Circa and Disability Networks Combine

Local Charities CIRCA Isle of Man and Disability Networks are delighted to announce that the two charities have combined. CIRCA's Charities Directory was already a one-stop repository of information about Manx charities which helps individuals to identify and contact local charities quickly and easily to access available support in a time of need. Their face-to-face staff in CIRCA Centre also answer questions and provided paper information at Level 2, Chester Street Car Park, Douglas, IM2 2PG. Leading the office is new Centre Manager Lisa Sims.

Disability Networks has provided a wider directory of useful online local disability-related information to Manx residents and visitors alike for many years. The contents have recently all been refreshed to keep it current. See www.disabilitynetworks.info .

The aim is that the combining of the charities will further improve and streamline access to vital information for the people of the Isle of Man. To enable this, the charity Disability Networks has been dissolved. However, the name 'Disability Networks' and its website and facebook page will continue but as part of CIRCA, hence providing continuity for island residents and visitors.

CIRCA is grateful to Disability Networks' former Directors, Mr. Steve Coren, Mrs. Beth Martin, and Mr. Michael Riddell who have been instrumental in assisting with the amalgamation. Going forward both Steve and Beth will continue to be involved – Steve has previously joined the CIRCA Management Committee / Board. Beth will continue as a volunteer keeping the extensive information on the Disability Networks website and the Disability Networks facebook page up to date.

Meanwhile CIRCA will continue to provide their useful Shopmobility and Volunteer Placement Service as before. Further information about the charitable work of CIRCA Isle of Man can be found at https://www.circa.org.im .

For and on behalf of CIRCA

Lisa Sims, CIRCA Centre Manager