Dear Baby Milk Action Member,

I am writing on behalf of the Board of Directors to thank you for your valuable support over the last year and to extend a warm invitation to our Annual General Meeting. There is a lot to hear about and discuss from our ongoing work for more transparent and better marketing regulations to protect all families, however they feed their children.

Patti Rundall, Policy Director, will talk about our international work with WHO and UNICEF, and Mike Brady, Campaigns and Networking Coordinator, will provide an update on campaigns in the UK and present the new Look What They're Doing in the UK monitoring report, which has already prompted some changes in company marketing policies and practices.

As part of the official business of the AGM we will be electing the Board of Directors for the coming year who will help us carry out our responsibilities (see enclosed papers). As always we are keen to appoint new Directors, so contact Jennie Evans at the office for details of how to submit a nomination (or any issue you would like to be discussed). Anyone proposed as a Director will be asked to provide details of two referees and to make a small presentation at the meeting. If the meeting agrees to the new appointment, the person will have to sign a confidentiality and conflicts of interests declaration (see inside AGM notice).

Raising funds for our work remains as challenging as ever, so we will be devoting time in the afternoon to discuss the current situation. Attracting appropriate grant funding for the type of work we do continues to be difficult, so income from membership and merchandise remains essential. However, we are continually cutting back on paid staff time so it’s important that we allow time to have a frank discussion on the future of Baby Milk Action at the AGM. Leaflets explaining our work are enclosed for you to pass to anyone who you think might like to join. I very much look forward to meeting everyone.

With best wishes,

Jane Neesam, Chair of the Board of Directors

DON’T FORGET:

● to send us your email address and let us know if you are happy to receive information by email in future – saves planet, time and money!
● to send in nominations for the 2017 Julie Crawford Award – open to health visitors or health visiting teams

Deadline 3rd May. For details see: www.babyfeedinglawgroup.org.uk/bflg/juliecrawfordaward

I / We will / will not be attending the 2017 AGM

Name
Address
Postcode
Phone

Lunch is required (£6 pp)..........................Vegetarian / vegan

Children are welcome but please be aware that there will be no formal creche facilities available.

Do you have a friend who would be interested in joining Baby Milk Action?

Let us know and we'll send them information about our work.

Name
Address
Postcode
Baby Milk Action
Annual General Meeting

The Signal Box, The Emerald Building, off Fitzwilliam Road, Cambridge, CB2 8DS (seven-minute walk from the Railway Station - see map)

Agenda

11:00: AGM Official Business
11:45: Presentation of 2017 Julie Crawford Award for Breastfeeding Support
12:00: LUNCH
12:45: Mike Brady – Campaigns Review and Look What They’re Doing in the UK monitoring project presentation
13:15: Patti Rundall – national and international Policy and conflicts of interest.
14:00: COFFEE BREAK
14:15: Funding and the future

Approaching The Signal Box from Fitzwilliam Road:

Go to the end of Clarendon Road. Turn left onto Fitzwilliam Road into the development called Kaleidoscope. The photo left is what you’ll see when you’ve turned the corner. The Signal Box is circled in the photo. The entrance is on the left side of the building.

Travel information
www.thesignalbox.org/findus.html

Car parking: Use park-and-ride or there is a multi-storey carpark on Clifton Rd and metered parking on Shaftesbury Rd and Clarendon Rd.

Bus: Take any park-and-ride or city bus to the Railway Station.

From the station: Turn left as you come out of Cambridge station and keep on the left side of the road, passing the bus stops. Beyond the bus stops, keep left and pass under the bridge to where the guided bus way begins. You will see a large banner for the Signal Box on the car park fence directly ahead of you. Turn onto the path to your right and in 100 metres you will reach the Signal Box Centre.

Voting at Meetings/appointing a proxy

Any ordinary member (or the representative of an affiliate member) is entitled to vote on any matter arising. If a member wishes to vote but cannot attend a meeting, a letter appointing a proxy (who must be a member and can be the Chair of Directors) should be delivered to Baby Milk Action head office not less than 48 hours before the AGM. Please complete the section below or send a letter in the same format:

I __________________ of ____________________________ (affiliate member, if appropriate); a member of Baby Milk Action, hereby appoint ________________________________ to vote for me on my behalf at the AGM on 13 May 2017.

As witness my hand on ________________________________ (please date).

Signed ________________________________

NB On a vote of hands, the proxy shall have no vote. The Articles of Association state that only paid up members are eligible to vote. The Memorandum and Articles of Association which explain the rights of members are available on request. The register of members is available for viewing at Baby Milk Action Head Office: Baby Milk Action, 4 Brooklands Avenue, Cambridge, CB2 8BB.