Doncaster Keeping Safe Forum

Minutes of the Keeping Safe Forum Meeting Doncaster Deaf Trust – Wednesday 20 November 2019, 10am – 12noon

People present:

Name	Representing
Sandie Hodson	Healthwatch Doncaster - facilitator
Emily Green	Healthwatch Doncaster – admin support
Sally Hickson-Clark	Doncaster Alcohol Services – speaker
Raquel Anne	Doncaster Alcohol Services – speaker
Di Fox	South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue – speaker
Lynda Harlington	Creative Support
Lisa Walker	Riverside
Tsvetaua Dotreva	Riverside
Helen Abbott	Riverside – speaker
Gareth Shaw	Riverside – speaker
Natalie Allison	Little Learners Day Nursery
Katie Hodgson	EXPECT Youth
Tracey Fry	DMBC
John Burke	Healthwatch volunteer
Helena Blackburn	Doncaster Housing for Young People
Gill Buckham	SAHA
Marion Boyd	VoiceAbility Doncaster
Kevin Reilly	Community
Sue Vestey	Scawthorpe Library
Jonathon Hall	Hill House school
Jean Stewart	Enrich

1. Welcome & introductions	Sandie welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Sandie informed the forum she is facilitating the meeting due to Natalie's absence and introduced herself.
2. Apologies I'm Sørry	Some people could not make it to this meeting: Diana Foster Kate Potts Kim Goldberg
3. Review of the minutes from last meeting	The forum went through the minutes of the last meeting held in September 2019. It was raised that the discussion on the new venue at Doncaster Cricket Club was missed off the September minutes. Emily will make changes. The minutes were then agreed and set as a true record by those at the last meeting.

4. Actions from the last meeting



Actions from the last meeting:

Emily mentioned that all future 2020 dates are yet to be agreed and confirmed the new venue for all 2020 meetings will be at Doncaster Cricket Club which is located on Bennethorpe Road. Emily to send out more details and directions.

Di Fox – South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue

Di Fox came to the meeting and gave a talk on Fire Safety round the festive period.

If anyone is aware of someone who is in fuel poverty in this cold weather, please refer them to Wellbeing Team or Energy Team at Doncaster Council. These teams will provide Warmth packs and carry out checks.

Di spoke about Fire safety and the main causes to fires over the Christmas period: cooking under the influence of alcohol, smoking, fryers, Christmas tree lights, etc.. Di informed the forum on what to do if a fire occurs in your home and how to reduce the risk of fires.

0114 253 2314 – Community Safety Hotline – please refer if you know someone who needs a smoke alarm fitted or tested.

Sally Hickson-Clark and Raquel Anne -Doncaster Alcohol Services

Sally and Raquel came to the forum to talk about the affects of alcohol and how to stay safe with alcohol over the festive period.

Sally informed the forum that Doncaster Alochol Services is now an independent organisation based on Priory Place.

Raquel told the forum her story with alcohol missuse and the addition she faced with alcohol. Raquel now works as a Co-ordinator/ volunteer for Doncaster Alcohol Services to try and support other people. The forum thanked Raquel for sharing her story.

Sally gave a presentation on how to stay safe with alcohol over Christmas time and informed the forum on the units the government have recommended.

Action: Sally to send Emily more information on units to send to the forum.

Helen Abbott and Gareth Shaw - Riverside

Gareth and Helen gave a background on their role at Riverside.

Gareth explained the main part of his role is to go on outreach across Doncaster borough to help people who are homeless to get into hostiles and safe accommodation and inform them on the survives available.

Gareth talked about the different hostiles and beds available for the homelessness.

Helen spoke about the new 'Spreading to Warm; project where people over Doncaster are donating knitted squares to produce blankets. This has received a fantastic response. All blankets are being put together by those in hostiles and the blankets will be given to families in poverty and those on the streets.

Gareth also mentioned if anyone wants to donate clothes, socks, underwear, etc. it'll be much appriated.

Any Other Business	Date of the next meeting: Emily will send out new 2020 dates once they have been agreed. Emily confirmed that the new venue for KSF meetings will be at Doncaster Cricket Club.