

Autism Support Committee Meeting – Minutes Monday 25th February 13:00-14:00

Attended: Dr Philip Unwin, Jackie Walker, Lesley Watts, Sharon Cleary, Margaret Thewsey, Evelyn Beales, Angela Marriott

Room Options:

- The Christ Church Centre
- D:Two
- Kings Barn – Margaret Day Room
- Morris Tate
- Arc – Shiplake Church
- Magoo's

Funding:

- Waitrose
- Henley Community Matters
- Henley Lions
- Be Well
- Rotary Club

We will need funding to cover:

- Cost of room hire
- Visiting speakers

Decisions made:

- Name – Autism Support Henley (ASH)
- Support group meetings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the month, we will start off with a 2hr session and then we can grow the session from there or add more. This is to be a drop in session for anyone to come along to.
- First session to be held on Thursday 14th March at the Margaret Day Room 2pm-4pm. For people to come and chat, ask for advice from peers.

Actions to be take:

- Lesley will book the Margaret Day room for the 14th March
- Philip will ask the rotary club for funding, write to Dame Shirley, and talk to Dr Hearsey about a piece in the Henley Standard regarding autism.
- Margaret will organise tea and coffee for first meeting
- Evelyn will talk to Lloyds re bank account for group
- Jackie to look in to other funding options
- Sharon will contact the Henley Lions
- Drop Community Matters leaflet in to Waitrose for funding

Everyone in the committee has agreed to share email addresses with each other to allow easy communication. Angela will send round email with copy of minutes to everyone for approval.

Update on actions from meeting:

- Dr Unwin has secured some funding from the rotary club, has written to Damn Shirley and Dr Hearsey will be writing a piece for the Henley Standard
- Sharon has been in contact with Henley Lions and we await there reply.
- Lesley has booked the Margaret Day room and has made contact with Healthwise Oxfordshire and awaiting reply from them.
- Evelyn has been to Lloyds and dropped bank details into the surgery
- Community Matters leaflet dropped into Waitrose