

Disability and Carers Action Group Minutes

Wednesday 10th Jan 2024 @ 11am Civic Centre Room 5

	<p>Present:</p> <p>Hedley Brown (HB), Barrie Andrews(BA), Terry Sweeny (TS). Keith Ducker (K.D) & from SEH Sam Elliott (S.M).</p>	
		Action
1.	<p>Apologies for Absence:</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Peter Sommerfield. Sarah Hadden, Brenda Tilley, Edna Phillips, Elaine Turner, Brian Cook, Brenda Tilley, Chris Mc Phillips,</p>	
2.	<p>Declarations of Interest:</p> <p>None</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes and Matters Arising from 12th July 2023:</p> <p>All agreed & Action from November were: 5b. KD has spoken to Sarah Gallagher and March booked. Others as soon as can be arranged. 6. KD arranged for Sam Elliott to attend as she did. Also have had a reply from Stuart Long (ATF) he will come to any we wish him to. 7. Sarah Gallagher and Chris McPhillips have been in contact with each other over notice boards in Chris's area.</p>	
4.	<p>Election of Chair, Vice-Chair & Minute Taker:</p> <p>Still to be completed but it has been agreed that we will wait until we have visited some sheltered places before doing this, as we hope to get other residents involved. KD to stand as chair & minute producer for now. But this needs sorting very soon.</p>	On Hold
5.	<p>Future Meetings:</p> <p>March meeting will be held at Trevett House, 19a Southchurch Rectory Chase, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS2 4XB</p>	
6.	<p>Speaker's members would like for future meetings:</p> <p>Guest's who have agreed to be invited are: Sylvia Overton – Southend Carers Edna Deramchia & Chiquitta Bruce - Community Builders Stuart Long – AFT (Achieve, Thrive & Flourish) Graham Hart – SEH Fire Manager Bus Company Managers – still awaiting response</p>	

7.	<p>Any other Business:</p> <p>Invite Barrington's to the next meeting.</p> <p>Survey. It was suggested that SEH send out a survey to every property asking if they have and disabilities (Seen or un-seen) or carers within the property along with the normal questions that they ask. It should state that the information on disabilities or carers is used so that SEH has a record of those residents who need priority in case of loss of facilities or repairs. Also, mention that residents will then be contacted at a further date regarding their disability. That way hopefully, most residents will then give their correct information required.</p> <p>Gas prize draw for allowing Aaron in on first time appointment. This has been changed from one each month to one in every 350 services. The reason is that Aaron does most of their servicing during the summer months so that they have more engineers available during the winter time. There was a month when they did the services through the year, when only 2 services were done due to lack of engineers and both would have been awarded a prize. Prizes have also changed. £100 for the first year someone lets them in first time with a further £25 added for each consecutive year, if they are lucky enough to be drawn out. The draw is done by computer and overseen by one member of Aaron, one from SEH and one resident so that it can be verified it was done correctly. I will be requesting that every resident who wins a prize be asked if they would kindly give permission for photo publicity. It could then go into Insight for every resident to see. The same can be done with electrical testing and I will be asking the same question.</p>	<p>K.D Done</p> <p>K.D Done and awaiting reply.</p> <p>K.D Done and awaiting replies.</p>
8.	<p>Next meeting items:</p> <p>Sarah Gallagher will be there to answer any questions you may have around disability or carers. Any other questions regarding yourself or SEH that are not Disability or Carer related should be after the meeting if she has the time.</p>	<p>All</p>

9.	<p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>14th February 2024 at Nicholson House</p>																				
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11.	Minutes by post to: Barrie Andrews (Large Print Please), Hedley Brown, Brian Cook, Peter Sommerfield, Edna Phillips & Elaine Turner Others via email.	
12.	At all meetings you can bring anything that has to do with disability or a carer. We welcome any concerns or ideas you have and will discuss anything that is of concern or worry to you as a disabled resident or carer within the city	