

## **West Moors Dementia Action Group**

(seeking to make WM dementia friendly)

Meeting notes

**17th May 2023** at  
West Moors Library. 7 p.m.

1. Present: Lynne Morris, Jo Breen, Jenna May, Alex Clarke, Sarah Rampton(guest), & Carol Davies (guest).

Apologies: Rachel Kelly, Pip Prantl, Victoria White, Angela McVeigh.  
Welcome to our guests, specifically for Item 3.

Before the meeting began Louis from Pulfords Publishing (by arrangement) took a photo of the whole group for the Living Well magazine.

2. Updates from last meeting notes:

Dementia Action Week 15-21 May, plus: Rachel made contact with Help & Care regarding us joining together for a Dementia Action Week activity and also possibly at Westival, but no further response from H&C.

3. Memory Lane/Garden/Craft/Fun:

It was unfortunate that Tim (Sturts) was not able to be present but good conversation around many aspects took place.

Sarah indicated that there was not the capacity for another gardening group (these are heavy on manpower and upkeep). Moors Manor have the garden space and indoor facilities. Some discussion about location and softening the fact it is at a care home, but still would require the manpower.

Prama were unable to provide 'manpower' for another Memory Lane at present but could provide other resources.

We are now looking to explore with Sarah a location for In Jolly Good Company. SR, JB & JM to arrange to look round Moors Manor. SR & JB to explore The Clubhouse at Sturts and any other possible locations.

**Action: SR, JB, JM, LM**

4. WESTIVAL

Our pitch has been relinquished, but Jenna has offered to incorporate us into Moors Manor either just with our literature or in person if we'd like to be there and help. Our gratitude to Jenna and Moors Manor (Barchester).

5. Fundraising

Lynne indicated we need to keep this active and on the agenda for everyone in the Group to consider ways of generating funds. **Action: ALL**  
Jenna announced that some of the Moors Manor staff had cycled to Buckingham Palace on static bikes for the Coronation of King Charles III, sponsored by residents, staff, friends and family and £420 was raised and donated to WM DAG. A cheque presentation (with photo) will take place. Our grateful thanks to all concerned.  
Talbot Village Trust was also suggested and will be explored.

#### 6. AOB

Lynne informed the Group that Angela, not able to be present this evening, has resigned from her post as Librarian from 31st May 2023 but will continue to be part of the group. Lynne has given her a bouquet on behalf of the group as a thank you for dedicated service and the use of the library, being the first to arrive and last to leave and supporting in many other ways since the group began in 2015.

7. DoNM: A complete rethink is needed as we need a new venue to meet and it was suggested that evenings may not be the best time for those at work. A proposed afternoon meeting (during the working day) to be explored as four were not present. **Lynne to liaise**

Provisional date of next meeting Monday, 10th July 2-3pm possibly at St Mary's (Hall), West Moors

#### \*\*Post-meeting Note:

Our Generic information leaflets have now been printed - thanks to our Town Council. These are to encourage people of West Moors to take an active interest in WM DAG or as a signpost to support (mainly through Living Well magazine). Let me know if you would like some to get them out into the community.