

**Working Group for Older People (WGOP).**

**Annual General Meeting on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm  
at the United Reformed Church, Waterford Road, Henleaze. (Small  
meeting Room)**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes from previous meeting on 24.10.12.**
- 3. Matters Arising**
- 4. Chairman's Report**
- 5. Treasurer's Report**
- 6. Election of Officers**
- 7. Reports on recent activities**
- 8. Dates for meetings for 2013**
- 8. A.O.B**

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**Neighbourhood Partnership NP3 (Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury-on-Trym).**

**Working Group for Older People - Chairman's Report Nov. 2012**

**This Working group formed in 2010 to 'PROMOTE THE HEALTH, WELLBEING AND QUALITY OF LIFE OF OLDER PEOPLE WITHIN THIS AREA.'**

**During this year the WGOP has produced a strategic plan** to work within to carry out our aims, actions and activities and worked hard to successfully fulfill our goals for this year.

**Our 'Pick Me Up Activities' focus primarily on those older people who have mobility problems, are housebound or who have difficulty using public transport and are linked to transport from Dial-a-Ride.**

These activities have been very successful and there has been excellent feedback from those who participated. We have had two separate trips with a tour of Clifton and a visit to have tea with the Lady Mayoress at the Mansion House. In July we had a most enjoyable day in Weston-Super Mare with lunch in the Winter Gardens, a tea dance and/or shopping or just sitting having a chat on the front. As our Christmas trip to Cadbury Garden Centre last December was so successful we are repeating this in December this year. We also recently supported Dial-a-Ride in their 'Craft Event' which was held in St Monica's - a taster session to learn a new craft and meet other people. We have further events planned for next year in consultation with the older people.

**Publicity/Contacts:** We have increased our database of contacts during the year and now have a good basis on which to regularly disseminate information about our activities. However, we are always keen to widen our network so welcome further contact details.

We have been fortunate in being able to publicise our activities in the Bristol Nine magazine which delivers to 10,000 people in our N.P. area and also other local magazines.

We are also progressing in compiling our list of other possible local activities for this particular age group.

**We have also made links with other organisations** including Dial-a-Ride,

Voscur, Age Concern, Link Age, Bristol Old Peoples Forum and Contact the Elderly.

**Resourcing:** In order to help to resource the project we have been active in fund-raising this year and have been successful in being given grants from both Quartet and the Cooperative Community Fund totalling £3,000 for 'Pick Me Up Activities'. This has not only enabled the trips this year to be completed but we still have sufficient funds to cover 3 more next year.

**Feedback and monitoring:** As well as ensuring we are meeting the criteria we have set for running this group perhaps the best way of measuring its success are the comments received from the older people themselves and the fact that they do keep returning for more!

**'The break from daily life and routines was a great relief and it was good to meet new people too'.**

**' Thank you for making Mum's trip so enjoyable - she had such a lovely time and hasn't stopped talking about everything and is now looking forward to the next outing'.**

**Chair - Sue Boyd**

**16.11.12**