



The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service

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Dementia Action Group Meeting Wednesday 21st September 2022 1600-1800 at Alton Community Centre



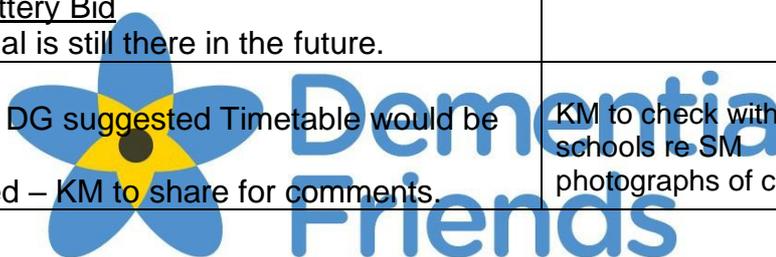
Item		Action
1	<p>Present - Karen Murrell (KM), Anne Heath (AH), Janet Dunkley (JD), Debs Grant (DG), Trish Harding (TH)</p> <p>Apologies from - Sylvia Stamp (SS)</p> <p>Thanks were extended to Josie and Mick Neeve, who have been bid farewell from DFA, with our very best wishes, as they are now leading on horticultural sessions on Tuesday and Sundays at The Allen Gallery as volunteers of the Gallery, as this is no longer on behalf of DFA.</p>	KM to contact Diane Bisley regarding future attendance
2	<p>Notes of last meeting – were agreed.</p> <p>Matters arising: Most to be dealt with in Updates below.</p>	
3	<p>Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) –</p> <p>The Award Ceremony on Wednesday 21 September (today) was postponed by the Lord Lieutenant Office due to the recent sad news. We await news regarding possible change of Lieutenancy/format of alternative celebration/presentation.</p>	<p>KM to contact LL office in due course</p> <p>KM to share around remainder of cups</p> <p>KM to prepare Certificates with DFA & Queens Logo</p>
4	<p>Finance Report (Expenditure/Petty Cash/Bids)</p> <p>Accounts - £6.5 K in hand. All functioning comfortably with money due to arrive from grants soon</p>	
5	<p>Grant Update / Future planning –</p> <p><u>EHDC</u> @ £10K for room costs/walk fit/musician etc for Friday (and Wednesday if necessary) – due in end-October for 1 year</p> <p><u>EHDC</u> (x 2) @ £3,400 for Town Park/Horticulture now in</p> <p><u>No Wrong Door</u> @ £7,940 – currently being used for Flourish</p> <p><u>Allen Foundation</u> – bid put for £15K in for Butterfly Walk & Flexi Paving – still in the running for £6k</p> <p><u>Alton Town Council</u> – nothing pending at present</p> <p><u>Postcode Lottery</u> – Putting in for £2,500 for ie special trips</p> <p><u>National Lottery</u> – still in review, for Meeting Centre/At Home</p> <p><u>Haskins</u> – Bid has been put in (see below)</p> <p><u>Tesco</u> – Money due in soon for Inter-Generational/Allotment (£500-£1.5K TBA)</p> <p><u>Coop</u> – nothing at present</p> <p><u>Beer Festival</u> - £1,000 due in</p> <p><u>SW Trains</u> - £17.5K bid just put in for Flourish/flooring/storage</p> <p><u>Community Chest</u> (Hall and Woodhouse) – still in running</p> <p>Donations</p> <p><u>Home Instead</u> - £205 received</p> <p><u>Sponsored Walk</u> - £123.00 raised by Anne Heath, £1000 from Just Giving (Online) plus £TBA from Lloyds Bank who are match funding up to £500. Ring fence total for future use (to be decided).</p>	
6	<p>Plans for Alice Holt Forest / New Group/Haskins Bid</p> <p>Looking at plans for younger onset dementia sufferers. Forestry Commission are very keen to support us with this. Open Day / Team Taster Day recently went well.</p>	<p>KM to fix trial day for members - ? 22nd October 2022</p>



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	<p>Lots of opportunities for activities there – accessible fishing, Forest Bathing, Inclusive Cycling, Walking, etc. Planning to start next Spring with monthly visits subject to successful Bid for £11,800 for the younger element. Considering a further trial day with members - TBA</p>	
7	<p>Possibility of venue for younger onset dementia support – St Johns Ambulance building at Anstey Park Opportunity at St Johns Ambulance building which is becoming available and may be within our reach/shared. Better location to offer alternative and more physical activities, being near to the park and Holybourne hills Town Council own this and we feel there is potential for us here, especially on a shared use basis. DFA will be submitting an Expression of Interest, along with a National Lottery Bid towards costs towards staffing/running/managing the building and funding ie inclusive Football events etc.</p>	<p>St Johns Building EOI to be submitted by 26 October, Action KM/DG</p> <p>DG offered to visit on the Open Day on behalf of DFA on 8/10/22 and will invite others to join her</p>
8	<p>Events: <u>All Things Local</u> – this was cancelled due to sad Royal news <u>Tiaras on the Train/Movie afternoon</u> – great success – will do more of these Events to plan: <u>Dementia Awards</u> – KM, GG and AH to attend with group of 6 <u>Yuletide</u> - TBA <u>Christmas Service</u> - TBA</p>	<p>KM to book Cathedral tour Practice ‘Sing a Song’</p>
9	<p>Update / Future planning / Intergenerational aspects for sessions: <u>Love to move</u> @ Orchard House -continuing, on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, restarting next week with Sarah <u>Tea Dances</u> – continuing monthly, at Legion or ACC <u>Legions Legends</u> – very popular and continuing – many thanks given to AH for running so well and for so long. <u>Community Choir</u> @ Brendoncare – continuing, on a collaborative basis <u>Wednesday Memory Café</u> -Tia Chi / Horticulture /Memory books – continuing <u>Friday session</u> to be extended – L2M / Carer support / Therapy – agreed effective November (TBC)</p>	<p>KM to confirm with Ann Jones</p>
10	<p>Gardening / Outdoor events: <u>FLOURISH</u> Allotments continue successfully, with Junior School students joining us from next month onwards Sensory garden now on Saturday morning rather than Sunday We are hoping for further funding from March 2023</p> <p><u>Consultation for Heritage Lottery Bid</u> Currently on hold but potential is still there in the future.</p>	
11	<p>Marketing: Newsletter is in preparation. DG suggested Timetable would be helpful. Distribution is being extended – KM to share for comments.</p>	<p>KM to check with schools re SM photographs of children</p>



	Contact Phone Number to be considered as a replacement for KM personal number- to discuss at next meeting Website and Facebook – KM and JD continue to update	
12	Volunteer strategy: Recruitment, Induction, Training, Coordination Policies, Data, Data Protection and Record keeping needs to be tidied up and reconsidered at Nov meeting	Action
13	Information Commissioners Office Registration: Agree photo policy / storage. TBC at Nov meeting	
14	AOB – None	
15	Date for next meeting: KM proposed more regular meetings due to increased activity. Next meeting agreed for Tuesday 1 November 2022, 3-5.30pm Meeting schedule for 2023 - TBA	KM to sort room at ACC



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