

Partner update for Corsham Area Board meeting, 23 July 2015
Good Neighbour Service – Corsham Community Area

Summary of service

A free, confidential, signposting service to help older people access the services needed to live safe, comfortable, fulfilling and independent lives. It is accessed by self-referral, referrals by agencies and visits to social groups. The service is offered one day a week in Corsham community area.

It aims to enable older people:

- Make informed decisions about their wellbeing and remain independent
- Keep safe and healthy
- Increase social interaction and inclusion
- Reduce confusion and inform best service choice

To help access services such as:

- Support for staying warm
- Befriending services and social activities
- Where to get advice on benefits
- Transport
- Healthcare needs, such as home adaptations to make life easier
- Fire safety checks and home security
- Getting jobs done around the home and garden by trusted trades people

Recent activity

As well as one to one client work and visits to local groups, recent activity has included attendance at Colerne summer fete; supporting Colerne coffee morning (which was set up by the local coordinator) and input to a local Men's Shed initiative with the Care Coordinator.

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