

ACTION NOTES OF ZOOM MEETING OF BRANCHES

21/11/20

A number of SHA branches met on 21st November, having been invited by the Officers, to agree ways of learning from each other, building local campaigns and improving communication with Central Council.

BRANCHES AND NATIONS REPRESENTED:

Yorkshire, Chester, Oxford, West Midlands, East of England, SHA Cymru, SHA Scotland

Apologies were received from SHA London later in the day.

ACTION POINTS

- A WhatsApp group will be set up for those branches and devolved nations who want to keep in touch with each other.
- A quarterly meeting of branches and devolved nations will be organised by branches
- A private section of the SHA website will be used by branches and devolved nations to exchange ideas and experiences
- National SHA will notify branches and the SHA membership about work with the Shadow Team. SHA Cymru and Scotland to be involved if they can add advice to the Shadow Team about relevant experience in the devolved nations.
- Branches and devolved nations will try and respond to calls for local action on national campaigns such as the SHA/KONP social care campaign. That will be easier if the national campaign can provide resources for branches to use. Some national campaigns may not be relevant to the devolved nations.

Other issues to be pursued:

- The relationship between SHA delegates and CLPs. To be discussed with Mark Ladbrook.
- How best SHA can influence the National Policy Forum. To be discussed with Ruth Milsom

CONCLUSION

This was a positive meeting with a clear set of ideas for branches and devolved nations to take forward together. No Central Council agreement is needed to make these happen.

These are simple ways by which the work of branches and devolved nations can be enhanced, celebrated and disseminated.