

Whissendine Good Neighbour Scheme

Chairman Gwen Griffiths: Secretary Janet Jaconelli: Treasurer Peter Towsey
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Management Group at 1a Station Road, Whissendine, Wednesday march 9th 2011 at 10.00am

Present: Peter Towsey, Sue Spencer, Gwen Griffiths, Sally Moyce, Jeff Eaves and Janet Jaconelli

1. Apologies for Absence

Kate Sharpe, Marion Lawrie

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests.

There were none.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on February 9th 2011

These were agreed to be a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising.

a. Training

Gwen and Janet were booked to attend a first aid course at Rothley on April 14th. There would be another course run by VAR in Oakham on June 14th and Sally and Jeff would arrange to book on this.

b. Befriending

There is a lot of befriending visits taking place in the village. Some have been arranged through WGNS and some are informal arrangements which in some cases predate WGNS. The arrangements organised through WGNS will always involve a volunteer who is CRB checked and will be recorded for the purposes of reporting back to our funders, but the group recognise the very valuable contribution the more informal arrangements make to the community.

5. Finance and funding

Peter presented a breakdown of expenditure to date which would be placed on the web. As matters stand there may be a small amount to be returned to Voluntary Action Leicester at the end of March under the requirements of the Grassroots scheme but we would have enough to keep running for at least another 6 months. One third of our funding has come from local sources.

6. CRB checks

One form is with Rutland County Council. There are no more outstanding at present.

7. Stats

Janet reported that there had been 134 calls to the mobile and 291 instances of volunteers being helped. The total of 425 therefore exceeds our Grassroots target for the 9 months to the end of March. The figures would be put on the website along with the accounts.

8. Website

Nothing to report

9. Any other business.

a. Environment group. Penny Stimpson had agreed to lead this and Kate Sharpe had offered to assist. We await developments when these two had had time to discuss how to proceed.

b. Summer meeting – as we would have to have an AGM in June it was agreed to have an open meeting at Peter's house on June 16th at 2.30 to combine the AGM with afternoon tea and cakes. It would be advertised in the Grapevine magazine.

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday April 13th 3pm at 28 Hall Close.