

Southampton Seniors Council

Minutes:

Meeting 19th May 2008

3rd Age Centre, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Present: Anver Jeevanjee (Chair), Diane Pearce, Don Harper, Dottie Vickers, Edwina Cooke, Joan Forrester, John Nixon, Lynn Day, Pat Presland, Peter Mattingley, Sandra Smith (Age Concern), Terry Holden-Brown, with Charlie Hislop and Sarah Beale in attendance.

Apologies: Vilma Scott, Edna Long, Eddie Leach, Yvonne Stacey, Liz Bushnell, Mary Carnegie, Jean Hanson- Vaux

1. Minutes and matters arising

The minutes were agreed as a correct record.

- a. It was agreed to put an item on health trainers in the next briefing to clarify what they do.
- b. Joan will be taking part in the Your Voice Advocacy steering group

2. Reports

Pat reported back on the meetings she attending exploring priorities around time of death for seniors. It was agreed to explore holding an event in Southampton to bring people together on the issue of end of life care.

John reported back from the meeting with Councillor Rayment. It was agreed that Charlie should contact Councillor White in the first instance, and also to seek a meeting for the seniors council, aiming to get his agreement to the items discussed. It was agreed to ensure timescales are given for people to respond.

3. Human Rights

It was agreed for Sarah to draft a response to the human rights inquiry, to be presented for discussion and agreement at the next meeting before submission.

4. Neighbourhood Partnerships

It was agreed to decide what the seniors council would like to see put in place regarding neighbourhood partnerships, then seek a meeting with Councillor Phil Williams.

5. Publication

Charlie agreed to continue to push for space in City View for the seniors council. It was agreed to seek regular space in the Echo for the seniors council,

and to send them future seniors council newsletters.

6. Domiciliary Care Contracts

It was agreed to arrange a meeting of the dignity task group to consider themes and issues for presentations from organisations tendering for care contracts. The group will also nominate someone to take part in the decision making process in the week commencing 28th July.

7. Later years proposals

Charlie described his proposals for responding to the Government initiative to create a later years surestart hub, which are at an early stage. It was agreed that the proposals should be pursued.

8. Any other business

- a. The Pensioner's Forum is holding an open meeting, 'Is Southampton a Good City to Grow Old In?', on Monday 9th June in the Civic Centre.
- b. It was agreed to invite Katherine Barbour to talk about being carers and good mental health at the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

16th June 2008, 3rd Age Centre