



Meeting : Dementia Friendly Congleton Group 20th Meeting

Date : Wednesday 21st Jan 2020 **Time:** 2.00pm

Location: Congleton Town Hall.

In attendance:- Mike Smith, Diane Ritherdon, Adriana Jaracz, Chris Daly, Clare Sheard, Martha Hayes, Mike Drew,

David Morris, Wendy Townley, Glen Williams, Holly Stewart, Helen Williams, Kath Sage, Muktadir Khan, Michaela Galley, Peter Munro, Samantha Iken, Val Burlison.

Guest:

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1	<p><u>Welcome & Apologies</u></p> <p>Meeting was chaired by D.Ritherdon</p> <p>Round robin to introduce new members.</p> <p>Apologies from Dr Sarah Fox ,she will rebook in near future.</p>	<p>Apologies were received from S.Munro, B.Morley S.Foster, W.Cotterill,A.Bignell, James Groves Pam Lovett Margaret Butcher. Cllr S Holland</p>
2.	<p><u>Minutes / Matters Arising from the last meeting (20.11.19)</u></p> <p><i>The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record of the last meeting.</i></p> <p>Item 2. Churches Together Criteria. Clare and Chris are working together to develop a plan to make our churches more dementia friendly. They have drawn up a list of important aspects and planning to hold a</p>	

conference at New Life Church on Saturday Sept 19th. September is World Alzheimer's Month.

They have contact with a couple of charities who can support this training. One being Louise Mores of the Pilgrims' Friend Society. Louise worked on a book with Jennifer Bute (*Dementia From The Inside*) a doctor living with dementia. 3 seminars planned for the day which should leave us with plans and ideas of what we need to do for our churches and care homes.

The seminars will be free of charge, donations will be welcome. Rev Murray George has offered his support in the project, Chris to contact our care homes.

Item 2. CEBC Care Directory. Anna to send copy of Cheshire East Care directory to help Chris in contacting them.

Item 2. Chance to Dance. Now organised for 26th March, Heathview ,£2 , let Wendy know if you are attending.

Item 3. Manchester Research Centre- Dr Sarah Fox, unable to attend through illness she will rebook either Mar 19th or May 17th.

Item 3. Rare Dementia Group from Salford (Frontotemporal Dementia) . Chris has made contact with this group and is hoping to get Dr Jackie Kindell (Speech and Language Therapist) to come along and speak to use later in the year. This could be either 19th Mar or 17th May (see above)

Item 4. Cheshire East Dementia Strategy Group. Chaired by Jo Cliffe the group is working on developing a Dementia Strategy for CEBC. Diane is currently answering a consultation document that has gone around a selected audience, once the replies are in and collated a further .wider consultation document will be circulated.

Val to check if respite care is involved.

Actioned.

Let Wendy know if attending.

DR

CD

VB

	<p>Item 5 – Winter Edition of the Gentle Activities Leaflet. This is available to take away today, MS will also circulate electronically.</p>	<p>MS</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p><u>Dementia Friends Sessions.</u></p> <p>Tgt of 1000 Friends achieved, need to set a new tgt for 2020. Some sessions already planned for 2020, need to add Stocks at the Pavilion. Chris currently visiting businesses which will hopefully bring in more interested parties.</p> <p>Session being carried out for Town Councillors Thursday 6th Feb.</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p><u>Chatty Café Scheme.</u></p> <p>We now have two cafes featuring “ Chatter and Natter “ tables.</p> <p>Bear Grylls café (Fairground carpark) - Table available every day they are open Stocks at The Pavilion (Congleton Park) – Every Wednesday 11am to 4pm.</p> <p>Look for the blue signage and start a conversation, you may be the first person someone will have spoken to all week. Both these locations are now featured on the website www.thechattycafescheme.co.uk</p> <p>We will look to encourage other cafes to join during this year.</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p>Business awards / business development.</p> <p>Chris is working hard on developing new businesses to add to those already recognised as working to become Dementia Friendly. She has 5 audits currently being carried out/ tbc, with numerous new contacts she is following up.</p> <p>The group decided that when a business meets the criteria for displaying a sticker, the sticker should be awarded immediately, with recognition being posted in our Chronicle column to mark their achievement.</p> <p>A photo at the time of awarding would be most useful and more likely to get support in The Chronicle as against just a written report.</p>	

6.	<p>Dementia Buddy Scheme</p> <p>Still a little disappointing with take up in the low teens. Will keep working at it. We now have “dummy” items for use at Dementia Friends Sessions</p> <p>Another suggestion was that we should add the Christian name of the person likely to take the phone call, this would make it more personal and less intimidating.</p> <p>David felt it was worth another attendance at the Makers market, Martha to book the stall for March, and arrange for a further supply of forms to be printed.</p>	MH
----	--	----

7.	<p>Tesco Sunflower Scheme.</p> <p>Both Congleton branches of Tesco are involved in the Sunflower Scheme. Anyone with a hidden disability and requiring support can pick up a Sunflower lanyard at reception/ checkout and by wearing the lanyard make staff aware that some support may be required. Lanyard are for the person to keep and can be used in any Tesco store.</p> <p>MS circulated some examples at the meeting.</p> <p>It was reported that other businesses were starting to adopt this idea, Manchester Airport and M& S were mentioned.</p>	
----	--	--

8.	<p>A.O.B</p> <p>Dementia Ward Macclesfield Hospital. MS try and find out more about it. MS circulate email received from S.Ragdale. Still more information needed.</p> <p>Michaela agreed to try and find out where doctors sent Dementia patients to for treatment/ initial assessment.</p> <p>Val to try and come up with a diagrammatic view of where / what stages patients progress through the system. It would also be useful if we could have figs of people living with dementia in Congleton.</p>	<p>MS check out new ward.</p> <p>Michaela to follow up.</p> <p>Val.</p>
----	---	---

9.	Meeting finished at 3.45pm Next Meetings :- Tuesday 17th March and Tuesday 19th May. 2020 - 2pm to 4pm.	

