

Ageing Well Network

Wednesday 18th November, 10:00 – 12:00
The Large Meeting Room, The Court House, 4 Station Street, Maesteg,
CF34 9AL

Present

Allen Chilcott	OTED Transport
Muriel Howells	Bridgend U3A
Rena Sweeney	Bridgend Care and Repair
Geoff Hill	Bridgend Alzheimer's Society
Vic Gilbert	Llynfi SHOUT
Jon Efford	Lets Garw
Kay Harries	Age Concern Morgannwg
Stuart Burge-Jones	Bridgend County Borough Council
Heidi Bennett	BAVO
Roxane Dacey (minutes)	BAVO
Christine Court (interim Chair)	Bridgend Care and Repair

In Attendance

Phil Jones	Bridgend County Borough Council
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Apologies

Janet Jordan	Accessible Housing
Judith McMullin	Bridgend RSVP
Doreen Gunning	Bridgend Hearing Impaired Support Group
Doris Dallimore	Bridgend Carers Centre
Maureen Williams	SHOUT Development Officer
Margaret Jenkins	Blackmill Over 60's
Jane Questle	Cross Roads Care

2. **Speaker:** Phil Jones: Commissioning Officer at Bridgend County Borough Council presented the draft Commissioning Strategy for Adult Social Care (2010 – 2020). The draft strategy (which can be found on the Bridgend County Borough Council website) is currently out for consultation.

Action

RD to e-mail all the members of the Ageing Well Network the Commissioning Strategy for Adult Social Care, the executive summary and the consultation questions.

Questions

HB asked about the commissioning plans and tendering process. Some existing providers may be excluded due to the process e.g. funding available for a service for people of all ages, but the organisation is only constituted to work with certain age groups. PJ stated that issues such as

this will be looked at in the procurement stage. JE reinforced that small charities are often overlooked and do not receive funding even if they are providing an effective service and filling a gap. PJ confirmed that the strategy envisions greater partnership working with the voluntary sector.

CC thanked PJ for attending the Ageing Well Network and asked the group to refer back to the agenda. The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to be a true and accurate record.

3. Terms of Reference

RD distributed the amended draft Terms of Reference for the Ageing Well Network and asked again for comments and suggestions.

Action

RD to make the suggested amendments to the Terms of Reference and circulate with the minutes.

It was agreed that HB and SBJ would attend the next meeting to explain each of the partnerships (LSB, LDB, HSCWB Partnership etc.). The minutes from all of these meetings can be found on the BAVO website.

Membership Form

Action

RD to amend the membership form for the Ageing Well Network (changing the focus to the organisation, rather than the individual attending and adding the data protection statement) and send with the minutes.

Election of Chair

RD received nominations from Rachael Rowlands (Chief Executive of Age Concern Morgannwg) and Rena Sweeny (Director of Bridgend Care and Repair). The group agreed that Rachel Rowlands will be the Chair of the Ageing Well Network and Rena Sweeny, the Vice Chair. Age Concern Morgannwg and Care and Repair are currently the third sector representatives on the Never Too Old Action Team.

4. Key Issues: Identifying Priorities

The Ageing Well Network will be looking at the current support and provision for people over the age of 50 years in Bridgend County, good practice and the gaps in service.

Action

- Members to each identify good practice and any gaps in support or provision for people over the age of 50 years in Bridgend County.
- SBJ to e-mail RD a template that can capture this information. RD to circulate the template to the Ageing Well Network.
- Members to forward their completed template to RD by Monday 4th January 2010.

Next meeting date:

**Tuesday 19th January 2010, 10.00am – 12.00pm
The Bethlehem Church Life Centre, Cefn Cribwr, Cefn Road CF32
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