

## **Working Group for Older People Report to the Neighbourhood Partnership, September 2015**

### **Pick Me Up Activities**

Three Dial a Ride buses took five organisers and 39 NP residents on a successful outing to Weston-Super-Mare on Wednesday 29 July. The group arrived in time for coffee and a stroll before a two course lunch in The Winter Gardens. There was time following lunch for shopping, a walk along the promenade or a visit to the Grand Pier. Even before we were back home residents were enquiring about the next outing and saying how much they had enjoyed their day out. The WGOP Pick me Up outings are appreciated and a very worthwhile activity. The group has funds to subsidise one more trip and a festive outing is being planned for Wednesday 9 December.

### **What's On Booklet**

The 2015 edition of the Booklet "Activities for the over 55s" in our NP area is now available. The booklet has been updated by the WGOP in conjunction with LinkAge, using their citywide publication design. The printing of the booklet has been financed using a grant awarded to WGOP from St Monica's Community Fund and topped up by WGOP funds. The booklet can be found in local community facilities and will be made available electronically.

### **Celebrating Age Festival 2015 - 27 September to 12 October**

WGOP has plans to promote our local NP activities for older people during the Festival. The group is seeking possible space in local libraries, large stores or community facilities in our NP area to site an exhibition stand.

The Group is aware of all equality issues whilst planning activities and recently invited Tony Hall of Bristol Dementia Action Alliance to give an update on their work in Bristol.

The constitution of the WGOP will be reviewed at the group's next meeting.