

Meeting: Health Ambassadors

Date: Monday 23rd August 2021

Time: 1.00pm – 2.00pm

Please note: This was a virtual meeting and took place via Zoom Video Communications: 847 915 9356.

Members Present:

Cath Fox (CF) – (Doncaster Pride) LGBTQ+ Community
Julia Burne (JB) – (Conversation Club) Asylum Seekers and Refugee Community

In Attendance:

Jill Telford (JT) – Engagement Team Manager, Healthwatch Doncaster
Emily Green (EG) – Business Support Officer, Healthwatch Doncaster
Grace Jeffrey (GJ) – British Sign Language interpreter for MT

Apologies:

Natalie Bowler-Smith (NBS) – Community Engagement Officer, Healthwatch Doncaster
Ruthy Fletcher (RF) Deaf Community
Kerry McGuire (KM) – Doncaster CCG – Patient Experience Team
Dennis Atkin (DA) - Public Governor, Doncaster and Bassetlaw Trust Hospitals
Maria Thomson (MT) – (RDaSH Mental Health in Deafness) Deaf Community

1	Welcome, Introductions and Housekeeping	JT welcomed everyone to the meeting. It appeared that issues occurred for members joining the meeting.
2.	Apologies	As mentioned above.
3.	Review of minutes from the last meeting and matters arising.	The Health Ambassadors reviewed the minutes from the last meeting and they were agreed and set as a true record.
4.	Healthwatch Doncaster update	<p>Daily Dose JT provided an update around Healthwatch Doncaster’s Daily Dose and encouraged ambassadors to visit Healthwatch Doncaster’s Facebook page to view videos around recent topics. If anyone has any ideas on what the future topics/focus should be please let JT or EG know.</p> <p>Safeguarding Event JT shared that there will be a Safeguarding Event in November 2021 – details are still yet to be agreed. Once time/date of event is confirmed details will be sent to the group.</p>
6.	Health Ambassador updates	<p>Ambassador updates: Cath Fox CF provided an updated on Doncaster Pride week – Doncaster Pride went really well. Pictures from the event are on Doncaster Pride website to access. Overall there was 8 official venues across</p>

		<p>Doncaster who took part then other venues with their own acts/entertainment.</p> <p>Julia Burne JB shared that Conversation Club are struggling to re-open due to Covid restrictions. JB also mentioned that an issue is that Covid vaccination drop-in clinics are being reduced which is causing a barrier for Asylum Seekers and Refugees to access their vaccine, as the drop in clinics do not need to be registered with a GP surgery. Post meeting note-Issues raised shared by Jill Telford at the Working Group Addressing Vaccine hesitancy 25th August</p>
7.	Any other business	It was requested that the full invitation link would be sent to ambassadors for future meetings.
8.	Close	Meeting closed at 2.00pm