

**Kingsbridge Dementia Friendly Communities**  
**Notes of meeting 08/02/18 10am Quay House Kingsbridge**

**Present:**

Roger, Derek, Rebecca, Beccy, Julia Best-Clarke, Anne Ayling, Juliette Jackson, Kate Ladd, Trevor Parkinson

**Apologies:**

Adrian, Julia McGing.

**Matters Arising/Updates**

Check that Juliette is on distribution list.

**Action plan**

21-27 May is Dementia Action Week – plan to organise a series of events.

3-17 May Windeatts window has been booked by Anne. B&B will lend their notice board to set up display.

Tescos – pop up stand in foyer? Anne to follow up.

JJ has been awarded £4k to bring science to rural schools, she has put in another application for dementia in schools, look out for her in the “bags of help” token scheme.

JJ invited by PTFA to put on science based event in Kingsbridge primary.

B&B met with Kingsbridge primary PTFA to see if possible to work with school & give Dementia Friends sessions to pupils.

B&B have arranged a DF session for Beavers – younger children

25 Feb JJ has event with brownies.

B&B to talk to guides (tbc)

B&B & JJ visit to Year 9 KCC. & JJ has reported to governors about KDFC and they were very positive.

JJ outreach to education south west in schools and hopes to give further session to schools.

Saltstone volunteer evening – 30 people approx. total focus on social prescribing. Dr James Mottram and Maxine co-ordinator for Yealm Dementia group. DW reports on points taken from event – some reluctance with volunteers at Saltstone to take on people with dementia and volunteers felt that other conditions shouldn't be ignored.

Question over appointing dementia co-ordinator in Kingsbridge and DW asked what Saltstone had received donation from Live Well for. He confirmed that funding was to appoint someone whose job amongst others was to lead support regarding dementia – clear that J B-C can't be used solely for dementia.

Could KDFC employ someone now – ramifications of employment and various benefits and obligations that go with that. It is a big step but all recognise that having a dementia co-ordinator

appointed would assist progressing work of KDFC. Bit of chicken and egg situation – not sufficient funding yet, and how much would dementia co-ordinator cost? B&B to investigate what Maxine at Yealm's role specifically includes.

RW had taken from Saltstone evening and Maxine's comments that important not to look at groups and events specifically for people with dementia but rather ensuring that existing groups are welcoming to those with dementia so that they can continue to be involved.

Kingsbridge show – possible that we may be able to team up with Alzheimer's Society to have a stand at the show.

AA questions whether possible to have someone with dementia present at meetings. Something that we need to target – ensuring that people with dementia have a voice and feel included.

Numbers of people with dementia in our area? What figures are available? B&B to investigate. AA seeing more and more younger people affected.

Tennis club – AA will speak to her contact at the club to see if they are interested in attending KDFC meeting. She thinks they have some money available.

Trevor suggests that we contact each club to appoint a Dementia Awareness individual.

### **Action points**

AA, JJ & JBC to work together to contact supermarkets and other venues regarding Dementia Action Week.

JJ will go through the schools.

AA to contact WI to invite to next meeting.

RT will follow up on table tennis initiative.

RT will get some dates to arrange a Dementia Friends session for Wordwise & Cornelius.

RT is in touch with Sally Farrant with idea of doing sessions for various churches – will suggest possible date in Dementia Action Week.

AA& JJ will organise a trip to the memory café.

### **Funding**

B&B meeting Rotary Club on 19 Feb shortlisted for grant.

Other counsellors – Keith Wingate. Ask Martin at Quay House for details.

Local masons groups – RT believes John Sibley may be a contact.

JJ has applied for two grants that include dementia work, some of that funding could be channelled towards joint projects with KDFC.

Apply for Tesco award in their "Bags of help" campaign – online application.

### **Any other Business**

Event on 4 May in Plymouth – RT interested and wonders if we have sufficient funds to send someone?

Link up with Four Rivers Group – arrange for someone to meet Maxine and find out more about her role as dementia co-ordinator.

Radio Devon – They are a dementia friendly station. Regularly give more information for example in their weather reports.

**Next meeting 19 April at Quay House 10am to midday.**

**Date of next meeting:**

Thursday 19 April 10am to noon Quay House