

Carer Group Aims and Objectives

1. Name

The name of the group shall be

2. Aims

The aims of are to:

- Bring together current and former carers
- Meet monthly as a friendship/social support group
- Share information and experiences
- Have social activities/occasional visits and speakers (e.g. speakers/social activities bi-monthly a quarterly raffle and one visit/outing a year)
- Provide a break from caring

3. Membership

Membership is open to any Adult (over 18)family carer /former carer.

No yearly membership fee or regular contributions are required. A voluntary contribution to running the group may be requested if speakers and outings are to be arranged.

A list of all members (telephone numbers and email addresses where available) will be kept by the volunteers supporting the Group so that they can advise members of forthcoming meetings etc. Contacts details will only be used for this purpose and not shared with other members of the Group.

The Carers Group will meet informally and have no elected committee. As such the entire group is the 'management committee' and everyone is responsible for the Group's affairs, with all members agreeing to contribute in whatever way they feel able.

4. Equal Opportunities/Group Behaviour

TheGroup aims to treat every member equally, regardless of their age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation.

Members agree to have respect for one another, be non-judgemental, and confidential, keeping all personal information shared at the meetings within the Group.

Any offensive behaviour, including, but not limited to, racist, sexist or inflammatory remarks, will not be permitted. Anyone behaving in an offensive way or breaking the equal opportunities statement may be asked not to attend further meetings or to leave the group if an apology is not given or the behaviour is repeated.

5. Meetings

Meetings will be held at theon the of each month from

It is expected that one meeting a year will be used to review the previous 12 months and plan for the forthcoming year.

6. Amendments to the Aims and Objectives

Amendments to the Aims and Objectives will be agreed by a simple majority of members present at any Group meeting

7. Dissolution

If a meeting, by simple majority, decides that it is necessary to close down the group it may call a Special General Meeting to do so. The sole business of this meeting will be to dissolve the group.

If it is agreed to dissolve the group, any money and other assets, once outstanding debts have been paid, will be donated to a local charitable organisation. The organisation will be agreed, again by simple majority, at the meeting which agrees the dissolution.

These Aims and Objectives were agreed by the members present at the first meeting of the

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