**Wirral Older People’s Parliament**

**Executive committee meeting**

**Friday 16th February 2018**

**Wallasey Town Hall**

**10.30-12.30**

**Apologies:** Pauline Sutton, Kath Ford, Sandra wall. Terry Sullivan

**Present:**

Winnie Cooke

Bernd Heerwagen

Audrey Moore

Jim Cadwallader

Ray Johnston (chair)

Jack Cuffe

John Turner

Beryl Mitchell

Carl Leckey

Rose Leckey

Celia Kennedy

Julie Kay (admin)

Previous minutes 19th January: agreed

**Matters arising**

Correction- when BH grit bins were returned they were actually full.

CL- New Brighton disabled toilet still not fixed, will contact council today

CL- discussed the issues of Oxfam and other charities being found to be doing immoral activities.

BH commented that it is clear that there is no such thing as a charity they are all run as businesses

Chair- feels very sorry that this story has happened as overall they do a good job on the ground and management needs to be looked at

CK- UK gives 13.7 billion to foreign aid and charities. So why does the general public need to donate? Members discussed this issue and why things like water aid are duplicated

**WOPP** report available to members

**Disability report**

CL and RL are on the parks committee for Wirral and as a result they will be visiting all parks to evaluate disabled facilities and access

Meadowcroft toilet issue now resolved after JK contact Jamie Anderson bat AgeUK wirral about the issue.

Jim Cad- can CL go to Port Sunlight and access disabled facilities at new heritage centre. CL already arranged this.

AM- has CL been to central park as AM couldn’t find any toilets there. CL they are in the middle of the park.

Vale Park toilets locked all the time now.

**Health and Social Care Report**

Chair informed members that Michael Chantler from CCG attend the meeting. Minutes to follow.

Chair to email Justine Dahner and invite to next HSC meeting

**Housing Report**

Chair- completing a funding bid for housing event with Wendy Cocks help, from care and repair England

Jim Cad- suggested chair contact Phil barton from Tranmere Planning forum

Chair- wants a Friday event to invite MP’s to.

Members discussed the issu of empty shops and flats and the results making areas much less economically viable.

**National Issues**

BH discussed articles on: elderly getting the least out of the welfare system, pensions, and funding of services.

JT- can we really afford to be sending such huge amounts of foreign aid without getting our own house in order.

**Finance discussion**

Chair- final audit of 2017 has arrived and finance committee will check and approve

2017-18 accounts much more straight forward thanks to JK new system of tracking payments.

AOB

CL promoted Meadowcroft activities by Age UK Wirral

**Next Meeting Friday 16th March 2018 Wallasey Town Hall 10.30-12.30**