

Melksham Area Board - 8 September 2020 – Age Friendly resolutions

Recommendations:

1. The Area Board recognises the excellent work achieved by its partners in the Melksham COVID response team - the joint working in exceptional circumstances achieved with and between Melksham Town Council, Melksham Without Parish Council, Age Friendly Melksham and Melksham Area Board - and the outstanding contributions from community volunteers in the town and villages across the community area.
2. To record that Melksham Area Board, Melksham Without Parish Council and Age Friendly Melksham have all agreed the attached model entitled “Melksham Community Support: The Way Forward” which identifies the policy and operational roles of the local partner organisations as we move forward from COVID support into COVID recovery.
3. In particular, the Area Board recognises the ongoing role of Age Friendly Melksham CIC in operational support and service delivery to people without a support network, including those who are vulnerable, socially isolated, and/or with mobility issues.
4. To record that Melksham Area Board, Melksham Without Parish Council and Age Friendly Melksham have all agreed the use of the proposed consultancy funding towards the part-time post of Age Friendly Co-ordinator, in recognition of changed circumstances but in line with the original outcomes sought through the grant funding.
5. The Area Board recognises the contribution of £3,000 from the Melksham Seniors Group was to help with the production of a 3-year action plan for developing the Melksham Community Area’s role as an Age Friendly Community and recognises the importance that these funds are used for that purpose. The Area Board therefore designates these funds to pay for Age Friendly Melksham CIC to produce a 3-year Age Friendly Action Plan for the Melksham Community Area, working in partnership with Melksham Seniors, the Area Board and other stakeholders.