



## UPDATE FOR OUR CHURCH PARTNERS APRIL 2021

Dear Friends,

We continue to thank God for your prayers and support which have been greatly appreciated as, like so many others, we have faced the challenges and restrictions of Covid-19.

We are delighted to be able to report that after Easter we were able to re-open **The Living Rooms** at 5 Garthway Arcade for Renew Wellbeing sessions operating within the government's Covid secure guidelines for support groups. Please see the separate flyer for details.

During Lockdown our Trustees and Operations Group have continued to meet regularly because there are legal, financial and administrative responsibilities to fulfil. We have also been reviewing the way we are organised as a charity because we have some exciting developments in the pipeline and the team responsible for The Living Rooms is quite small. Already too much is asked of too few. The development of TLR and its services **depends on more volunteers joining the team**. Listed below is the range of skills and experience we can make full use of.

Struggles with mental wellbeing are increasingly prevalent. **Would you please look carefully at the details below** and ask whether you, or someone you know, might think about joining one of our teams helping to give transformative support? We depend on our volunteers and we value them, giving training and ongoing support. You can enquire without any obligation by contacting **Jo Swain** our Development Co-ordinator: [jswain@thelivingrooms.org.uk](mailto:jswain@thelivingrooms.org.uk) Mob: 07483 426920

<p><b>Governance</b> Governance e.g.in education or charity sectors Development of organisational strategy Administration and/or secretarial Mental health services Safeguarding and employment legislation, recruitment and oversight</p> <p><b>Finance and Property</b> Financial procedures, budgeting and accounts, not necessarily in the charity sector Maintenance of property and the commissioning of utility services. Practical DIY skills</p>	<p><b>Publicity and Fundraising</b> Fund raising and/or making charitable grant applications Production of magazines or newsletters An interest in creative writing Use of social media e.g. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram The creation and maintenance of websites</p> <p><b>Operations</b> Volunteers to share in the teams hosting our Renew Wellbeing sessions</p>
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With our grateful thanks for your continuing support of this project which offers so much to our visitors.

*Ian Johnson*

On behalf of the Trustees