Working Group for Older People

Report to the Neighbourhood Partnership 13 June 2016

Recommendations. The NP is asked:

- To note the contents of this report
- To <u>agree</u> to the request for a £3,000 budget for the WGOP. This budget will be drawn down as required. Each draw-down will be formally requested from the Neighbourhood Committee

The WGOP aims to promote the health, well being and quality of life of older people within the NP3 area.

Pick-Me-Up Activities

Pick Me Up Activities are for those people in our NP3 partnership who have difficulty in using public transport and who may feel isolated.

Outings are much appreciated and considered to be a very worthwhile activity by participants. The Summer Outing is planned for Thursday 16 June 2016; a visit to Puxton Park, Hewish has been arranged. There will be plenty of time for those joining us to look around, have coffee, visit the animals and watch a falconry display. Contribution towards the cost including travel and lunch is £20. NP3 residents aged over 60 and who feel isolated or have transport difficulties will be collected from a central point or their own home.

Applicants with mobility difficulties are welcome to bring a carer to assist them.

What's On Booklet

The 2015 edition of the Booklet "Activities for the over 55s" in our NP area has been available in our local community facilities since early September. This second publication has proved to be very popular with our local libraries calling for additional copies. The group has a few copies still available.

Library Displays

Over the past few months information about how the WGOP can help the over 60s in NP3 has been on display in Westbury-on-Trym and Henleaze libraries and in Stoke Bishop Village hall.

Bristol Dementia Action Alliance

WGOP is aware of all equality issues whilst planning activities and continues to support the work of Tony Hall of Bristol Dementia Action Alliance and their work in our partnership area.

Aims and Priorities

At our meeting in April, the group reconsidered our priorities for a refreshed NP3 plan.

We looked at at the way forward, identifying our strategies and achievable aims. Updated details will be included in a document which is being tabled at this NP3 meeting.

Budget Request

WGOP wish to make a formal request to the Neighbourhood Committee for a £3,000 budget from NP3. The use of this budget will be applied for and fully accounted for by WGOP when wishing to use the money for identified activities.

Valerie Bishop Chairman

26 May 2016