

MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD
MARLBOROUGH HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP
PROGRESS REPORT AND UPDATE JUNE 2024

1. Introduction

The following report provides an update on the progress and plans of the Health and Wellbeing Group with the main focus being the inaugural Open Day event on 6th July 2024 which will be taking place during the Wiltshire Council's month long focus on health.

2. Health & Wellbeing Open Day in St Peters' Church, 6th July 2024

2a) Aims The Day will provide an opportunity for a wide range of local health and care organisations; both statutory and non-statutory and other community groups to share information about their services and the support and facilities which are available for people in the local area. There will be opportunities for the public to ask questions and to enable networking and discussion and generally to raise awareness about health and wellbeing.

2b) Location. Following the unpredictable wet and windy weather that was experienced earlier in 2024 a decision was taken to relocate the event from an outdoor location (Priory Gardens) to St Peter's Church. Participating organisations will be provided with table space for displays of literature and materials in St Peter's Church and our Day will be opened by the Mayor of Marlborough.

2c) Publicity. Information about the event is being shared in advance of the Day using social and other media and relevant networks. A street artist will parade along the High Street at several times on the Day with music and posters to inform shoppers about the event. A therapy horse and Shetland pony from Greatwood Charity will be sited in the Church grounds and a choir and exercise class have been invited to join the event for additional publicity.

Other health related events will be taking place too in and around Marlborough High Street to promote health and wellbeing.

2d) Funding. £500 grant was approved to support the event by the Area Board was granted in March 2024 and a further application is requested to support publicity materials, the Street Artist and miscellaneous expenses.

Board members are warmly invited to join the event.

Jill Turner,

Chair, Marlborough Health and Wellbeing Group

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