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## East Midlands Solace Annual General Meeting Minutes 12 June 2007 at The De Vere Belton Woods Hotel, Grantham

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<p>1. <b>Members present:</b> Simon Bovey (Chair), Duncan Kerr (Honorary Secretary), Robert Moreland, Alan Mellor, Lynn Aisbett, Ian Fytche, Terry Huggin, David Fannin, Paul Crowson, Sushel Ohri, Ruth Marlow</p> <p>2. <b>Apologies:</b> Phil Hawkins</p>									
<p>3. <b>Notes of the AGM held on 22 May 2006:</b> were agreed.</p>									
<p>4. <b>Chairman's Report:</b> Simon Bovey introduced his report which reviewed the new style of themed based branch meetings, the new national SOLACE financial procedures, model branch constitutions and our branch website (<a href="http://www.solaceeastmidlands.org.uk">www.solaceeastmidlands.org.uk</a>) which we need to populate.</p> <p>5. <b>Treasurer's Report and Branch Fees:</b> Alan Mellor explained the new financial arrangements with SOLACE nationally holding the branch's account. The accounts for the financial year 2006/7 were agreed. It was agreed not to levy a local subscription for members and to look to raise income through the events programme. It was noted that the branch receives an income from SOLACE nationally (subvention fee) based on the number of members we have.</p>									
<p>6. <b>Branch Constitution for adoption:</b> We discussed the model branch constitution and agreed that a quorum for general meetings would be five members and that five members would be needed to call for an additional branch meeting to be held. We then agreed the revised constitution.</p>									
<p>7. <b>Election of Officers:</b> Nominations were sought and the following members were appointed to serve for 12 months.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;"><b>Chair</b></td> <td style="width: 50%;"><b>Simon Bovey</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Vice Chair</b></td> <td><b>Lynn Aisbett</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Honorary Secretary and</b></td> <td><b>Robert Moreland</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Branch Development Officer</b></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Simon Bovey</b>	<b>Vice Chair</b>	<b>Lynn Aisbett</b>	<b>Honorary Secretary and</b>	<b>Robert Moreland</b>	<b>Branch Development Officer</b>		
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<p><b>Honorary Treasurer Honorary Auditor National Council Representatives, plus a deputy</b></p>	<p><b>Allen Mellor Pete Murphy Simon Bovey and Ruth Marlow. Lynn Aisbett to deputise.</b></p>	
<p>The meeting thanked Duncan Kerr for his work during the year as Secretary and Branch Development Officer, and in organising the End to Targets master class which had attracted over 100 delegates.</p>		
<p><b>8. Date of next Branch Meetings: dates to be confirmed.</b> We are aiming to hold a meeting on 'Understanding the impact of City Regions' in October at De Montfort University, Leicester. A meeting in January/February will look at Sustainability and dealing with Climate Change.</p>		<p><b>RM</b></p>