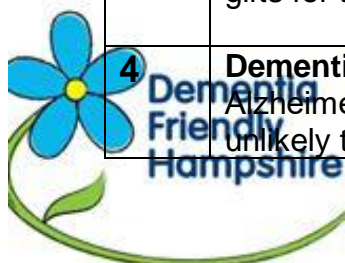




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Dementia Action Group Meeting
Wednesday 8th June 2022
1600 – 1745 – Alton Community Centre

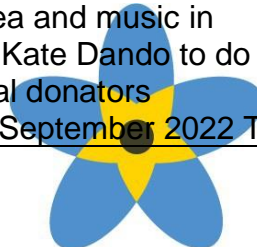
Item	Content	Action
1	<p>Present - Karen Murrell (KM), Anne Heath (AH), Josie Neeve (JN), Mick Neeve, Janet Dunkley (JD)</p> <p>Members - Derek and Moira, Andrea and Trish</p> <p>Apologies from – Janet Graham (JG), Maxine Ford (MF), Judy Aiken (JA), Sarah Westbrooke (SW) Sylvia Stamp (SS), Anne Jones (AJ), Lorraine Spendalow (LS)</p>	
2	<p>Notes of last meeting – were agreed.</p> <p>Matters arising:</p> <p>A big welcome to our members attending. An official special welcome to committee members Josie and Mick Neeve who are already very active and valued members of our team as our Horticulture Therapy Coordinators and with our Music Café.</p> <p>KM reminded attendees that there is total transparency in all we do and that the Meeting Minutes are always uploaded to our website.</p>	
3	<p>Queen’s Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) –</p> <p>KM brought us up to date with the run up process and winning of this prestigious MBE awarded to our Group. Logo now used on website, stationery and other non-disposable items.</p> <p>KM suggested we run a ‘Tiara Train’ (TT) event on the Watercress Line (the other Alton group to win this Award) to celebrate.</p> <p>KM suggested we combine celebrating the QAVS with our 8th Anniversary on 6.7.22 (TBC) with both volunteers and members at the ACC with a special buffet lunch and entertainment instead of usual sessions, also inviting the Press and Town Hall representatives.</p> <p>Arnold Clark have donated £1k towards our Platinum Jubilee celebrations which we can use towards china commemorative Jubilee mugs as gifts for the group.</p>	<p>KM to circulate summary of ‘Rules’ regarding use award logo.</p> <p>KM to discuss TT with DFH</p> <p>KM/AH to draw up list of recipients</p>
4	<p>Dementia Friends / Champions update –</p> <p>Alzheimer’s Friends Initiative is changing but unlikely to affect us.</p>	



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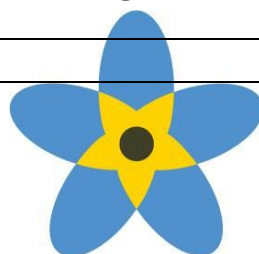
	KM is looking into an official DFA logo pin (as requested by Moira)	KM
5	<p>Finance report – Recently received: £130 Brenda, Angie & Mikey donation £52 Random donation last weekend £273 Beavers Close Jubilee Raffle donation Finances are looking good and although there is not currently enough in the account to pay for future rooms and activities, there are various grants pending. KM summarized as follows: 3 EHDC grants (1 unsuccessful so far) Beer Festival grant – hopeful Councilor grants for ongoing horticulture – one so far agreed – issue being these must be for new projects rather than ongoing so may have to rework it to succeed Our Consultation will be helpful going forward for our Heritage grant bid (JN to complete forms) Ongoing funding also applied for from EHDC (£10k for 3 years) but not optimistic for success Waitrose grant Tesco grant approved and subject to blue counter voting in local Tesco stores</p>	<p>KM/JN to discuss Consultation KM to approach KM to post to encourage local voting</p>
6	<p>Events held - Jubilee Party Forget Me Not Walk – successful and promoted awareness/presence in Park. Moira suggested a banner would be helpful to show who we were when in our Sensory Garden. Dementia Action week / Walking Festival – now kick-started, offering more diverse choices to members. Will be a regular 1st and 3rd Friday monthly going forward.</p> <p>Events to plan - Southampton Festival – date in July TBC All Things Nature – Town Park 16.7.22, 10am-2pm (KM absent). JN - Sensory Garden and with JD - Consultation with public (which will be used as basis for our Heritage Bid – JD to complete report) QR code needed for back of Butterfly Bench Card reader needed – JD offered to provide Forget me not Church Festival 2.8.22, 1pm at All Saints Church followed by tea and music in Queens Road Church Hall. Kate Dando to do Raffle, source cakes etc local donors Queens Award Ceremony - September 2022 TBC</p>	<p>KM to look into incl QAVS logo</p> <p>KM/JD</p> <p>KM to order new flags in time</p> <p>KM JD</p> <p>KM to source musician</p>



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7	<p>Newsletter Draft / Website / Facebook KM outlined proposed future Newsletter KM now incorporating new QAVS logo throughout our branding Number of admin people of FB to be reduced to ensure consistent / appropriate messages only are posted KM advised we now have a Just Giving page and Amazon Wish List page on our website – members and volunteers to be made aware Our new twitter name is @DemFriendsAlton – members and volunteers to be invited to like and share this new account</p>	<p>KM</p> <p>KM</p> <p>KM</p>
8	<p>Intergenerational activity (Anstey / HSDC / Eggars / St Lawrence – through Kate we now have students from St Lawrence joining us on Wednesdays. This could possibly be one of the new projects we could apply for funding for</p> <p>DUE TO TIME RESTRAINTS THE MEETING FINISHED AT THIS POINT - REMAINING POINTS TO BE C/F to next meeting</p>	<p>KM</p>
9	<p>Development of Meeting Centre on a Wednesday at ACC – Update – to include: Memory cafe / Tia Chi / Horticulture Scrap booking & Friday – Walk / Love to Move / Singing / Pamper / Therapy & support plus Memory Café at Home – Update re funding</p>	
10	<p>Review / plans for – Love to move @ Orchard House / Tea Dances / Legions Legends / Friendship Cafe @ Brendoncare / Links with Borovere</p>	
11	<p>Gardening / outdoor events - Update from Sensory garden team re Allen Gallery / plans for Allotment group / FLOURISH / Consultation for Heritage Lottery Bid</p>	
12	<p>Equine therapy</p>	
13	<p>Calendar for 2023</p>	
14	<p>Meeting dates – September/December 2022 and March/June 2023</p>	<p>KM to advise</p>
15	<p>Extraordinary meeting agreed for Aug 9th – 3-4.30 pm</p>	



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