

**Calne Older People and Carers Voices  
Update and Recommendations to Calne Area Board  
29<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**Purpose of the report:**

- 1. To note the discussions of the meeting held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018**
- 2. To consider the recommendation for Health and Wellbeing funding.**

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- Notes from the meeting held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018 at Calne Community Hub:

## **Calne Local Voices – for Older People and Carers**



Attendees: Frank Rumble (LINK), Gill Kosmyryk (Calne Day Centre, Monday Club), Trudy King (Calne Town Council), Diane Gooch (Older People/Carers Champion) and Jane Vaughan (Wiltshire Council CEM).  
Apologies: Les Stiff (Calne Community Transport) and Val Procter (Hilmarton)

- Feedback on activities going on in the Community Area:**

**Movement for the Mind** – A project being organised by Alzheimer’s Support at Marden House – it had been reported that this is not being well attended ...

**Celebrating Age** – An art based project for older people that the Area Board has contributed funding towards – There was a discussion about this project and some concerns expressed about additional funding/arrangement of transport and refreshments by the Health and Wellbeing fund. Also about promotion of activities and communication regarding planning of events. It was felt that the funding of transport and refreshments was an additional element of the project, which the Calne Voices had added in order to make the activities and events as broad reaching and inclusive as possible. Funding of refreshments was minimal as most was donated by volunteers as part of the Hub aspiration to hold Older People events in the Community Hub and Library. This money had been identified from the Older Person/Carers Champion facilitation fund.

*It was decided that DG, JV would request a meeting with the project manager and Carolyn Kennedy and Jo Smith from Libraries to discuss future communications and planning.*

The group also discussed the recent application to the Area Board for Health and Wellbeing funding to deliver a further Celebrating Age project in 2018/19. This application had been

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considered at the previous Health and Wellbeing group meeting and was recommended for approval.

The Calne Voices group agreed with this recommendation.

*JV/DG would advance this recommendation to the Area Board at it's next meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> May.*

**Volunteer's Fair** – An event being planned by the Older People's Champion in partnership with the Area Board, Calne Our Place Project, Calne Community Hub Volunteers and the Calne Dementia Action Alliance. JV and TK provided an update on plans so far. It was hoped that this would be a vibrant and community spirited event in the Community Hub that would coincide with the annual Calne summer festival. It would be themed on the book 'Treasure Island' and would provide invited local groups with opportunities to recruit new volunteers.

*The next meeting of the planning group would take place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May, following which invitations to groups would be sent out. Anyone able to volunteer to help at the event on the day was asked to get in touch with Jane Vaughan or Trudy King.*

- **New projects and activities being planned**

**Programme of older people's/carers activities** - We are trying to put together a calendar of activities in the community area. The group looked at the information gathered so far. Both as a calendar of activities from May to August and also as a spread sheet of groups and activities which would be used to help populate an on-line information page. (As discussed by Karen Wade at the Calne Health and Social Care Forum last week).

**'Dementia Friendly Walks'** - The Dementia Friendly Calne group is planning a series of guided walks that will be designed to enable people living with dementia to join in keeping active in a safe environment. DG reported progress on the planning of this project so far. It was hoped that it might be possible to submit an application to the Area Board before its next meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> May. The group was happy to be consulted about this project by email in order to make the deadline for that meeting.

**'Pub Club'/Community Transport** - A project that has been discussed before, but has not progressed because no volunteer has been found to lead on it – It was thought that there was still no volunteer identified and it was suggested that this should be dropped as a potential project at this time.

It was felt that, rather than a bespoke 'club' with pub visits, Community Transport may be willing to help investigate running some kind of shuttle service from the villages into town. GK suggested that some members of the Monday club struggle to get to a bank and suggested that this kind of project may be useful; using the community bus to bring people into town to have lunch, be able to use the cashpoint machine, do a bit of shopping, visit the library etc. It was felt there was a need to identify the times and days when the Community Transport bus is available for other trips. So that the group can find out what need there is on those days and times and estimate possible numbers of take up of any service offered. *DG and JV were due to meet Les Stiff and the Practice Managers from the 3 Town GP practices to discuss a shuttle between Town and the practices. They would raise this idea at that meeting.*

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- **Feedback from the Voices about what is going on in the Community Area (problems and actions).**

DG had received information from Val Procter at Hilmarton – where they wish to investigate a walking project in the village. There was a possibility this could be a joint project with the Men’s Shed providing benches and appropriate features for a wildlife area. – It was suggested that this would be a good project to apply to the Area Board for a Community Grant.

*DG would feedback information to Val and explain that it would be good to confirm the ownership of land that the features would be placed on, also to find out if the Parish Council would be prepared to make a small contribution and/or to confirm that they would undertake ongoing maintenance.*

Link: Frank reported Link Drivers have had several difficult experiences concerning clients with incontinence issues – unfortunately they are now having to request certain clients are accompanied by carers on their journeys.

Safe Places: There was a discussion about the current status of Safe Places in the Calne Community Area. TK and JV reported that this work has fallen to the CEM and they are currently trying to establish a volunteer co-ordinator. It was thought that the role might not be too onerous, however they were looking at what the Co-ordinator role entails.

2. Application for funding from the Calne Health & Wellbeing fund

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>
Wiltshire Music Centre	Celebrating Age (2)	£1,500

The first phase of this project was funded by the Calne Area Board in 2017. This phase will move to develop further opportunities for older people and carers to experience a variety of bespoke arts events and activities. In addition, the organisers plan to develop the sustainability of the project into the future.

The first Celebrating Age Project in Calne provided a series of well attended events and activities at the Calne Hub and various local organisations and private homes, with an aspiration to reach out to those people who experience accessibility issues.

The Calne Voices group had initially taken this application to the Calne Health and Wellbeing group, which had received a presentation from the applicant and submitted questions to them. The application was scored using the system previously developed by the Calne Voices group and approved of by the Area Board:

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**Calne Older Peoples/Carers Voices Grant Scoring Sheet**

Organisation: Wiltshire Music Centre Amount Requested: £1,500

Project title: Celebrating Age, Wiltshire

Category:	Total mark available	Mark given:	Comments:
How well does the project/activity/programme meet local needs and priorities, is there evidence of this need?	10	7	
How well have older people and their carers been involved in the development of the project/ activity /programme?	10	6	
Will enough older people/carers benefit from their project / activity?	10	10	
How accessible is the activity/project for all (Disabled access, low incomes, vulnerable, socially isolated etc.)?	10	8	<b>It was suggested that there should be a focus on people living on a low income.</b>
How well will the project/activity safeguard the welfare of vulnerable people?	10	8	
How well has the applicant ensured that they will monitor and evaluate their project / activity involving older people and carers?	10	9	
<b>TOTAL</b> Benchmark is 30/60	<b>60</b>	<b>48</b>	

As such, the Calne Health and Wellbeing group recommend approval of the application for the Celebrating Age Project and this recommendation is supported by the Calne Older People and Carers Voices group.

**1. Background**

- 1.1. Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance The funding criteria and application forms are available on the council's website.

**2. Main Considerations**

- 2.1. Councillors will need to be satisfied that funding awarded in the 2017/2018 year is made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of it being awarded.
- 2.2. Councillors must ensure that the distribution of funding is in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Area Boards.
- 2.3. Councillors will need to be satisfied that the applications meet the Community Area Board grants criteria

**3. Environmental & Community Implications**

- 3.1. Health & Wellbeing grant funding will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

**4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1. Financial provision had been made to cover this expenditure.

**5. Legal Implications**

- 5.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

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**6. HR Implications**

6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

**7. Equality and Inclusion Implications**

7.1. Community Area Boards must fully consider the equality impacts of their decisions in order to meet the Council's Public Sector Equality Duty. Community Area Grants will give local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Council's equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes, where they meet the funding criteria.

**8. Safeguarding implications**

8.1. The Area Board has ensured that the necessary policies and procedures are in place to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults.

**9. Recommendations to the Area Board:**

9.1. **To note the discussions of the meeting of Calne Older People and Carers Voices held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018.**

9.2. **To consider the recommendation for Health and Wellbeing funding of £1,500 to the Wiltshire Music Centre in relation to the Celebrating Age Project.**

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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report

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