



Meeting : Senior Forum No 5

Date : 28th April 2015

Time: 3pm

Location: The Town Hall, Spencer Suite, Congleton.

In attendance:- A.Baines (Cheshire Action), E.Wray (Shop Mobility), S.Foster (Congleton Partnership), A.Holland (New Life Church), J.Myatt (Friends In Retirement), Jackie MacArthur (taking Mike’s place and writing the minutes Congleton Town Council), Sheila Thompson and Richard Thompson (Congleton Disabled Club) Glen Williams (Community Transport item only)

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
	<p>Welcome & Apologies</p> <p>Steve Foster (Chair Congleton Partnership) opened the meeting by welcoming everyone, The members then introduced themselves to each other.</p>	<p>Apologies were received from: Mike Smith (partnership) Liz Shaw (CAB)</p>
2.	<p>Matters Arising (23.3.15).</p> <p><i>Friends In Retirement.</i></p> <p>Handed in some information to be added to the Providers Fact Sheet</p>	<p>JMacA to add to the Fact Sheet held by MS</p>
3.	<p>Community Transport .</p> <p>Glen Williams joined for this item. Reported positive feedback from New Life Church over the management of the current minibus. Have documented evidence on how it can work, what’s needed. Will launch to wider groups related to the partnership after the elections.</p>	<p>Glen to keep group informed</p>

Currently have one minibus which caters for 8 passengers plus wheelchair and is about 8-9 years old. We have also had notification that we will be receiving a brand new minibus via a Government scheme. This will be a 16 seater community minibus. A Community Mini Bus is Not a public service bus and is NOT providing community transport like Dial a Ride. It can be used by groups connected to the Partnership to enable their group to get around. Can drive on a current licence if held licence for over 20 years. New licences may require extra training. Drivers must be over 30 years old and under 70 years with no more than three points on their licence.

Will keep the group informed about the new minibus.

Questionnaire .

Discussed draft questionnaire. Purpose – to get some tangible evidence on what older people want, use and are interested in. Plus barriers to getting involved.

Going to distribute through various groups and organisations.

Use the questionnaire at the NLC event on 6 May – went through changes to the questionnaire. Jackie to make the changes, get the sign off from Steve on Tuesday and give 100 copies to NLC for Wednesday.

No timescale on how long people have to fill in the questionnaire – may also use for the event in October

Drop In Event New Life Church – 6.5.15.

Flier with details sent over. Event in the Main Hall of NLC. Hoping to have displays and tables from Fire Service, Blood pressure checking, hand massage. Alyssa will be attending. 2-4 people from the Disabled club hope to attend and have information

Glen left the meeting

Jackie Mac to make changes to Questionnaire
Steve to sign off questionnaire
Jackie to print and get to NLC

<p>with them. Send a reminder to people via Mike's lists.</p> <p>Steve Foster to contact Age UK – Dominic Anderson about supporting the event</p> <p>Flier to go on the noticeboards</p> <p>Need some pens – Andy to see if any at NLC - if not Town Hall to loan pens</p> <p>Luncheon Club/Friendship Club Visits</p> <p>To learn from the event on the 6 May and discuss at next meeting</p> <p>Senior Health Fayre 1 October</p> <p>Part of Health and Well Being Week. Aim is to get a number of people together on that date – not sure if still will be Deb Lindop or passed to Lisa Allcock or Donna Peddy. Donna due back from Maternity leave soon</p> <p>AOB</p> <p>Disabled Group asked about sending our leaflets – advised that Mike Smith can help with electronic distribution.</p> <p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 23 June 3-5pm Congleton Town Hall</p>	<p>Steve Foster</p> <p>Jackie Mac</p> <p>Jackie Mac</p> <p>Carry forward</p> <p>Jackie to book a room</p>
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