

Social Enterprise General Meeting 2 12 April 2011 at St Mary Bourne Village Hall

Present: Andrew Parkins LP-F; James Croser SMB; Kerry Meaden LP; Corinne Bowman LP; Terry Hemming [All]; Ruth Hemming LP; Mark Williams HbP; Dodie Marsden [All]; John Scott SMB; Valerie Kennett SMB; Pat Bassett SMB; Caroline Hoyes SMB; Fenella Williams HbP; Allan Hitchcock SMB; Martin Coppen [All].

Apologies: Jenny Cutbill SMB; Susan Capner Dunley (CAB); Eve Lind-Smith SMB; David Ankcorn LP; Robert & Laura Sykes HbT; Lyn North SMB

Reports from Groups suggested some further actions.

1. **Signposting** (better name needed): 'pointing people in the right direction for the advice or support they need'.
2. Publication of support information in the pattern of the Popley/Chineham example booklet, or a series of sheets to enable continuous updating. LP Directory might be a good local example. **ACTION PB, Jenny Cutbill, Lyn North, VK.**
3. Basingstoke Voluntary Services are reinventing *Neighbourcare* to improve its provision of services beyond transport: form-filling, befriending, short respite care. Perhaps we should look at discussions to do the same here, but also extend coverage to HbP & LP with the hope of new volunteers refreshing the scheme. **ACTION PB, FW, MC to meet Eve L-S.**
4. Also mentioned: how the social side of baby clinics, for instance, could be improved if they were not held in a surgery but Village Hall—with coffee, etc.
5. **Care Group:** 'improving the welfare and practical support to all ages'
 6. Parish nursing scheme: church sponsored, it appears. **ACTION JS to research examples in USA.**
 7. Coffee-morning based advice meetings: pilot in pubs aimed at older generation, using contacts from Christina Moran's list: **ACTION CH to discuss idea with Sue at Coronation Arms: VK & LN to set up outline plan of action.**
 8. Research paper **In the Dark:** **ACTION CH to circulate by email.**
9. **Survey:** MW has researched and await further clarification of aims to enable well-directed questions.
10. **Gathering up the Fragments** (of ideas and suggestions)
 11. Eve attended *Whitchurch Volunteers' Fair* and recommends tables at Village Fairs as more appropriate here.
 12. Local Exchange Trading Systems – bartering services: *Laura Sykes's* suggestion
 13. Respite home / care home
 14. Car-share schemes
 15. Village Agents scheme - VK attended an introduction 13 Apr: handouts attached give information about the scheme. Applications need to be in by 28 Apr.
 16. Specialist planning advice, if necessary, by *Maddy Winter*
 17. Almshouses
18. **Un- or under-employed:** Job Club? Possibilities might be enhanced for some by volunteering; LP Network have offered some help and possible work-experience: **ACTION AP to discuss with John Lavers, HbP.**
19. **Fuel Syndicate:** information about Vernham Dean contact 'Dot ...' awaited from Christina Moran. **ACTION MW & JC to investigate.**
20. **Structures:** community development/enterprise structures are varied and well tried elsewhere, either as registered charities or companies with charitable objectives. www.locality.org.uk is the website of community development trusts: **ACTION MC & JC to investigate.**
21. **Date of next General Meeting:** Wednesday 13th July 2011, place to be decided—but with coffee this time!
–NB–**if you are interested in participating in any action above, please contact someone from the group concerned and offer your services and expertise!**