currently speaking to.

SIDS Update/Protocol

Rachel recently attended a 4 day SUDIC course, and feels better prepared to speak with and help bereaved parents.

CONI Update

Andrea confirmed that manufacturers of sleep monitors are giving free monitors to all CONI parents

Website Update

Derek will keep the website updated.

Treasurers Report

The accounts regarding the year end 31st March 2023 have now been audited by Mark Rolfe (independent auditor).

Via the Big Give, £2774, was donated December 2023 to the Lullaby Trust, which was doubled and gift aid added, making an incredible £6200 donation.

This left a balance of £35.04, which will be forwarded to the Lullaby Trust HQ. The accounts from 1st April 2023 to 31st January 2024 will then be audited.

AOB

As discussed at the last meeting in June 2023, we are proposing that this will be the last meeting of Suffolk Lullaby Trust. The web page will have a summary of this decision, and that all monies (past and future) will be sent to HQ. Derek Dunstone and Sally Nice will keep their contact details on the web page for the foreseeable future, so they are available if required. Christopher Boothby (our President) has given his blessing for this change, and all the committee agreed with this course of action.

We are proud to have been the last remaining local group for many years. We wish for everyone to know we intend, going forward, to be an informal friendship group, available to the local police and any organization or parent that wishes to reach out to us for advice or friendship.

Derek thanked Sally Nice for all her work on the National Helpline, befriending locally and for being a stalwart of our committee. Derek also thanked Sally Dunstone for taking the minutes, Andrea for being our CONI health visitor and treasurer. Thanks also to our president Christopher Boothby, who has supported us for many years. Derek also thanked all past committee members, for their support, hard work and fundraising. A special thanks also to the late Jill Staddon, our foundling member, who worked tirelessly for the group for many years.

It was suggested that we would meet up for an informal lunch in the Spring and for this to continue going forward.

The last meeting of Suffolk Lullaby Trust was closed.