



## Meeting : Senior Forum

**Date :** 12.1.16

**Time:** 3.00pm

**Location:** The Town Hall, Main Hall, Congleton.

**In attendance:-** E.Wray ( Shop Mobility), S.Foster (Congleton Partnership), J.Myatt (Friends In Retirement), Mike Smith (Congleton Partnership), S.Akers-Smith Chair /CTC), V.Lockett(AgeUK CE), Alyssa Baines (Cheshire Community Action) Lisa Alcock ( Cheshire east Community Team) Louise Daniels ( CVS ) Usman Ashiq ( Plus Dane)

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Apologies</b></p> <p>Steve welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Suzie Akers – Smith as the forums new Chair. Suzie introduced herself giving a brief outline of her past and current roles.</p> <p>Lisa Alcock ( Cheshire East Community Development Officer) was welcomed to the meeting, Lisa has now replaced Donna Peddie in this role.</p>	<p><b>Apologies were received from :</b>  R&amp;S Thompson (Congleton Disabled Club),L.Heyes (Plus Dane) K.Maren (Plus Dane)</p>
2.	<p><b>Minutes / Matters Arising from the last meeting (18.11.15)</b></p> <p><b>Item 3. Senior Health Fayre.</b> MS sent out Usman’s report as requested to all forum members.</p> <p><b>Item 4. Timebank Presentation Aoife Middlemass.</b> MS contacted Aoife regarding presenting at today’s meeting. Unfortunately the Timebank project is now been concentrated on a smaller</p>	

	<p>number of sites, the nearest one being Ivymeade Estate in Macclesfield, and no benefit currently to Congleton. Once it extends to Congleton, Aoife will come and brief us on the project.</p> <p><b>Item 5. Bob's Blog.</b> Members were requested to send items for the blog to Louise. Louise has reported that she could do with more information. This will be discussed as a main agenda item today.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Senior Health Fayre 2016.</b></p> <p>Following last year's successful Fayre (Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 2015) to support National Older People's Day the forum felt that we should look to build an annual event around this.</p> <p>A sub group will be set up to dive this event. Subgroup members:- V.Lockett, U.Ashiq, A.Baines and L.Alcock.</p> <p>Locations to be considered Town Hall, New Life Church &amp; Leisure Centre.</p> <p>One idea was a "Casserole Club" involving slow cookers, another some internet training / advice</p> <p>The team will report back at the next meeting 15.3.16.</p>	<p><b>Sub group report back at next forum mtg 15<sup>th</sup> March.</b></p>
4.	<p><b>Bob's Blog – L.Daniels.</b></p> <p>12 articles have been featured in The Chronicle, it is now getting difficult to find enough subject matter to keep this going weekly. Louise requested more information / ideas from ALL of the forum members to support this project.</p> <p>Alyssa has sent some items through since this meeting.</p> <p>Lisa has promised to forward event information /e-mail ideas from the Community Team.</p> <p>When sending ideas / articles /events to Louise please copy Mike Smith in.</p>	<p><b>Please send ideas / article to Louise and copy Mike S in.</b></p>

5.	<p><b>Events Calendar.</b></p> <p>Lisa has agreed to share information that is being collected by Cheshire East's team with the forum. More at the next meeting.</p>	
6.	<p><b>Mini Bus Hiring.</b></p> <p><i>Info repeated from the last meeting, usage has been virtually non-existent since early November.</i></p> <p>We have an 8 seater mini bus (one seat being a wheelchair space) available for hire at a very competitive rate that as member of a <u>subgroup</u> of The Congleton Partnership you are able to take advantage of.</p> <p>The mini bus is stored at New Life Church, West Road, Congleton and all bookings can be made there. I have also attached a small amount of information for you to be aware of before taking out the bus.</p> <p><b>Contact for booking:-</b></p> <p>Eleanor Blythe</p> <p>New Life Church</p> <p>West Rd</p> <p>Congleton</p> <p>01260 297961.</p> <p>Mon to Fri ( except Mon PM)</p> <p><b>Charges:-</b></p> <p>Cost of hire per trip £10</p>	

	<p>Plus 30p per mile</p> <p>Please leave a contact e-mail / address so that I can invoice you for the hire.</p>	
7.	<p><b>Future Projects.</b></p> <p><b>Projects raised.</b></p> <p><b>Digital Health</b> - Louise Daniels would like this adding to the next meeting's agenda as a formal item. Tinder Health was muted as a possible link??</p> <p><b>IT &amp; Chat Clubs.</b> CEBC have equipment and some tutoring support that can be used to develop this.</p> <p>Look at possible locations :- Coffee Central, Town Hall Bistro, Plus Dane Bromley Farm Community Hub.</p> <p>Bromley Farm Community Hub offers a Tuesday Job Club and Internet Café 9.30 to 12.00 noon.</p> <p>Check what Congleton Learning Centre offers.</p> <p>Joan Myatt to see if any interest with her Friendship Club in support this kind of activity.</p>	<p><b>Add to next meeting agenda.</b></p> <p><b>MS talk to Anette at town Hall "Bistro"</b></p> <p><b>JM to check with Friendship Club</b></p>
8.	<p><b>A.O.B</b></p> <p>Members felt that the name 'Senior Forum' was broad enough to describe what we are about, and in no way offensive.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Meeting Finished at:4.45pm</b></p> <p><b>Next Meeting:-</b>  <b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016, Congleton Town Hall, 3.00pm</b></p>	

