

Disability Confident meeting – Wednesday 23 October 2019 at 11.30am in the Mayor’s Parlour

In Attendance: Councillors Sue Shand, Tyler Bennetts and Anna Clarke (Liskeard Town Council), Jane Milligan (Job Centre +), Laura Chapman (Volunteer Cornwall), Denise Larner and Yvette Hayward (Liskeard Town Council).

Apologies: Lorraine Clark (ECHO Cornwall)

1.	<p>Election of Chair Councillor Sue Shand was elected Chair of the group</p>	
2.	<p>Overview The focus of the group would be made up of three strands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disability Confident (UK government scheme) • Dementia Friends/Purple Angels (see item 6) • Safe Places <p>Jane Milligan had approached Town Councils to promote this scheme. Looe have already made considerable progress, in collaboration with Devon & Cornwall Police and the Tri-Service officer, led by Councillor Paul Penhaligan, who would be happy to provide us support.</p> <p>LTC have signed up as Disability Confident Committed and have completed a Safe Places registration for their office but have not yet received the pack. The TIC has a sticker having signed up some time ago.</p>	
3.	<p>Website page Looe have a page on their website devoted to the project and listing those businesses and organisations signed up to each part. Liskeard could do something similar – Yvette will look at the Looe page and look at where this could be incorporated on the LTC site. Jane will supply details of those in the town already signed up for inclusion. This will be useful before trying to make new contacts.</p>	<p>YH JM</p>
4.	<p>Promotion to businesses Jane has been running dementia friendly sessions for businesses and organisations, and using these to then promote Disability Confident, and could do the same here. How should we approach them to come along? A personal approach is usually best but time consuming. Time of day is also important as many business people do not want to come to a meeting after working all day, and have other commitments at weekends. Various ideas considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stall at Nadelik Lyskerrys (Sue will investigate) • Drop in cream tea • Meeting at Wetherspoons (they are signing up and considering a dementia time) – <i>Manager recently changed so Jane doesn't have a contact</i> • Plymouth Citybus involvement (they are signed up and very supportive) – possible bus on the Parade during Nadelik Lyskerrys event. Jane has a contact. 	<p>SS JM</p>

	<p><i>James Church (Customer Experience Manager) tel 01752 264 245 or 07966 275 287 email james.church@plymouthbus.co.uk</i></p> <p><i>Alan Tonge tel 01752 264255 email alan.tonge@plymouthbus.co.uk</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation at the Town Forum (Sue will contact the Chair) • Article in the Cornish Times 	SS
5.	<p>Existing Dementia Friends</p> <p>Denise and other businesses in the town did Dementia Friends training some time ago, and would all need updating as staff change etc. Denise will try to obtain details of those that took part, as having previously been involved they are likely to be positive to retraining and promoting the initiative.</p>	DL
6.	<p>Purple Angels</p> <p>Looe have chosen this rather than Dementia Friends. While DF offers a face to face training session before signing up, Purple Angels requires people to read a leaflet and confirm they have completed this.</p>	
7.	<p>Safe Places</p> <p>Businesses and organisations signed up are shown on a layer of the Cornwall Council interactive map but may not be up to date. There is lots of outstanding work to be done in reviewing those who already have stickers to check they are still operational, and to issue packs to those who have signed up. If anybody is going door to door speaking to businesses this could be checked on.</p>	
8.	<p>Other organisations which could help / be involved</p> <p><u>Memory Café</u> - Anna will contact them</p> <p><u>Youth Group</u> – Getting young and older people working together in the community would be very positive and could be a good news story. Anna will contact the youth group and also ask Lily Crocker (Deputy Member of the Youth Parliament) to support this as she has been championing mental health issues. Anna will liaise with Jane on delivering a presentation who <u>needs as much notice as possible</u> to complete risk assessments etc.</p> <p><u>Alzheimer's Organisation</u> – may be able to signpost other Dementia champions who can help. Jane has a contact (<i>Joanna Malyon tel 07484 513670 or joanna.malyon@alzheimers.org.uk</i>)</p>	AC AC AC JM JM
9.	<p>Other items for consideration</p> <p><u>Emergency Haven</u></p> <p>Looe are setting up emergency havens, where a person suffering with dementia who has become separated from their family/carers could be looked after safely until the emergency services can reunite them.</p> <p><u>Social prescribing</u></p> <p>A system which can identify people who may need support and signpost groups or networks which can offer them help. Jane is working to get Rosedean, and possibly Oak Tree surgeries on board. <i>Liskeard contact is Julie Alexander (Social Prescribing Primary Link Worker) tel 01872 266388 or 07581 496553</i></p>	

	<p><u>Safer Liskeard</u> A link should be made, and it is possible some funding may be available to support initiatives. LTC representatives are Councillors Sue Shand, Christina Whitty and Jane Pascoe. Sue will contact Lucy Allison.</p> <p><u>Herbert Protocol</u> A national scheme introduced by the police which involves families/carers of vulnerable people compiling vital information which can be accessed in the event the person goes missing. Some schemes involve leaving this in a bottle in the fridge at home.</p> <p><u>Cornwall Council Platinum Providers Award</u> LTC are offering a work placement to a young person on the autistic spectrum under this scheme. This scheme should also be promoted.</p>	SS
10.	<p>Next Meeting Wednesday 13 November at 4.30pm in the Mayor's Parlour <i>Apologies – Jane Milligan (will feedback via Laura Chapman</i></p>	