

Cumbernauld
Community Forum
Minutes

Date of Meeting: 13th May 2014

Venue: Cumbernauld Campus

No.	Item	Action
	<p>Present:</p> <p>Christine McNeil – C.W.W.G Donald Masterton – FSSE DEE Iain Sinclair – Cumbernauld YMCA Jack Banks – Hope Gardens Iain Arthur – Hope Gardens Alex Clark – Partners in Play Caroline Shields – Abronhill Learning Trust Helen Hutcheson – Abronhill Learning Trust Elizabeth Dunphy – Unemployed Workers Tracey Lambert – Scottish Wildlife Trust Peter Murphy – NLAP Gerald Murphy – NLAP John M King – Etive Neighbourhood Watch Wilma Knox – CHP Tenants Forum Janice Crawford – Hope Gardens Liz Graham – Hope Gardens John Hennessy – Diabetes Group Alice Homer – Carbrain Community Council Carol Robb – Carbrain Learning Trust</p> <p>In attendance:</p> <p>Margaret GS Watt – Scottish Patient Association Jacqueline Marshall – (Minutes) V.A.N.L.</p> <p>John welcomed all members to the meeting and thanked members for attending.</p> <p>Apologies:</p> <p>Rosalyn Griffith Jim Gibson Bobby Johnson Renee Lees Gavin Cadden Rose Cadden Kirsty Murray Billy Lees Scott Campbell Adam Smith</p>	

	<p>Guest Speaker – Margaret GS Watt</p> <p>Margaret discussed the service in which the association provides and how the association was established in 1982 to help deal with patient complaints. The association is a company ltd by guarantee as well as being a registered charity. Margaret mentioned that the association is solely funded by herself and Dr Turner who have contributed £32k between them as the association are not eligible for funding through the Big Lottery.</p> <p>Margaret discussed the complex complaints in which the association are receiving such a cases involving mis-diagnosis. A discussion took place regarding power of attorney and Margaret advised members to make sure that their card index are up to date (patient records, as information which should be contained within their records aren't shown). Patients can make an application for their medical records for a cost of £15.</p> <p>At this point a discussion took place regarding the changes within NHS, in particular the change from 999 to 111 and the effect on over 65's.</p> <p>Margaret opened the floor to questions.</p>	
2.	<p>Chairpersons remarks:</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes of the last meeting:</p> <p>Proposed: Christine McNeil</p> <p>Seconded: Liz Dunphy</p>	
4.	<p>Matters arising:</p> <p>N/A</p>	
5.	<p>Gala Day: 21st June 2014</p> <p>John informed members that Barrs Ltd had generously donated a mountain bike. John mentioned that Clanadonian Travel have donated a mini cruise for 2 as a raffle prize.</p>	
6.	<p>Health reports:</p> <p>Donald discussed the changes involving 999 and 111 numbers which is due to be implemented. Also advised members of a new government initiative which will see older people being taken to care homes as opposed to A&E for treatment. It was suggested that the Forum draft a letter and send it to Ian Ross, NHS, asking why NHS will be implementing this initiative and to also ask why no consultations have taken place. It was advised that a copy of the drafted letter should also be sent to Jamie Hepburn, Mark Griffin and Greg McClymont.</p>	

	<p>Donald advised members that should this initiative be implemented, the NHS shall be breaching both Articles 21 & 35 of the Human Rights Act. It was also suggested that the Forum should invite along both MSP's to discuss this initiative with members.</p> <p>Proposal 1 – Alex – invite both MSP's along: Vote received 8</p> <p>Proposal 2 – Donald – Draft letter to NHS and copy letters to both MSP'S asking for comment before next meeting: Vote received 9</p> <p>As a result of the vote, Donald's proposal stands.</p>	
7.	<p>Group Reports/update:</p> <p>Christine updated members on the Women's Watershed and mentioned that the group are progressing well.</p> <p>Liz mentioned that Hope Gardens have purchased a new gazebo and donated £300 to Strathcarn Hospice.</p> <p>Alice mentioned that Carbrain Gala Day will take place on 16th August.</p> <p>Gerry advised members about a new points systems for housing allocation for older people regarding high flat developments solely for older people and how this policy may be implemented by August. Members discussed an example of the same development in Falkirk.</p> <p>Carers Together will be holding their AGM on 9th June in Hilton, Bellshill, please call 01698 404053 for registration.</p>	
8.	<p>Treasurer's Report:</p> <p>£4395.67- Bank</p>	
9.	<p>Correspondence:</p>	
10.	<p>AOCB:</p> <p>It was mentioned that Hope Garden have asked for a meeting with Lynn Ward regarding the re-build of Muirfield Community Centre.</p>	
12.	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>Tuesday 10th June 2014 @7pm New College Lanarkshire – Cumbernauld Campus</p>	