

Meeting : Dementia Friendly Congleton Group 5nd Meeting

Date: Tuesday 13.2.18 **Time:** 2.00pm

Location: Old Saw Mill.

In attendance:- Mike Smith, Diane Ritherdon, Steve Foster, Clare Sheard, Sarah Jacklin, Susan Munro (Chair) Jess McFall, Jackie MacArthur, Mark Gleave, Jenny Norton, Peter Aston, Wendy Cotterill

Guest: Suzy Firkin

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1	Welcome & Apologies	
	Meeting was chaired by Susan Munro	Apologies were received from :A.Bignell,C Halsey,
	Round Robin of introductions for new members and guests.	G.Williams, J.Gorman
		L.Deakin,M.Butcher
2.	Minutes / Matters Arising from the last meeting (16.1.18)	
	The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record of the last meeting.	
	Item 5. S.Foster to write to CEBC leader regarding the closure/future.	
	A letter of reply has now been received from Cllr Bailey which has been circulated to the group. Clare's article in The Chronicle was well received, hopefully it will generate some support and comments from residents / users. Further discussion on future plans later in the meeting.	

3.	Engaging Business / Town Council – J.MacArthur.	
	Now the Royal visit pressure has passed Jackie is looking to get out to businesses to bring them on board. Diane to let Jackie have a list of dates that she could do. Desnie Ward (Top nosh) has indicated that she will try to organise something with the traders on West St, possibly use the fire station as the venue.	DR let JMac have dates
	Jackie contact Rotary	
	Some businesses/ banks have got involved, MS to log on the running report.	
4.	Dementia Friends Awareness Sessions.	
	DF Target for 2018 is (250)	
	MS to issue a log recording numbers and businesses / organisations involved.	
	Sessions currently planned :-	
	Wed 7 th March – Meadowside Medical Centre (DR) Tues 20 Mar - New Life Church (WI) inc Twiddle Muff knitting. (Sarah.J). Mon 26 th Feb – Mossley (TBC)	
	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.	
	SF/MG to contact The Tennis Club. D.McGifford (outside of the meeting) to contact N.Moorhouse (Dane Mill Business Ctr / Congleton Town Football Club)	SF/MG Tennis Club D.McG contact
	Care Homes – wait until after the budget meeting at Cheshire East. Care Homes can approach The Alzheimer's Soc for professional guidance.	N.Moorhouse
	Add to The Youth Forum agenda, Diane happy to come along and set the scene for 10minutes.	G.Williams Youth
	Kathy Slater was going to contact Team Parish?	Forum agenda

·.	Drop In Sessions / Activity Programme.	
	An updated programme issued prior to the meeting. We are only capturing a small amount of what is happening in and around Congleton.	
	MS write out for more information about activities being offered to all of the community centres, look at the possibility of a monthly or bi-monthly leaflet being produced. J.Mac to look at this	
	Broaden activity away from Dementia although brand subtlety when required.	JMac to look at
	PA to log what is going on at the OSM afternoon tea events and let MS have the figures.	leaflet idea.
	Ideas for activities:- Big Card Bingo, Memory Photos (museum could lend us a pack), Blowing Big Bubbles, Music and Sing a long Songs (Jess will send PA some examples)	
	Jess to contact Rev Murray George re the new service being set up at United Reform Church from March.	Jess send Peter some sing a long
	Sarah Jacklin to contact Julie Hagan (East Cheshire Hospice) re a wellbeing course for carers and patients. Possible invite Julie to the March DFC Meeting.	examples. Jess contact Rev Murray George.
	Talking Newspaper. Contact Lynn 01270 760104	
	Choral Soc/ Can't Sind Choir – M.Butcher may know a contact?	Sarah to contact Julie Hagan.
	<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 th Feb, 3 rd March and 21 st April. Please display posters and talk to as many people as possible about this opportunity.	M.Butcher, can't sing choir contact
	AOB.	
	Mountview / Respite Care.	
	Clare was approach by The Chronicle for comments around the possible closure of Mountview, this was duly printed and has resulted in quite a lot of feedback and cries for help.	
	They were aware of F.Bruce's interest.	

Suzy Firkin, her father uses this service contacted Clare to explain how vital the service is and her commitment to once again work on trying to keep the site open.

It was felt that we needed to put together a subgroup to work on what sort of services we would like to see provided for residents, how we could support in delivering them and what we would like from Cheshire East.

There is a Carer Engagement Meeting 5th March at Holmes Chapel, Suzy is happy to attend and make a statement on their behalf.

Subgroup to meet after our next Dementia Friends Meeting and CEBC's budget decision.

Group to be made up of :- S.Foster, M.Smith, C.Sheard, S.Firkin, S.Munro and P.Aston.

MS arrange a meeting after 13th March.

Tesco Bags Of Hope.

SM advised the group that she has put in an application for funding to support our Afternoon Tea activity.

Future Learn online courses.

SM advised the group that self-learn courses on a wide range of Health and Wellbeing go to www.futurelearn.com/courses/

Meeting Finished at:4.00pm

Next Meeting:- Tuesday 13th March

Future Meeting Monthly until end of March then look to move to 2 monthly.

2.00pm, Old Saw Mill.