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# Troika news

*Ludi Simpson*

1. Advice to subgroups. The sheet drawn up by Ludi was agreed, but as guidelines rather than a constitution. For example an established subgroup does not always refer public activities to the Troika for approval. The guidelines will appear in RS50 (this issue) so that the AGM can comment on and change them if it wants to.
2. London Hazards Centre. Use of their address has worked well and has been renewed for another year, same cost of £50. Ludi to put together a list of phone numbers of subgroup contacts and others who have said they'll be public contacts in particular areas.
3. Promotion leaflet and new members. There has been a steady trickle of about five new members monthly from distribution of the promo by members and from an exchange mailing with the Socialist Health Association; more expected from Andrew's mailing to academic departments, which has a short covering letter aimed simply to get the secretary/head of department to put the leaflet on a noticeboard. Some 2,500 leaflets have been distributed in 1991.
4. Lies, Damned Lies ... broadsheets. Material urgently needed to get them on the streets well before a general election, but just one set of material, on measuring national income, has been received so far: promises on education, health spending, poverty. Production team ready and waiting.
5. RS49/50. Plenty of material but only after much chasing and thus delayed printing. Costs are disproportionately greater for recent thicker issues but within our budget.
6. New Troika members. Andrew, Christy, and Ludi have been on the Troika for 2 years now. New blood is needed whether or not any stand down.

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