

Report to	Calne Area Board
Date of Meeting	8 th December 2015
Title of Report	Dementia Friendly Calne Working group update/recommendations

Purpose of Report:

To ask the area board:

- To note that the group has met and information outlined in the following meeting notes.
- To note future plans to engage with young people in the Scouting organisation and local youth network in the Calne Community Area to raise dementia awareness.
- To note the latest Statistics relating to Dementia Friends in the Community Area.
- To note and identify recruits for Dementia Champions session in Chippenham.



Dementia Friends Working Group

Notes of the Working Group Meeting: 14 Oct 2015

Attendees: Cllr Christine Crisp (Wiltshire Council), Andrew Day (Alzheimer's Society), Clare Harris (Calne Town Council), Diane Gooch (Wiltshire and Swindon Users Network), David Evans (Calne Memory Club/Community Health and Social Care Forum), Tim Mason (Wiltshire Community Safety Forum), Jane Vaughan (Wiltshire Council - Calne Community Area Manager).

1. **Apologies:** Jeanette Hughes (Greensquare), Cllr Alan Hill (Wiltshire Council),

Notes of this meeting were taken by Jane Vaughan.

2. **Focus Points:** Discussing progress and developing actions relating to:

a. **Dementia Friends Sessions in the Community:**

- **The Town Council** – Beversbrook staff will attend the Greensquare session in November
- **At least one session in each Parish**

Cherhill PC were holding a Friends session on Saturday 17th October from 11 – 12, this had been well advertised. 3 have signed up on the DF website. CH would add a post to Facebook.
- CH would also email all the Parishes Clerks to request an item on the agenda at a future PC meeting.
- CC asked whether a briefing note could be drafted to enable her to speak about it at PC meetings.
- It was also suggested that Church Parochial Councils should be approached to attend sessions, or, where interest is high to host a session locally.
- **High Street businesses**
- **Sainsbury's** – DG reported that Sainsbury's is interested, but no date as yet. It was felt that it is probably not a good time of year to target high street – and was decided to go back to the high street in the New Year ... (Perhaps with a New Year Resolutions campaign?)
- **Greensquare** - JH had sent apologies to this meeting, but had sent a report that: trades staff meetings at Beversbrook and the meeting for 16.11.15 has been rescheduled. It was possible this was now to take place on either 23.11.15/30.11.15.

The meetings run from 8.00 am to 9.30am and it had been agreed that the talk could take place from 9.00am

Jeanette will provide exact date asap.

It was decided that JV would let Jeanette know

ACTIONS

CH to post comment to Facebook

CH to email parishes with details

JV would draft a briefing note based on letter to High St businesses.

DG to approach Sainsbury's again in the newyear.

All discuss New Year resolutions campaign at next meeting.

that Dementia Friends sessions take an hour to complete and ask whether this would still be incorporated into one of these meetings.

Jeanette had notified the group that she no longer covering the Calne Community Area but will attend the next meeting to introduce the new officer.

- **GP practices** DG reported that Northlands patients participation group have had 2 sessions only 3 people turned up to each session. The Dementia Friends working group was quite disappointed; felt that it hadn't been promoted very much by the surgery, although it was in the monthly newsletter.
- The group discussed that their main aim/priority was to make sure that front of house staff at the local GP surgeries were Dementia aware/friends. DG reported that Northlands and Beversbrook staff have had sessions but it was not known whether Patford Street had taken advantage of running a session.
- There was a discussion about engaging the Care co-ordinators in to the working group to act as a link. CH would write to all of the practices inviting them to send a rep to the group.
- **Young People**
- The group discussed the Scouts and Guides-Million Hands campaign (related to the community activities badge) which was aimed at creating young dementia friends – DE said he was due to visit the to visit the Cherhill troop and would talk to them about taking up this initiative.
- LYN session – It was noted that the LYN (Local Youth Network) session has not yet taken place. JV suggested that they are currently very busy helping to coordinate the December Area Board. The group decided to ask Helen Bradley (Community Youth Officer) /Natalie Viveash (Apprentice Youth Worker) to consider becoming Champions in order to roll out sessions to young people and also to identify and encourage young people dementia

JV contact JH (Greensquare) with requirements of a Dementia Friends Session.

CH to write to GP practice managers asking to consider sending a rep to the DF working group.

DE contact Cherhill Scouts

JV would liaise with the Community Youth Officer to arrange LYN session.

champions.

- **Women's Institute** - The group discussed the '100 year challenge' which they had sent to local WI groups acknowledging the centenary of the Women's Institute ... 3 positive responses had been received from the 6 local groups – Clare will email them again with a couple of dates for sessions in the New Year ... DG will liaise with Clare about dates. DE is speaking at the Cherhill WI tomorrow and will promote.

b. Support and promote the Memory Club.

DG reported that the Memory Club had a new recruit on its management committee, Pam Ollis from Alzheimer's Society.

The group needs help to identify more volunteers, to set up, help to provide refreshments and assist with the sessions. Include reference to Memory Club in 'press item'

TM reported that some of the members of the Memory group have been invited to act as Mystery shoppers for the Safe Places group to enhance that scheme. It was asked if they would provide feedback on the scheme so far.

3. Developing the overarching aim to become a dementia friendly community area:

- a. **Recruiting more Champions locally** CH reported that a Champions training session had been arranged on 11th February in Chippenham venue to be confirmed. CC and TM are aiming to undertake Champions training in Swindon/November, it was suggested that we try to get as many people as possible to sign up to Chippenham session and offer assistance with transport if people let us know in advance. Clare forward information to everyone who has expressed an interest in attending a session
- b. **Developing a Local Champions Network** - it was hoped that the champions session will form the start of the Champions Network in Calne.

4. Relationship to Safe Places (S.P.):

CH/DG liaise to arrange dates.

DE promote to the Cherhill WI.

CH send details to people who have expressed an interest in becoming Champions.

DE to talk to

TM reported that involvement in the Dementia Friends group had been raised at the most recent Safe Places meeting, it was felt that it would be desirable for a rep from the SP group to sit on the Dementia Friends group.

TM also introduced the Hearing loop scheme – Lets Loop – David Evans and Ivor Watkins are leading in Calne – it was felt that this links to Safe Places and also the Dementia Friends group. DE would see whether Marden House would support installing a loop for the Memory Club and put in an application to the Area Board. Also need to include information about hearing loops at Area Board meetings.

5. Recording/promoting sessions and achievements.

The group discussed the need to record and promote achievements. CC and JV would include stats at future Area Board updates.

TM would set up Calne DF facebook page, Clare would become an administrator on that page.

Clare will send out information about new sessions via posters and add to social media sites in future

All come back to next meeting to sort out a 'press' story for the New Year ... (New Year resolutions campaign).

6. Any other business:

The group discussed whether it could be involved in the December Area Board, focussed upon Young people's issues. It was felt that Dementia is an issue for young people in the community area, but the group felt that it was not currently in a position to deliver a specific stall at the event owing to the fact that most group members were involved in the event in other ways. It was decided to ask the LYN group to include information in its report to the area board about the planned young people's dementia friend's session and to promote opportunities to take part.

Marden House about the implementation of a hearing loop system.

JV to find out details of hearing loop system at Area Board meetings, to be announced at the start of each meeting.

DG to send revised stats. JV to include at next Area board Mtg.

TM/CH to action.

CH future action.

All

JV/CC ask LYN to help promote the future Young people's friend session at the Dec. Area Board.

7. Feedback to and recommendations for the Area Board.

- To note that this meeting had taken place and the actions included in these meeting notes.
- To note future plans to engage with young people in the Scouting organisation and local youth network in the Calne Community Area to raise dementia awareness.
- To note the latest Statistics relating to Dementia Friends in the Community Area:

DF Event:	Attendees
Total to November 2014	114
Kingston House, Derry Hill Session 18 Nov. 2014	22
Beversbrook Medical Centre, Calne, 16 Jan 2015	7
Beversbrook Surgery	14
Calne Councillors 02 Feb 2015	7
23 rd April 2015	17
14 th May 2015	21
9 th June	7
19 th October Cherhill Parish Council	19
Total Dementia Friends	277

- To note and identify recruits for Dementia Champions session in Chippenham.

Date of next meeting - 2nd December 2015
10am at Bank House, Calne