

Nuneaton & Bedworth Older Peoples Forum

Minutes of the meeting held on the 16th June 2014. Present 22 Apologies 10.

The Chairman welcomed everyone we all gave a warm welcome to Mr Cotton on his return after a recent heart attack.

At the last meeting we had a presentation on new service to be set up in July offering a fully comprehensive care for patients throughout the County of Warwickshire. The speakers will return in six months time to give us feed back on the progress.

A report written by Helen Taylor who visited the George Eliot Hospital to explore their newly installed service for Dementia patients was read out.

The report identified that it was an excellent facility and meet (in fact exceeded) all of the strategic targets set by the Royal College of Nursing.

Members welcomed the news that Larry Beasley and his daughter Helen successfully completed the London to Brighton bike ride in aid of the Heart Foundation raising a total of £400.

Local information

- Proposed Wind Farm at Wolvey public meeting 20/6/2014
- Bulkington Surgery Fundraising event 26/6/2014
- Warwickshire week of Thrift October
- Ladies Racing Day at Rule & Compass 19 /6/2014

Treasurers Report Cash in bank £1,398.59 outstanding Cheque £67.40 for room hire.

Today's speaker Sylvia is a volunteer at the hospice and gave a very interesting presentation on the work undertaken at Zoe's Place a special hospice for children ages from 1 to 5yrs with life limiting illnesses. Based on the Exhall Grange Site in Ash Green the Hospice is one of three throughout the Country Liverpool, Middleborough and Coventry.

Our local hospice covers a wide geographical area in the midlands.

Sylvia outlined that there were currently six specialist Children's Nurses offering specific care to children currently four days per week. The service also offers specialist support to Parents and guardians as well as siblings of the sick children. Like quite a few other Hospices Zoe's Place relies on public support and several fundraising events are to be held contact 02476361675 for more details. It was agreed that a donation of £50.00 was made to this very worthwhile cause.

Darrell thanked Sylvia for a very thought provoking talk about a wonderful service and the meeting closed at 12.00.

Next meeting: David Patterson "Education in Bygone Days"