

Meeting: Senior Forum

Date: 18th November 2014 **Time**: 6.00pm

Location: The Town Hall, Bridestones Suite, Congleton.

In attendance:- A.Baines (Cheshire Action), Donald Bone(Sandbach Partnership), Liz Shaw (CAB), Deb Lindop & Liz Alcock (CEBC), E.Wray (Shop Mobility), S.Foster (Congleton Partnership), A.Holland (New Life Church), J.Myatt (Friends In Retirement), Mike Smith (Congleton Partnership), M.Williamson (Congleton Partnership), L.Daniels (CVS Cheshire East) Lee Malkin(Everybody Sports & Recreation)

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1	Welcome & Apologies	
	Steve Foster (Chair Congleton Partnership) opened the meeting by welcoming the new members. The members then introduced themselves to each other.	Apologies were received from: D.Anderson (AgeUK Cheshire East) ,G.Williams & Usman Ashiq (Plus Dane)
	Steve explained that the main item agenda for this evening was to review what we covered last time, look at the issues in more detail and try to select a couple of them to work on between now and the next meeting.	
2.	Matters Arising (30.914).	
	Item 3. Paragraph about your organisation.	
	Thanks to all who sent their information to Mike, the document has been issued to all	

	who registered interest or attended the first meeting. We are still awaiting information from the following organisations:- Carers Trust 4 All. U3A. DIB. Plus Dane (Neighbourhood Investor. Friends In Retirement. Would you please send this through to Mike so that it can be included in the document.	Let MS have a paragraph about your organisation
3.	The Way Forward. Steve took us through the 3 question we addressed last meeting and discussed each issue in more detail. The areas and issues were as follows:- Gaps in Provision.	
	Social Isolation Groups, lack of transport- taxi provision –wheel chair access-cost, Bus Routes, do health services know what is out there and could they prescribe the use of some of these, Communications process –paper –e.mail- newsletter, Wheel Chair Access ,Care/carers, Infrastructure considering the towns expected growth over the next few years, Good neighbour support, rural community inclusion, Hub Concept, Knowledge about what various providers/organisations offer. Mental Health.	
	How we work together.	
	Ask Senior Residents what they want, Identify Groups that have synergy and get them working closely, Awareness of provision –who-where-when, Avoid duplication, Links to statutory services, One stop "shop" for information, share facilities/ training,	

Social / Networking of Events

How do we communicate with residents.

Put together a network mechanism, Leaflet drop, Follow up telephone call/visits, Local Media, Patient Panels, GP Services, Comprehensive Booklet / Directory, Events calendar, Articles in local papers, newsletter, Cheshire East, Partnership Website, U3A website.

Following discussion the priorities and actions agreed were:-.

(a) Reintroduce a Newsletter.

L.Daniels to let Mike know the cost of this project based on past experience **S.Foster** to then pursue funding, initially through CEBC's payback fund. He will discuss the content of the letter with D.Lindop before sending to S.Cordon.

D.Lindop to work with **L.Daniels** in putting the first draft issue together. Hopefully have some draft prepared for the next meeting 27.1.15

(b) Develop a Senior Activity / Services / Events Directory.

D.Lindop and **A.Baines** to do initial work on this. Look to involve Age UK. Need to form a small working party/task and finish team DL & AB pull this together. **LD** and **LS** interested in being involved, possibility Victoria from AgeUK.

Further Actions.

MMW to talk to Roz Broad (Readesmore Practice) about being the 'health care' representative on the forum.

LD let MS have costings

SF write to S.Cordon

DL work with LD on first draft

DL and AB work on directory. Put together a task and finish group

MMW speak to Roz Broad

	LD to contact the 'Ageing Well' in Cheshire East team with a view to their support and possible presentation at our next meeting.	LD contact Ageing Well	
	LS to discuss the possibility of Victoria (AgeUK) being involved with Dominic Anderson.	LS speak to D.Anderson	
	Liz Shaw also to speak to Adrian Lindop (Crewe Senior Forum) re attending our next meeting and advising us how they are operating in Crewe.	LS speak to A.Lindop	
4.	Elect a chair / vice chair.		
	This will be done at a future meeting when hopefully someone may well come forward to take up this role as interest in / benefit of the group grows.		
5.	A.O.B		
	Community Mini Bus. Andy Holland indicated that he would be happy to look after the admin side of running the mini bus. GW is currently working on the operational procedure and will contact Andy to talk through his support.	GW to talk to AH regarding mini bus admin.	
	Health Engagement Event 2015. D.Lindop to send the programme through to MS for circulation.	DL send Health Engagement Event info to MS	
	Celebrating 'Seniors' Day. MMW suggested that we should look to put on an event to celebrate being a 'Senior' in 2016, similar to the Celebrating Youth Day planned for July 2015.		
6.	Date of the next meeting.		
	Tuesday 27 th January 2015		
	Bridestones Suite, Congleton Town Hall, 6.00 to 8.00pm		