

MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD
MARLBOROUGH HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP
PROGRESS REPORT AND UPDATE OCTOBER 2022

The following report provides an update on the progress and plans of the Health and Wellbeing Group.

1. 'Relaunch' event – 7th October 2022

The Group has planned to expand its focus and membership following the Covid 19 pandemic with plans for a re-launch tea party to raise the profile and promote wider awareness of local support mechanisms for the client group.

The session was planned for 7th October 2022 and aimed to:

- publicise the role of the Health and Wellbeing Group
- invite new members to join the Group
- promote the availability of Health and Wellbeing grants
- facilitate networking between attendees
- develop a future work programme

MP Danny Kruger was invited to attend in addition to representatives from a range of local organisations associated with health and wellbeing in the widest sense including sports and leisure too.

The distinguished national Public Health clinician Sir Muir Gray CBE agreed to join us to introduce the national '**Live longer better**' Programme (<https://www.livelongerbetter.uk/>) as we explore the potential to launch the programme in the Marlborough area.

Thanks are due to Councillor Jane Davies and Andrew Jack who provided valuable support in organising the event.

A verbal update will be provided to the Area Board meeting.

2) New areas of focus

Other proposals will be pursued including;

- the appointment of an Older Persons and Carers' Champion (part time role),
- a mapping and gapping exercise to identify areas requiring further support
- exploring other sources of funding

Contact was established with the Pewsey Vale Health and Wellbeing Forum noting in particular the geographic proximity and shared medical partnership. An invitation to the 7th October event was offered too.

Jill Turner,

Chair, Marlborough Health and Wellbeing Group

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