

Charity No 1155945

Patron: The Right Reverend Karen Gorham, Bishop of Sherborne

18th December 2017

Dear Friend and Supporter

We are writing to invite you to the AGM of Routes to Roots (Poole) CIO), which will be held on Tuesday 9th January 2018 from 7pm at Skinner Street URC.

Since Routes to Roots first became a registered charity in 2002 our work has become more widely acknowledged and accepted in the town. Our operations are centered at Skinner Street URC from where we give assistance to those in need – vulnerably housed as well as homeless people. This includes: two lunch time drop-ins with light lunch, two evening drop-ins with cooked meal, breakfast vouchers for rough sleepers from December to March, one to one support for benefits claims, calls to agencies, doctors, landlords, etc., one to one professional counseling, referrals to other agencies, postal care-of address, access to landline telephone, chiropodist and hairdressing services, clothing, toiletries, sleeping bags, food, etc.

We have also continued to provide supported accommodation in Poole, through a partnership with a national charity Green Pastures.

Thank you so much for your support, and we also ask for your prayers for all our supporters, workers and volunteers, and especially for the homeless and vulnerably housed.

With many thanks

Yours sincerely,

Elaine

Elaine Mellers, R2R Administrator on behalf of Rev'd Pat Southgate

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the members of Routes to Roots (Poole) CIO, Charity No 1155945, will be held on Tuesday 9th January 2018 commencing at 7pm at The United Reformed Church, Skinner Street, Poole, BH15 1RQ. As Tuesday is one of our usual drop-in evenings, you are invited to meet our volunteers and clients for refreshments and/or a meal at the close of the meeting. The meeting is called to consider the following:

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Opening Prayer
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the previous AGM of Routes to Roots, Charity No 1155945, held on 13th October 2016
4. Trustees' Annual Report from the Chair
5. Treasurer's Report and adoption of Accounts for 2016/17
6. Elect/ Re-elect Trustees: Pat Southgate; Kate Mellor; Andrew Teale; Lucy Holt; Martin Finch
7. Elect/re-elect Chair
8. Elect Executive Member: Joshua Hale (Hon Secretary). The Hon Treasurer role is vacant at present
9. Any other business