

19th August 2024

Good morning,

I hope that you have all managed to take at least a few days to recharge the batteries over the summer. We have enjoyed so much of what South Wales has on offer including emergency services' festivals, ice cream on the beach and fending off airbus sized seagulls from our fish and chips. If you need any travel tips for visiting my beautiful part of the world, or continuing your travels that brought you to UK conference in Newport, please reach out as it would be my pleasure to chat!

I just wanted to quickly update you regarding the LMC Support network's proposal at GPDF's AGM which was the subject of one of my recent newsletters. I have spoken to Peter Higgins and Michael Wright regarding the project and they had planned for there to be a vote regarding LMCSN funding at GPDF's AGM on 5th September 2024. The LMCSN team have informed me that, following the questionnaire which was circulated to LMCs recently, what LMCs wanted from the project four years ago is not the same as now and therefore will be amended in line with these new requirements. In order for the LMCSN proposal to be scrutinised and voted on at the GPDF AGM, a new proposal containing a business plan and governance framework which fit with the desires of LMCs would have needed to be submitted by 14th August 2024 to comply with the deadline for submission of GPDF's AGM documentation. It was therefore agreed that the proposal should be postponed to allow for sufficient time for LMCSN to undertake the necessary work.

It is my understanding that LMCSN will update you further regarding the progress of this project and I will be in touch with further details of any proposed motion at future EGM/AGM events.

Take care,



Dr Phil Cox

GPDF Chair