

## Lanarkshire Epilepsy Support Group

### Constitutional Change

#### **Explanatory Note:**

When the Group was formally constituted in 2012, it was registered as a Scottish Charity under simplest and most straight forward procedure available, i.e. an ***unincorporated charity***. This format places legal limits on what the organisation can do and leaves the Management Committee members financially liable, but as we had no grant funding, no assets and employed no staff, so this was quite appropriate at the time.

The Management Committee feel that the organisation has grown to the extent that we now need to make the change to a different constitutional format, a ***Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO)***, that avoids these limitations. This change will be accomplished by applying to the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) to establish a new SCIO, to be called '**Lanarkshire Epilepsy**' and, when this has been agreed, transferring all assets and liabilities and winding-up the existing charity.

Under our existing constitution, these actions will require a two-thirds majority of a meeting of members and we are required to give a minimum of 21 days' notice of this meeting, together with the terms of the proposed resolution. Accordingly, we hereby give notice that the meeting will be held after our AGM at 7pm on 19/09/18, at Avonbridge Hotel, Hamilton ML3 7DB. The proposed resolution is attached, herewith.

Phil Robinson, Treasurer (on behalf of the Management Committee)