**Wirral Older People’s Parliament**

**Executive Committee Meeting**

**Friday 15th March 2019**

**Wallasey Town Hall**

**10.30-12.30**

**Apologies:** Ray Johnston, Kath Ford, Sandra wall, Pauline Sutton

**Present:**

Carl Leckey ( Vice Chair) ,

Rose Leckey

 Jack Cuffe (Chair)

Terry Sullivan

Winnie Cooke

Garrick Prayogg

Bernd Heerwagen

Jim Cadwallader

John Turner

Julie Kay (admin)

Celia Kennedy

**Previous minutes of 15th February agreed**

**Matters arising:**

JK asked members to choose a local small charity to give our 2018 wopp donation too, Help link and Homestart were chosen, JK to arrange payments.

BH- phlebotomy redundancy is correct as reported in the local press.

Chair- asked members if we address mental health issues. Is there anything that we can do ?

GP- isolation is a major issue in mental health. People having drop in opportunities is a great help to this. CCG and NHS are currently making decisions on what services to offer.

Chair- there is no use us discussing this if there is no clear pathway from NHS

JT- GP are now limiting medications and offering social prescribing to patients.

GP- described the new IAPT (Improving Access to Psychological Therapies) service on Wirral for mental health patients. Finding is coming from different pots.

Chair- can we approach a mental health worker to be available for the new coffee mornings?

JK to action this.

Chair- agreed coffee morning a good idea at Bentinck Street.

**CL- disability report**

Toilets and radar key issues as lock does not work and people can walk in whilst toilet in use. CL is following up with council.

Warners Hotel stay . CL has written to the CEO as faciltites not disabled friendly. Reply received but no changes being made.

JT- commented that he gets info from Warners and felt that they didn’t want to be blocked with elderly customers and seen as only for the elderly.

CL- 97% were elderly when they visited.

**No crime and respect report**

**No Health and Social Care report**

**National Issues- available to members**

Chair mentioned WOPP collaborating with NPC concerning issues? JK to action this

JK to chase up Micheae Chandtler to speak about services in general at CCG.

**Housing issues**

WC- concerned at the extra cost on people to get housing support in sheltered housing. JK to investigate.

Chair and TS housing meeting needed.

JK to contact Wendy Cocks and others with a date.

Housing meeting Wednesday 3rd April at Bentinck st

TS- equality and diversity needs to be discussed as we have no idea about multicultural issues on Wirral.

GP- gave overview of situation. Offerd to be a link between opp and multicultural communities.

JK suggested discussing an afro-carribean lunch club at Bentinck Street? JK and GP to discuss.

Members discussed next meeting.

**No April meeting as clashes with Easter.**

**Next meeting is Friday 17th May at Wallasey Town Hall 10.30-12.30**