

**Meeting:** Dementia Friendly Congleton Group 4<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

**Date**: 16.1.18 **Time:** 2.00pm

Location: Old Saw Mill.

In attendance:- Mike Smith, Diane Ritherdon, Steve Foster, Clare Sheard, Kathy Slater, S.Jacklin, S.Munro (Chair) Jess

McFall, Johnny Gorman

**Guest: Alison Wakefield (Alzheimer's Society)** 

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1	Welcome & Apologies	
	Meeting was chaired by Steve Foster.  Round Robin of introductions for new members and guests.	Apologies were received from :A.Bignell,C Halsey, Debbie Callow, Rev Murry George,
		G.Williams,J.MacArthur, L.Deakin,M.Butcher,J.Norton,
2.	Minutes / Matters Arising from the last meeting (12.12.17)	
	Item 4. Dementia Statistics for Congleton. Figs received from Cheshire East were estimates from 2014 giving the number at 5042 (whole of Cheshire East) raising to 6710 by 2020. Clare Sheard debated these figs trying to get them down to a more local level. We ended up with 950e (Congleton Local Area) and 450e	
	(Congleton as a town).	
	Item 5. Diane has contacted Ann-Marie Snelson re getting a list of local Champions. Work in progress. Jess to set up champion workshop. We need to fill in the document MS circulated to build	

up a "need" for a local workshop.

Item 5. S.Foster to write to CEBC leader regarding the closure/future. Steve wrote prior to xmas to both the leader and ward members as yet has not received a reply. Sent a copy to Guy Kilminster (16.1.17) who has recorded receipt and will take it to R.Bailey (CEBC Leader). Clare has an example of a local council supporting a group to take over an ex NHS centre.

F.Bruce MP has made representation to CEBC.

Need to form a sub group once reply received from CEBC and put together a business plan.

## 3. Engaging Business / Town Council – J.MacArthur.

2 x Dementia Friends sessions held for staff and councillors, 18 new DF as a result. Jackie to arrange sessions with shops/trader groups etc from January onwards. Pavilion has agreed to host sessions.

Plan is to approach could be Rotary, WI, Hairdressers, Dtrs Surgeries etc.

Jackie unable to make this meeting due to Royal |Visit priority / workload.

## Dementia Friends Awareness Sessions.

Sessions planned:-

4.

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb – F.Bruce and team.(Full)

Wed 7th Feb – Lawton House Practice and Readesmore Practice. (Diane .R/ Jess)

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> / Sun 11th Feb – Congleton Museum (Diane.R) - Space Available

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Feb Congleton Library (Sarah.J) – Space Available

Tues 20 Mar New Life Church (WI) inc Twiddle Muff knitting. (Sarah.J) – Closed group.

If you know of anyone interested in attending these please contact the champions running the sessions as indicated.

MS send out updated registration sheet inc agreement for Photo/Publicity.

Send MS a record of the numbers of new Dementia Following the sessions. MS to keep a running total.

	Need to contact The Rotary (Jackie M), Team Parish (Kathy Slater), Meadowside (MS), Care Homes (Sarah Jacklin)	Please note contact responsibilities	
5.	Drop In Sessions / \activity Programme.		
	Full programme issued last week. Still have free days to fill ( Mon / Tues)		
	Old Saw Mill (OSM) Afternoon Tea and Activities (every other Wed starting 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb) 2pm to 4pm.		
	MS put together a poster and issue to all for displaying wherever we can generate interest for this event.	All members look to find activities for Afternoon Tea Sessions at OSM.	
	Would members please contact organisations / individuals who may be able to provide some activities for these sessions. We are okay until and including 21Mar but will need activity from 4 <sup>th</sup> April (fortnightly) onwards.		
	Please let MS know if you have arranged anything so that it can go on the calendar.		
	Kathy Slater to discuss with The Chappell Centre Mossley regarding some Mon /Tues activity.	KS talk to Chappell Ctr	
	<i>Inclusive Swim Sessions.</i> First one disappointing turnout, however the staff were great. Need to get the message out about these sessions, next 3 are Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 3 <sup>rd</sup> March and 21 <sup>st</sup> April.		
6	Pledges / Recognition		
		MS/JMcF 17.1.18	
	MS to work with Jess McFall on applying to Alzheimer's Society for recognition as working towards a dementia friendly town, and look at the pledges we need to agree on the support this happening.		
	MS report back to the group.		
7.	Press Releases.		
	We now have agreement for a dedicated column in The Chronicle which will include a header/logo. Diane looking to have a weekly input so will need all the detail and news we can pass to her.		

We have renamed the group to "Dementia Friendly Congleton Group" this will be used in our communications

Logo below will be used until Diane /schools design one for us.



Working towards a Dementia Friendly Congleton

Meeting Finished at:3.45pm

**Next Meeting:- Tuesday 13th Feb** 

Future Meeting Monthly until end of March then look to move to 2 monthly. Next two meetings are :- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. 2.00pm, Old Saw Mill.