

OLDER PEOPLE'S COUNCIL
10:15am 25 APRIL 2018
BROOKE MEAD EXTRA CARE HOME

MINUTES

Present : Colin Vincent (Chair), Mike Bojczuk, Penny Morley, Francis Tonks

Co-opted Members : Jon Cook, Jack Hazelgrove, Michael Whitty

388 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

388.1 Apologies received from John Eyles

389 MINUTES

389.1 The 25th April 2018 OPC meeting minutes were approved as an accurate record.

Matters Arising

- 389.1 Clarification was given that Community Works were contacted in October about support provision for the OPC but a reply was only received in March with an apology for the delay.
- 389.2 The Valley Gardens scheme is still scheduled to start this August
- 389.3 Community Transport have finally been given a temporary base for the minibuses, and park overnight with Big Lemon buses

390 SERVICE AGREEMENT

- 390.1 After much discussion the proposal to accept the service agreement from Possability People was put, seconded and voted on. With three votes for and three against, the Chair used his casting vote to accept the proposal. The OPC will use Possability People for support provision from this point.
- 390.2 The Chair will arrange a meeting to discuss arrangements before the next monthly meeting is due.

391 FUTURE MEETINGS AND VENUES

- 391.1 Dates for the year are: 15 May 19 June (Public) 10 July 11 September (Public) 9 October 13 November 11 December (Public)

All meetings scheduled to start at 10:15. All meetings held at Brooke Mead apart from Public meetings which are held at Brighthelm.

392 2019 ELECTIONS

- 392.1 One suggestion was to try to get an election through Electoral Reform in 2018. List of electorates needed if we tried ourselves but may not afford the postage.

392.2 As we have an extension of the election for one year, another suggestion was to send a letter to all electoral candidates asking for support for the OPC and its election. Penny Morley agreed to draft a generic letter for the 2019 candidates.

392.3 Labour Party has started to appoint an older person rep in each ward.

392.4 If all fails we should hold an election amongst our new OPC membership, but we need to build up a large following. Facebook?

393 OPC WORK PROGRAMME

393.1 Suggestions for future meetings:
New Council Leader Daniel Yates, David Brindley who relaunches Age Friendly City on 12 July, Planning person to discuss Infrastructure Levy and toilets

394 GREY MATTERS

394.1 Grey Matters Productions website now states they are a Community Interest Company who make radio programmes of interest to the older person.

394.2 There are now 2 programmes per week and usually there are 3 interviews per programme.

395 MEMBERS' UPDATE

395.1 Jack Hazelgrove

Community Transport, AgeUK self funders research

395.2 Mike Bojczuk

Digital Brighton & Hove, Tower House IT, SEEFA, AFC, constitution

395.3 Francis Tonks

50+ group, AgeUK self funders research

395.4 Jon Cook

CCG training course, Grey Matters, PPG Carden Surgery

395.6 Michael Whitty

4th Withdean Newsletter, LATS Chair, PPG Warndean Surgery

395.7 Penny Morley

local LAT, Age Friendly City (AFC)

395.8 Colin Vincent

SENPEC, NPC, Safeguarding, CCG, Buswatch, HOSC, AFC

396 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

396.1 First draft new constitution discussed but we need to obtain the definitive latest version from the Council

Meeting ended at 1pm Signed (Chair)..... Date