



Marden Links Parish Hub Working Group Meeting

4pm 10th January 2023

Hub Room

Summary notes from Meeting

1. Present
David B, Jeremy Stephens, Kate Ryan, Lesley Hayward
2. Apologies
Heather Baldwin, Sally Postlethwaite, Lorna Wathen, Deb Seamer, Jan Cross,
My apologies to Paula Barrett, Mike Blake and Chris Morgan. I missed you off the invite list
3. Update of position so far
 - Not including the open day, 7 sessions open, 19 visitors, great support from volunteers.
 - Grant to Herefordshire Community Fund submitted, Further grant to HC for a repair shop in progress, will be submitted once KR and DB have been to H.C Repair café showcase event on Saturday.
 - Broadband being installed on Thursday.
 - Office now locked as need to secure confidential PC documents in there. Accident book and first aid kit moved into Hub Room on top shelf.
 - Monthly working group meetings to take place on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm. Month by month Volunteer rota, activity/specialist sessions planned
 - Bookcase with books to loan/swap now available
4. Proposal to open twice a week Weds and Friday PM
 - Proposal agreed by working group with potential to open on additional days/times inc. possible evenings and weekends if demand is there and subject to volunteer availability
5. Discussion re possible activities during open sessions (Bookclub, Knitting Group, Artclub)
 - Main aim/purpose of the hub remains as an all inclusive social/support/information sharing venue with volunteer support. Any suggested activities and topics will be welcome during hub open sessions, provided open to all, or to run along side if visitors prefer not to take part.
6. Repair café
 - Grant application, mostly completed see above
 - Lease for outside space sent to owners for signing



- Exploring purchase of storage container to be sited outside Hub for repair shop (more secure/watertight/easier to level, add power supply and re-site than wooden shed)
7. News and views articles
- KR, DB to formulate a template to ease the process of writing the submission. (number of sessions/attendance) planned sessions opening times and possible activities for following month
8. Home baking
- Discussion re possibility of supplying home-made cakes for sessions. Great if volunteers willing or able to provide but alternatives are to buy good quality shop bought alternatives. Suggestion to use Upper Maund Caravan Shop, Bodenham HR1 3JB or either of Village shops
9. Volunteer rota
- 2 volunteers per session. There is now a calendar on the noticeboard in the Hub room to add names/initials. If after agreeing to run a session you find you are unable to attend, please could you ideally find your own replacement or let Kate or David know.
 - Please could anyone who hasn't already complete a volunteer record sheet and give/send to Kate. Copies are in the files list in the Whatsapp group or ask Kate
10. Finances
- We still have some money left from the original start up amount given by the PC if you have any suggestions for items we might like to purchase could you add to the list on the Hub noticeboard for group consideration
 - Cash Donations to date have been generous enough to cover milk, cake purchases.
11. Bookings for hub days (fire, Fastershire, etc)
- As soon as Internet is functional KR will book dates for fastershire computer training sessions dates to be advertised in N&V's
 - Please keep your eyes/ears open for any potential ideas for bookings
12. Date & time of next meeting
- Regular Monthly every 2nd Monday of month at 7pm (timing to allow programme of dates/activities to go into N&V's However, to accommodate a pre-arranged E&S meeting on 13th Feb MLPH next meeting will be 4pm not 7pm