



Meeting : Dementia Friendly Congleton Group 23rd Meeting

Date : Wed 18.5.21 **Time:** 1.30pm

Location: via Zoom

In attendance:- Mike Smith, Diane Ritherdon, Adriana Jaracz, Clare Sheard, Wendy Townley, Glen Williams, Helen Williams, Elizabeth Stubbs. J.Norton, D.Coxon, S.Jacklin.

Guest: Philip Hinde (Anna Bignell)

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1	<p><u>Welcome & Apologies</u></p> <p>Meeting was chaired by D.Ritherdon</p>	<p>Apologies were received from I.Enticott,J.Grove,D.Callow K.Linton,H.Weeks,S.Foster P.Houldsworth,J.Fishwick D.Morris.A.Bignell.</p>
2.	<p><u>Minutes / Matters Arising from the last meeting (24.3.21)</u></p> <p><i>The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record of the last meeting.</i></p> <p>Item 2. Relaunch of the Dementia Buddy Scheme. Information about the scheme to go out in the gift packs.</p> <p>Item 3 Improve social media coverage. DC organised an article for Bear Necessities and some social media coverage via facebook.</p> <p>Item 3. S.Munro - Knitting Wool. DR collected the wool from SM and has delivered it to 3 recipients.</p>	
3.	<p><u>PCSO Project – Working Group Update.</u></p>	

	<p>Press release gone out in The Chronicle, plus a social media report around the project from both Cheshire Police and Ourselves (Debbie).</p> <p>The Lions have already received a request for a gift pack.</p> <p>All 3 surgeries have been approached:- Requests for support todate are:- Lawton House- 20 Meadowside - 10 Readesmoor – 1 by default (still to action letters to patients) Heathview 5 Bear Necessities 7</p> <p>Items from Alzheimer’s Soc should be delivered by Thursday</p> <p>Packing – Fri/Sat at the Police Station</p> <p>AgeUK have printed us 80 of their activity packs.</p> <p>Clare to send MS a copy of the Sporting Pink Paper for consideration, MS circulated the group for feedback. DR has had a number of copies printed, plush some of Clare’s memory box guides</p> <p>Tesco and Morrisons have gifted some Puzzle Books and various other items.</p> <p>Diane thanked a number of our members for the support they have given:- Jo Fishwick, Liz Stubbs, David Morris, Debbie Coxon, Clare Sheard (hopefully I have not missed any) also thanks to our sponsors match funders, Congleton Lions,Plus Dane,Rotary Club, Town Trust and our Partners Cheshire Police. The meeting recorded its thanks to Diane for all of the heard work she has put onto this project.</p> <p>Debbie is currently working on the PR both pre and post delivery,social media and press.</p> <p>This is being recorded as our Dementia Week initiative.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Dementia Friendly Congleton – Relaunch.</u></p> <p>Whilst our normal activities and events are still some way off we can help raise awareness of dementia and the commitment that is needed to help improve treatments and support around this terrible disease.</p>	

	<p>MS to circulate links to Alzheimer's Soc Dementia Week Campaign, please support by signing the petition.</p> <p>Here's the links to our campaign for Dementia Action Week, although they can just be found on the front page of www.alzheimers.org.uk.</p> <p>https://action.alzheimers.org.uk/page/80202/petition/1?_ga=2.177939746.648310199.1621346810-789905164.1612273098https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/get-involved/dementia-action-week#film</p> <p>News just in- Congleton Cricket Club are restarting their Monday Company Corner 10am to 12pm</p> <p>MS to advise the group as things come on stream.</p>	MS
5.	<p><u>Swop Shop Project 2021</u></p> <p>Diane and Mike to discuss the idea of an activities/ games swop shop at Congleton Library with Mike Drew. This project will look to start once some of the Covid restrictions have been lifted. Currently the Library management are warm to the idea but detail needs working through.</p>	MS/DR and Mike Drew.

6.	<p>A.O.B</p> <p>Dr Sarah Fox – MMU Research Centre. Still unable to make contact with the centre, DR will keep trying as restrictions start to be removed.</p> <p>Besocial Day Care (Congleton). Liz Stubbs is getting some flyers regarding this service, MS will then circulate copies to you all. Detail at present is :-</p> <p><i>They are offering half days too which will be 8am – 1pm or 1pm till 6pm at a cost of £40. They are offering transport for all 15 people if required and this will be charged at £5 for pick up and drop off or £2.50 for just drop off. They are able to take people who have support needs, ie toileting etc but currently wouldn't be able to support people that are permanently in a wheelchair due to facilities.</i></p> <p>There was no other business</p>	MS
7.	Meeting finished at 2.35pm	

	Next Meetings :- Tuesday 20th July, Congleton Town hall, 1.30pm.	
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