

Steering Group Minutes
 Tuesday 30th April 2019 - Focolare Centre, Welwyn Garden City

	Action
<p>1. <u>Welcome, introductions and apologies</u></p> <p>Present:</p> <p>Cllr Adam Mitchell (CAM) Herts CC Christine Wyard (CW), Ascend Helen Gray (HG), HCF Kat Shepherdson (KS), Team Herts Volunteering Kate Belinis (KB), CDA Herts Kristy Thakur (KT), HCC Lynne Misner (LM), Small Acts of Kindness Marty Perrett (MP), Connect Hertfordshire (minutes) Pam Cousins (PC), Hertsmere DC Paul Kelly (PK), Connect Hertfordshire (Chairing the meeting) Reynold Rosenberg (RR), Herts Inter Faith Forum Sue Jessop (SJ), Connect Hertfordshire Tim Anfilogoff (TA) (Speaker), Head of Community Resilience and NHSE Social Prescriber Facilitator East of England Tim Parlow (TP), HCC</p> <p>Apologies from:</p> <p>Amanda McIntyre (AM), Stefanou Foundation, rep CEO Group Anita McArthur-Worbey (AMW), Pohwer / Herts Help Deborah Paniagua (DB), Age UK Herts Helen Mutio (HM), Community Action Dacorum rep CVS Jeremy Keeley (JK), South Hill Centre, Hemel Lynda Tarpey (LT), Connect Hertfordshire Maddy Thompson (MT), Connect Hertfordshire Matt Hughes-Short (MHS), Herts Sports Partnership Mekhola Ray (MR) East Herts DC Mohammed Alam (MA) North Herts Minority Ethnic Forum Sarah Sullivan (SS), DRUM Watford Cllr Terry Douris (CTD) (Adam Mitchell in lieu) Tracy Webber (TW), HCC</p>	
<p>2. <u>Minutes and matters arising from previous meeting on 16th January 2019</u></p> <p>Previous Minutes: The minutes were agreed.</p>	

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<p>Matters arising: KT will update on the split between statutory services and voluntary sector attending the last Voluntary and Community Sector Conference.</p>	<p>KT</p>
<p>3. <u>Speaker: Tim Anfilogoff</u> Head of Community Resilience and NHSE Social Prescribing Facilitator, East of England</p> <p>Presentation on the new NHS social prescribing initiative in Hertfordshire and the role of the VCS Tim updated us on the thinking on developing Social Prescribing in line with the NHS Plan in West Herts (and more broadly across the STP). There were previously two events to introduce this to the VCS on 24 + 25 April attended by around 75 people</p> <p>See the attached presentation, which emphasises the overarching belief that “Community is the best medicine” and that as little as 10% of the population’s health and wellbeing is linked to access to healthcare. The strategy links to the National Loneliness Strategy and to the health of carers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim will share the slides and notes, draft a plan and update regularly. • BMA and NHS England agreement to seek a local VCS organisation to host the Link worker and manage the service. • The link worker would prioritise socially isolated people with complex needs and help to build relationships • West Herts will have 16 x PCN’s, and East Herts likely to have 13, all with 1 Link worker initially, then 3 workers per PCN after the first year. One PCN is likely to have 3 – 4 GP practices. What does a PCN look like? Who are the members? – still uncertain at present, but TA will provide a map of PCN’s once they are confirmed. • Important to integrate the Link workers with the current social prescribing model in Herts based on Herts Help <p>Main feedback themes from the open meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive response from VCS • Some VCS concern re delivery without additional funding • Feedback on opportunities and concerns over new networking and relationships • KT explained that once the new Link workers were integrated with the current community navigators, there would be a review of provision and gaps. <p>Action Steering Group agreed that it would be helpful to have Health Initiatives (including social prescribing) on the programme for the Herts Compact meeting on 6th June to discuss the opportunities and what the VCS contribution could be. TA was invited to attend.</p> <p>In addition, the group was asked whether they would contribute towards the thinking before the Compact meeting. Work could be done via email if unable to find a time to meet in person.</p>	<p>TA</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>TA</p> <p>PK and ALL</p>
<p>4. <u>Programme Update</u></p> <p><u>Performance</u></p>	

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<p>7. <u>AOB</u></p> <p>The steering group congratulated CW on Ascend's successful bid to the Building Connections Fund, which centres around delivering more evening and weekend events.</p>														
<p>8. <u>Next meeting</u></p> <p>Wednesday 26th June 9.30 for 10 – 12, followed by the Herts Older People's Network steering group 12-1pm. Venue: Focolare Centre for Unity, 69 Parkway, Welwyn Garden City AL8 6JG</p>														