

Working Group for Older People

Report to the Neighbourhood Partnership 26 September 2016

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 on Thursday 16 June 2016 was a visit to Puxton Park, Hewish with a waitress service sit down lunch. There was plenty of time to look around, have coffee, visit the animals and to watch a falconry display. Contribution towards the cost including travel and lunch was £20. Forty NP3 residents enjoyed their day out. Gay Huggins, Val Bishop and Glenise Morgan accompanied the participants.

What's On Booklet

Plans to publish a third edition of this Booklet were discussed at the 13 April meeting. The booklets are very popular. We will try and obtain sponsorship.

Promotional Activities

Over the past few months information about how the WGOP has helped the over 60s in NP3 has been on display in Westbury-on-Trym and Henleaze Libraries and Stoke Bishop Hall.

WGOP was present with a promotional stand at an over 75s Health and Well Being Event in the Greenway Centre on 30 July. The event was funded by the six Medical Centres used by our NP residents. It was a free event for charities and organisations dedicated to improving the health and well being of the over 75s. Val Bishop and Graham Donald hosted a WGOP stand promoting the work of our NP and the activities provided for our older people.

We had some good conversations with attendees and collected nine more names for our database. The event was not that well attended. WGOP wishes to thank Gary Brentnall for his help in arranging the use of display boards and the NP3 pull up banner.

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. Val Bishop and Graham Donald attended the first birthday celebrations and conference of Bristol Dementia Action Alliance on Friday 8 July.

Aims and Priorities

These have been refreshed and are included in the NP3 Plan. Further ongoing amendments are required.

Work has been continuing to update the Constitution in readiness for the WGOP AGM.

Next meeting - The AGM on Wednesday 5 October at 10am

Valerie Bishop
Chairman