MINUTES

OLDER PEOPLE'S PARTNERSHIP

Date & Time of Meeting	10 th January 2013 – 10am-12pm
	Alex McMinn (AMcM)
Attendees	Kiran Banati (KB)
	Beverley Garrity (BG)
	Marian Radford (MR)
	Margaret Paul (MP)
	Elizabeth Blamires (EB)
	Cllr May Blake (MB)
	Matthew Brown (MB)
	Beverley Page-Banks (BP)
Apologies For Absence	Glenn Harrison (GH)
	Dr Simon Frampton (SF)
	Steve Jones (SJ)

1.	Apologies		
	Beverley Page-Banks, Glenn Harrison, Dr Simon Frampton and Steve Jones	<u>Action</u>	<u>Time</u>
2.	Minutes of the last meeting	AMcM /EB	
	The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record.	<u>Action</u>	<u>Time</u>
3.	Clinical Commissioning Group Update	AMcM	
	Unfortunately Dr Simon Frampton could not attend the meeting, but had sent an update which the group welcomed as an informative document. EB stated that we could put this on the CVS website for relevant organisations information and will ask Greg Mitten to ensure health groups are made aware of it. The invitation that was also sent via GH was noted and MR believed it was a great opportunity for people to get their opinions across to ensure that the end of life care is the best that it can possibly be. The group was encouraged to attend this event and also encourage others.	Action KD & EB	<u>Time</u>
4.	West Lancashire Ageing Well Charter	AMcM	
	AMcM discussed the 'Lancashire Declaration' which is an initiative from Age UK to promote Health Cities. He encouraged	<u>Action</u>	<u>Time</u>

	the group to read the circulated document at their leisure.		
	He highlighted the 'Ageing Well Charter' found on the back page as important and something that we have been asked to support. MB stressed a concern about a dignity code which she will email to AMcM. EB stated that she would ask Greg Mitten to ensure that it is circulated to all CVS members.	CB EB	
	AMcM stressed that it would be a real shame if West Lancashire doesn't get involved with this initiative and push it forward.		
	AMcM encouraged the group's feedback and asked them to email him with any comments.	ALL	
	EB agreed that she would take it to the U3A Executives.	EB	
5.	(Loneliness) SilverLine Helpline	AMcM	
	AMcM began this agenda item giving a brief background on Esther Rantzen and her previous work. She had originally set up child line and later went onto set up SilverLine for older, lonely people. She recently did a talk for the U3A and asked AMcM to be on the Main Board for the initiative.	<u>Action</u>	<u>Time</u>
	If funding is available, SilverLine should be rolled out nationally April 2013. AMcM has agreed to bring more information and updates on this initiative to the next meeting. AMcM will ensure that he keeps the group up to date on any new information, as and when it happens.	АМсМ	
6.	"Redefining Retirement" – DWP Initiative	AMcM	
	AMcM gave a brief introduction to what Redefining Retirement was all about.	<u>Action</u>	<u>Time</u>
	BG stated that it wasn't an initiative but a team that supports various working groups e.g. the Ageing Well Project who help people lead a more productive retirement.		
	BG informed the group that the Ageing Well Project has actually finished and Redefining Retirement are looking to rename themselves.		
	AMcM stated that there were to be 100 pilot schemes held around the country but West Lancashire was not going to be involved. The question was asked, how do we get ourselves		

	involved in future developments like this? The Older People's Partnership needs to be noticed.		
	BG agreed that she would get in touch with the Redefining Retirement team and find out how we can get involved in the future. BG also stated that she would ask Brian to come to one of the OPP meetings to speak to the group and explain what impact it has on West Lancashire.	BG	
	KB also suggested that she got in touch with the End of Life team to come to the meeting.	КВ	
7.	Brookside – Update on Progress	AMcM	
	AMcM asked MB if the Fire Service had any involvement with Brookside seeing as they are based so near each other. MB informed the group that they do regular fire safety checks for the Brookside residents, they chat to people in the bistro, the knitting club at Brookside have made scarves, hat and other clothes which the Fire Service have used for their Safe & Well packs which they have been distributing to local residents.	Action	<u>Time</u>
8.	AOB	ALL	
	EB informed the group that Ormskirk Parish Church are hoping to start a Food bank. There will be a meeting to discuss future plans on 28 th January, 7:30, at New Church House. It will be an open meeting with Trussle Trust for anyone to attend. BG stated that DWP are going to seize administering crisis loans this year and will replace them with referrals to food banks, giving out food parcels and food vouchers instead. MR and many others in the group believed this was going to take away the dignity and choice of individuals. MB stated that she would raise this issue with the local authority.	Action MB	<u>Time</u>
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	 was due to start October 2013 but has been delayed until October 2015. MR stated that the Health and Wellbeing thematic group have agreed priorities and one of these is ensuring people have warm homes which Help Direct will take the lead on. MR to let AMcM know who's taking over chair. AMcM stated that he managed to get loneliness onto the Health & Wellbeing agenda but hasn't been able to attend the meetings to push it. MP told the group that she had received a lot of positive feedback regarding the Christmas day lunch at the Ecumenical Centre. This also touches on loneliness as many who were on their own at Christmas attended and could speak to others in a similar situation. MB informed the group that they were working with those suffering fuel poverty and were also hoping to start fitting carbon monoxide alarms – they have received funding to fit 200 in West Lancashire. They are also doing ongoing work with Help Direct, Age UK and U3A. MB suggested that when someone joins the U3A that they are referred to the fire service for a home safety check. EB told the group of a Christmas high tea that was held at Ormskirk Parish Church. 30 people attended. EB also went onto say that CVS are leading on Asset Based Community Development and informed the group that if an organisation attends an ABCD seminar they are eligible for funding. 	MR
9.	Date and time of next meeting	ALL
	Meetings to be held in the Cabinet and Committee Room at West Lancashire Borough Council Offices, Ormskirk. 14 th March 2013 – 10:00-12:00	