

MINUTES

Whetstone Good Neighbours Scheme

7.00pm 12th September 2022

In Attendance

Louise Hathaway (Chair), Veronica Rye (minutes), Jenny Hilton, Richard Caple, Helen Caple

Apologies for absence – Danuta Jeeves, Jean Hoare

Pecuniary interests

The meeting was reminded of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interests in the affairs of the scheme – None were declared.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting, 18th July 2022, have been read and declared to be a true and accurate record and signed off by the Chair. These will now be uploaded to the website.

Matters arising

Posters have been circulated and displayed in the community.

Blaby Lottery – still need to find way to make collection of subscriptions simpler and less time consuming.

Letter to be sent to all current participants asking for confirmation that they wish to remain involved and letter to be sent to other service users to ask if they wish to start participate. Time limit to be given for response.

New volunteer material currently being reviewed and updated.

Services Update

Details of job numbers shared.

Need to urgently recruit more volunteers and monitor use of the scheme to ensure it is not being abused.

DBS and Safeguarding

Helen to update checks of management committee and existing volunteers.

Financial update

The celebration event at The Lime Tree has been the biggest expense since last meeting. The committee gratefully acknowledged receipt of donations from service users.

Any Other Business

Sharon Coe to be invited to meetings and will be responsible for sharing relevant information with the website manager

AGM to be held on 7th November 2022 at 7pm. Invitations to be sent to County, District and Parish councillors, ASDA representative, Zoe Coulson from BDC, volunteers and service users.

The event at The Limetree was very successful.

Transport fees – list of proposed charges for service users has been drawn up and after consideration by Jenny and Louise will be shared with all committee members for approval.

Christmas event – plan to invite Zoe Coulson from Blaby District Council to speak to service users and share information and contact details for available services

Contact has been made with WGNS by ENRICH to see if support can be offered to a resident they have knowledge of.

No other business being raised the meeting was closed at 8.11pm.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 17th October 2022 at 7pm.