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Dear Member

By now you will have gathered from notices posted on the MSTC website, from the many newspaper reports and from fellow members of the Therapy Centre, that your voluntary board members have come in for some pretty wild criticism from a number of quarters and consequently, have resigned to leave the way open for you to elect a board of your choice.

However, we, the outgoing board, are not convinced that you have received a balanced view of events during the past year and this letter and accompanying package of information is sent to you at no cost whatsoever to the Therapy Centre. It contains:

- 1 A copy the board members' resignation letter, giving reasons for the resignation. This is backed by a recorded delivery letter and email to the manager, neither of which was answered.
- 2 A copy of the manager's original Job Description and the updated one, both of which clearly set out the manager's responsibilities for work and communication with the board.
- 3 The financial projections that gave rise to the concern expressed before and at the AGM on 22 October, updated at 27 November to reflect the current position. You will note that continuing with all the services and costs as at present, even with the anticipated increased Wilderness Challenge grant anticipated in December 2009, the company is forecast to slip into overdraft of (£4,469) in March 2010, recovers slightly in April and returns to overdraft in May for the remainder of 2010. Grants anticipated since 22 October 2009 indicate a shortfall by the end of 2010 of (£24,761), some £10,000 better than the previous widely-quoted estimate.
- 4 An outline of the key points drawn from the company's board minutes since October 2008, when the current board (with the exception of Janet Campbell, who joined in July 2009) was elected.

You may also have been told that the AGM on 22 October was unconstitutional. That is not the case as the minute shows. You may also have been told that the minute is not valid because it was not taken by the Company Secretary. That is not the case either. The minute was taken by the minute secretary, who was appointed to that position by the board (in the presence of the manager who is Company Secretary), in December 2008.

Whatever you may think, or have been told, or have come to believe, your outgoing board worked hard on your behalf. We wish you well and hope that the prospect of your fundraising 'friends of MS' project takes off and delivers what it is hoped to do.

Yours sincerely

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For the outgoing board members of MSTC Inverness