



## **Lewes and Havens Community Network 'A Festive Celebration' (follow up & feedback)**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, Trinity Church St. Johns Sub  
Castro**

We very much hope you that those of you who came along enjoyed the Network meeting. Please find attached the slide presentation from the event.

### **Evaluation summary**

- 28 participants attended
- Of the 19 respondents completing evaluation forms, 15 participants indicated that the main outcome they intended to put into practice because of attending the Network meeting will be to follow up with contacts made during the event.
- The main gains derived from attending cited by participants were 'learning about other services' (14 responses) and 'making new contacts' (6 responses).

### **Main outcomes**

The main theme of this Network meeting was to highlight and celebrate the key roles performed by a range of voluntary and community sector groups and public sector organisations, plus some of their achievements during 2018, throughout the Lewes & The Havens area.

This was delivered via an innovative and colourful 'Advent Calendar' which was designed and collated by 3VA and the LLWs with images (photographs/video clips) contributed by Network participants, who offered short presentations in explanation and support of the images they sent in.

During the event participants were also asked via an interactive 'festive' display to indicate things that they would like for Christmas and things they felt their group/organisation could offer to local communities.

Among the fantastic range of offers, participants cited;

- Help for community groups with horticulture support and general advice about use of green spaces during the winter months - Karen Rigby-Faux, Burleys; [krigby-faux@gburley.co.uk](mailto:krigby-faux@gburley.co.uk)
- Possibility of free event space , communal lounges in sheltered accommodation with kitchen facilities – Angie Chandler: 07800 689228
- Donations to Food Bank – donate via your local supermarket
- Sharing of information on local services – Sarah Gorton & Sue Dunkley: [sarah.gorton@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.gorton@eastsussex.gov.uk) and [sue.dunkley@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:sue.dunkley@eastsussex.gov.uk)
- Level 2 in volunteering – Nancy Daly: [Nancy.daly@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:Nancy.daly@eastsussex.gov.uk)
- Free courses for adults aged 19+ - Zoe Nickolls: 030 300 38212
- Support and advice and mentoring: setting up and running Good Neighbours Scheme. Lewes and Villages and Towns – Chiara Vagnarelli, AiRS: [chiara.vagnarelli@ruralsussex.org.uk](mailto:chiara.vagnarelli@ruralsussex.org.uk)
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## Next meeting

**Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup> 2019.** Somewhere in The Havens (venue and booking details TBC)

In the meantime, have a great holiday season and a brilliant start to 2019! See you soon.

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