




Doncaster Keeping Safe Forum



Minutes of the Keeping Safe Forum Meeting

Doncaster Deaf Trust – Wednesday 18 September 2019, 10am – 12noon

People present:

Name	Representing
Natalie Bowler-Smith	KSF Facilitator - Healthwatch
Emily Green	Admin Support for KSF - Healthwatch
Jonathan Hall	Hill House School
Lisa Walker	Riverside
Jean Stewart	Enrich
Ian Walker	Gamblers Anonymous – speaker
Nicky Clayton	De Wearne Academy
Hazel Hardwick-Heath	Community
Reg Heath	Community
Julie Robinson	Long Toft Primary School
Helen Barrett	King Edward Primary School
Natalie Allison	Little Learners Nursery
Helena Blackburn	Doncaster Housing for Young People
Lana Cook	Doncaster School for the Deaf
Lynsey Moore	Adwick Primary School
Tracey Fry	Doncaster Council
Sarah Morton	South Yorkshire Fire
George Maitland	Community
Sue Vestey	Scawthorpe Library
Dan Machin	Heatherwood School
Kate Harvey	Heatherwood School
Marion Boyd	VoiceAbility Doncaster

<p>1. Welcome & introductions</p> 	<p>Natalie welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.</p>
<p>2. Apologies</p> 	<p>Some people could not make it to this meeting.</p>
<p>3. Review of the minutes from last meeting</p> 	<p>Natalie went through the minutes of the last meeting held in July 2019. These were agreed and set as a true record by those at the last meeting.</p>

<p>4. Actions from the last meeting</p> 	<p>Actions from the last meeting: There were no actions from the last meeting.</p>
<p>5. Gamblers Aware</p> 	<p>Ian Walker from Gamble Anonymous came along to the forum to raise awareness on Gambling and the support available. Ian spoke about his personal experience and problems he had with gambling and that now he has overcome this addiction and works for Gamble Anonymous to help others who are like he was,</p> <p>Ian works for Gamble Anonymous who are a support organisation where people can go and share their experience to help stop gambling. Ian travels around all the country to talk to community groups.</p> <p>The forum had a discussion of the causes of gambling. Approximately 300,000 people in the UK between 11-16 years old gamble.</p> <p>Ian spoke about how gambling has a negative effect on peoples Mental Health – 2 people a day commit suicide from a Gambling problem.</p> <p>Anybody can be referred to Gamble Anonymous for support from someone who has experience it themselves before and gone through it. Ian gets referrals from GPs, probation officers and many other organisations.</p> <p>Forum members gave their views and questions were raised.</p> <p>“ Never enough money for a gambler”</p>
<p>My Network for Women</p> 	<p>Jude Chan from My Network for Women invited the forum to attend their ‘Lets Talk about it’ networking event on 14 October 2019 10am – 2.30pm at Armthorpe Community Centre.</p> <p>This event is supporting World Mental Health Day. The aim is to get people together to talk about how we can save life’s and gain a better understanding of what causes suicidal behaviour and the positive benefits of mental wellness.</p> <p>Members are to contact Jude on 07881 612 098 or mynetworkforwomen@gmail.com if they are interested attending.</p>
<p>Any Other Business</p>	<p>Natalie reminded the forum HWD and DMBC are currently planning for this years Keeping Safe Annual Event on 12 December 2019. If anyone is interest in being a part of the planning group they are to contact Healthwatch.</p> <p>Action: Sue Vestey to contact the Choir if they will be interested in performing at the annual event.</p> <p>NBS informed the group that the next meeting will take place on 20 November 2019 and there will be a speaker on Winter Warmth / how to keep warm during the Winter Period.</p>