

**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF EIGHTEEN PLUS GROUPS**

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**Sixty-fourth Annual National Conference to be held at The Britannia Hotel,  
Coventry on Saturday 22nd to Sunday 23rd April 2006**

Assemble from 12.30pm for a 1.00pm start on Saturday

The Conference will close no later than 5.00pm on Sunday

**AGENDA**

1. Chairman welcomes the delegates to the Conference.
2. Opening of Conference by National Chairman.
3. The Presidential address by Gerry Edwards, Vice-president.
4. Election of Tellers.
  - 4.1 Nomination of four volunteers from the body of observers
  - 4.2 Determination of Voting Strength
5. Election of ballot paper counters.
  - Nomination of two volunteers from the body of observers
6. Apologies for Absence.
7. Acceptance of the Minutes of the sixty-third Annual National Conference, held at The Britannia Hotel, Coventry on the 16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> April 2005.
8. Matters arising thereon.
9. Presentation and Acceptance of the Federation's Report for the year 2005
10. Presentation and Acceptance of the Federation's Accounts for the year ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 2005
11. Acceptance of the Report of the Accountants.
12. Election of the National Chairman to serve from Tuesday 23rd May 2006

**NOTE: This section is the personal proposal and questions from the floor, which will take place towards the end of the Saturday session. Voting will be by ballot paper on Sunday morning and the results will be announced during Sunday afternoon.**

**13. Election of National Officers to serve from Tuesday 23rd May 2006**

- 13.1 Honorary General Secretary
- 13.2 National Finance Officer
- 13.3 Plus News Editor / Publications Officer
- 13.4 Training Officer
- 13.5 Internet Co-Ordinator
- 13.6 Public Relations Officer

**NOTE: Nominations for the above positions have been circularised with the Agenda. Time for questions from the floor will be at the Chairman's discretion. Voting will take place by ballot on Sunday morning and the results will be announced during Sunday afternoon.**

**14 Presentation on the New Constitutions ,Standing Orders for the National , Area Tiers and Groups  
East Anglia Area Chairman and National Training Officer**

15 Presentation by WASH Committee on WASH 2006

**16 Motions Tabled for Debate**

16.1 That the value "sixty five per cent" replaces the value "seventy five per cent" in Article 17.1.2 of the National Constitution for the duration of the conference

Proposed: NEC

[75% majority will be required for this motion to be passed]

16.2 This Conference adopts the new

- National Constitution
- National Standing Orders
- Model Area Constitution
- Group Constitution

as per the attached documentation with effect from the close of business of this conference

Proposed NEC

[This is a constitutional motion requiring substantial majority indicated by the result of motion 14.1]

Notes to groups related motion 14.2

When accepted, the following changes will apply as at the close of business of this Conference.

- The current National Constitution will be replaced in its entirety by this new National Constitution.
- The current National Standing Orders will be replaced in its entirety by this new National Standing Orders
- Any current Area Standing Orders will remain active unless they are in conflict with these new documents . Where conflict exists, this must be addressed at the next Area Meeting.
- Any current Group Standing Orders will remain active unless they are in conflict with these new documents. Where conflict exists this must be addressed at the next Group AGM
- All current Area Constitutions will be replaced by this new Area Constitution as per clause 5.8 of the current National Constitution
- All current Group Constitutions will be replaced by this new Group Constitution as per clause 3.3c of the National Constitution
- All current documentation is identified as “Adopted at the 1992 Annual National Conference 29 March 1992, Minehead, Somerset and as revised at subsequent ANC’S.

## 17 Group Motions

### 17.1

**That the name of the Federation be changed by removing the word “Eighteen” from the title. This name change is to be adopted from the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2006 and shall amend all relevant entries in the National Constitution and standing orders; Area Constitution and standing orders ; Group Constitutions and standing orders ; Second-Tier Group Constitution and standing orders.**

The Federation is on the brink of major change to fall in line with the Area Lead Option that was voted on at the last ANC in 2005. With the closure of the office as part of the adopted motion, all branded stationery and publicity material will need to be amended to reflect the new Flextel number and address when this is known. As a result, this is the perfect opportunity to change the name without incurring extra costs and remove the federation from inaccurate association with the adult industry and the damage this does to the reputation of the Federation. The “Eighteen” in the title is misleading and often discourages potential new members and portrays the wrong image. The proposal is that the “Eighteen” is dropped from the name across the board. The intention of this motion is not to change the constitutions in any other way so groups such as “So’ton Friends” could still retain their group name, but “Southern Area Eighteen Plus” would become “Southern Area Plus”

Proposed by Barkingside 18 Plus Group

Seconded by Thurrock 18 Plus Group

## 17.2

**That the National constitution be amended to allow for the provision to extend the participation at the Annual General Meeting to the groups by inserting the following wording into the National Constitution.**

### 7.12 PROVISION TO EXTEND PARTICIPATION AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO THE GROUPS

7.12.1 The NEC may by a majority resolution, invite individuals who are members of groups of the Member Areas (hereinafter: "Group Delegates") to attend the AGM of the Federation, PROVIDED THAT:

7.12.1.1 Every such group is so invited;

7.12.1.2 There shall be no more than two Group Delegates from one such group;

7.12.1.3 Group Delegates will be entitled to vote on the business of the NEC, in which case, the Area Representatives shall be required to vote in such a way as to reflect the votes of Group Delegates.

7.12.1.4 In all votes mentioned under 7.12.1.3,

7.12.1.4.1 Where the matter affects this constitution, the Area Representatives shall only vote in favour of a motion which is passed with a 75% majority of the Group Delegates;

7.12.1.4.2 For all other matters, the Area Representatives shall vote as indicated by the majority of the Group Delegates.

7.12.2 Where a resolution under 7.12.1 is so passed, business of the November Ordinary Meeting of the NEC shall not be required to be considered by Member Areas at their Conferences immediately preceding the AGM.

This motion is purely intended to allow flexibility in the new constitution by giving the Federation the ability to extend the participation at the Annual General Meeting to the Groups should there be the will or the requirement to do so in the future. This motion in itself does not automatically mean groups will be invited to provide delegates. But merely gives the Federation the ability to extend the participation in the future should that be the will by majority resolution.

[This is a constitutional motion requiring substantial majority indicated by the result of motion 14.1]

Proposed Barkingside 18 Plus Group

Seconded Coventry 18 Plus Group

**17.3 To extend the participation at the next Annual General Meeting to the groups in line with the provision outlined in newly created 7.12 of the new national constitution.**

This motion is intended to allow groups to send up to two delegates to the next Annual General Meeting. The intention would be to hold the Annual General Meeting at an accessible location that is cost-effective i.e. not requiring any additional levies to the Area's or Groups, but allowing the important input and networking from the groups. The intention would be to hold this over one day negating the need for the current trappings of a hotel and dinner dance that has made the current Annual National Conference so costly.

Proposed by Barkingside 18 Plus Group

Seconded Coventry 18 Plus Group  
[This requires a simple majority]

17.4

The motion is to enact the following changes:

- 1] To enable any person to join the National Federation of 18 Plus Groups who is 18 years old and above
- 2] All current second tier [ Quest] Groups gain the status of full member groups and their members full membership status
- 3] To permit a new tier to be set up, 18-35 year olds. The new tier would have all the rights of current members and groups. Members of the 18- 35 tier may assist and attend the original tier events; 18-35 tier event organisers will decide on whether the event is for 18-35 tier members or members of both tiers.
- 4] The 18-35 tier may at any time set up Area committees to mirror the Area Committees in the existing tier and may set-up extra Areas with National Executive approval. Each and every Area committee will be entitled to all the privileges, representation and charges that an Area committee provides

Proposed So'ton Friends      Seconded by Lichfield Eighteen Plus  
[This motion requires a substantial majority as indicated by the result of motion 14.1]

18 Facility for National Debate.

18.3 Membership Composition by Gary Schimmer of Hillingdon 18 Plus Group  
Discussion about the participation of over 36 year olds in the running of the organisation etc

19 Announcement of election results of the National Chairman to serve from Tuesday May 23rd 2005.

20 Announcement of the election results of the National Officers to serve from Tuesday 23rd May 2005.

21 National Chairman's Address.

22 Presentation of Trophies

22.1 Excellence Awards

22.2 National Chairman's Merit Award

22.3 The Linda Street "Spirit of 18 Plus" Award

22.4 Treasurer's Trophy

22.5 Charities Trophy

22.6 Gold Trail Trophy

22.7 National Recruitment Trophy

22.8 Best New Group

22.9 Norbury Trophy

22.10 The Charles Padgham Training Trophy

22.11 Development Certificate

22.12 The President's Trophy (Best Group)

"Cobb Dual Purpose 2-pint Jug Mug" (Best Area)

23 Election of Honorary Senior Officials

24:1 Vice-Presidents

24:2 Honorary Life Members

24 Appointment of the Accountants.

25 Any Other Urgent Business.

26 Announcement of the date and venue of the General Meeting 2007

27 Presidential Closing Address by Gerry Edwards Vice-president.

28 Closure of Conference by the National Chairman.