

LDAA MEETING DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

30th March 2015

10:00 – 11:30

Clemitson House, Room 5

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1.	<p>Attendance :</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>Yvonne McKinlay</td><td>POhWER</td></tr> <tr><td>Emma Hare</td><td>POhWER</td></tr> <tr><td>Diane Walsh</td><td>LBC</td></tr> <tr><td>Kimberly Radford</td><td>LBC</td></tr> <tr><td>Gill Kuspert</td><td>Stopsley Singing Cafe</td></tr> <tr><td>Jane Butler</td><td>Stopsley Singing Cafe</td></tr> <tr><td>Maria Collins</td><td>Home Instead</td></tr> <tr><td>Elaine Fountain</td><td>Carer</td></tr> <tr><td>Matt Corder</td><td>Active Luton</td></tr> <tr><td>Val Conroy</td><td>Carer</td></tr> <tr><td>Bernard Conroy</td><td>(Non) Carer</td></tr> <tr><td>Clare Warren</td><td>SEPT / ELFT</td></tr> <tr><td>Ayla Patton</td><td>The Alzheimer's Society</td></tr> <tr><td>Pete Buckingham</td><td>Beds Fire</td></tr> <tr><td>Collette McKeaveney</td><td>Luton Age Concern</td></tr> </table> <p>Apologies : Geoff Moore, Dave Barratt, Jackie Whittred, Gail Robinson, Gill Lintott, Lesley Patterson, Pam Garraway, Simon Barker, Teela Hughes, Jennifer McIntyre-Smith, Fiona Marriott, Patricia Jennings, Claire Stockwell-Lance, Helen Ryder, Tracey Fitzsimmons.</p> <p>Note-taker : Rose Winter</p>	Yvonne McKinlay	POhWER	Emma Hare	POhWER	Diane Walsh	LBC	Kimberly Radford	LBC	Gill Kuspert	Stopsley Singing Cafe	Jane Butler	Stopsley Singing Cafe	Maria Collins	Home Instead	Elaine Fountain	Carer	Matt Corder	Active Luton	Val Conroy	Carer	Bernard Conroy	(Non) Carer	Clare Warren	SEPT / ELFT	Ayla Patton	The Alzheimer's Society	Pete Buckingham	Beds Fire	Collette McKeaveney	Luton Age Concern	
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2.	<p>Apologies were given and the minutes from the last LDAA meeting were agreed.</p> <p>The members present were asked whether they wished to nominate a new chairperson – Maria Collins from Home Instead nominated herself and this was agreed by the other members. A handover meeting shall be booked between Maria, Kimberly and Rose in May.</p>	RW																														
3.	<p>Deadline</p> <p>The deadline for updating the action plans is the 1st of April; a link to the website shall be circulated.</p>	RW																														
4.	<p>Updates</p> <p>There are now 23 full members and 3 who are in progress of writing their action plans (CCG, SEPT and The Luton Christian Fellowship in Farley Hill).</p> <p>The funding has been secured for a part-time Alzheimer's co-ordinator, the interviews shall commence in mid-April.</p> <p>LBC has presented to the King's Fund in December and Luton is firmly on the map for dementia services.</p>	KR																														

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	<p>LBC has run two Virtual Dementia Tours since our last meeting; these were full and the feedback very positive. We are currently unsure of what if any funding will be available for future VDT's.</p> <p>Kimberly Radford and Connie Sharp from Alzheimer's have recently done the dementia book launch.</p> <p>LBC have over 400 new dementia friends.</p> <p>The Prime Minister shall issue a new dementia challenge and strategy (Challenge 2020) This shall be launched around May time.</p>	
5.	<p>The Singing Café We shall be training 3 new champions next week and have increased membership. Our three main issues are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problems with blue badges not being approved – the difficult criteria for dementia sufferers. • The Arndale / Mall – Disabled access is often locked, more than one entrance. This is to be reported back. • Luton Market – There are steps into the shops / stalls around the circumference, can these be altered into ramps? 	
6.	<p>Home Instead 90% of our staff are working towards their City and Guilds qualifications. We are working closely with St John's ambulance and the Holy Family Parish; a presentation was delivered in December. We are working towards developing a dementia friendly parish with our next meeting after Easter. Once developed then we shall challenge other Catholic parishes to follow suit in promoting Alzheimer Services.</p>	
7.	<p>Active Luton All our staff are now trained and we are focussing on dementia friendly signage. An internal newsletter goes out today with promotion of dementia training plus this information shall be feed into all our team meetings.</p>	
8.	<p>Val and Bernard Conroy Is it the right time for Active Luton to set up dementia sports / games?</p> <p>Music 24 clashes with the Singing Café but would really like to participate in both activities.</p> <p>Happy Cafes – where staff are trained in order that you can drop off someone with dementia for a short while and know they are safe – The Hat Factory would be an excellent venue for this? Poco Loco are currently having the training to support this although there are some legal issues.</p> <p>Could Luton become a specialist dementia town? Diane Walsh to contact (Chris Bradley-) and find out more information.</p>	DW
9.	<p>SEPT SEPT goes to ELFT on the 1st of April which is very exciting – Watch this space!</p> <p>We are working towards preventing admissions into hospital for people with Mental Health, diabetes and other complaints – this is still at the planning stage. This is a joint project with LBC, CCG and two GP surgeries and is being headed by Marcia Richards and Marisa Rose. These complex health needs may cross over with</p>	

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	<p>dementia.</p> <p>The dementia diagnosis clinic has moved from Houghton Regis into Canwood Court; a review is underway, this is done annually and usually takes three months.</p> <p>Yvonne Weldon and Clare Warren and training people through simulated role-play aimed at care professionals. Demonstrating mild, moderate and severe memory problem. There is a possibility of this being adapted for family carers but no firm plans at this point.</p>	
10.	<p>The Alzheimer's Society</p> <p>They are currently focussing on recruiting volunteers from the BMAE communities and shall be doing a press release and possible something on the radio to raise awareness.</p> <p>They have been heavily promoting the Information Programme for South Asian Families (IPSAF) and are making better headway.</p> <p>The post for Coordinator is part-time (15 hours per week) and the next interviews are on the 23rd of April. The advert is on the Alzheimer's website and shall be sent to Rose to circulate within the LDAA.</p>	AP / RW
11.	<p>Beds Fire and Rescue</p> <p>We have sent two more staff through the Virtual Dementia Tour and the benefits are huge.</p> <p>We are looking at dementia champion training and running dementia friends training throughout the organisation.</p> <p>Also we are looking closely at adaptive technologies such as gas cooker shut off valves etc.</p>	
12.	<p>POhWER</p> <p>Emma Hare shall be taking over from Yvonne McKinlay over her maternity leave.</p>	
13.	<p>Co-Production Project</p> <p>The project is to prevent carers crisis and breakdown and to prevent hospital admissions. The project has been awarded £32K, training has now been delivered and a workshop is planned for the 22nd of April.</p> <p>We are trying to encourage more carers and people living with dementia to get involved</p>	
14.	<p>Date and Time of next meeting: 13th July 2015, 10 – 11:30</p> <p>Committee room 2</p>	

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