

ACP Information

Some highlights..

Making the papers!!



The Churchers Chefs who were amazing through the lockdown



Then Marion back at the helm



Post-Pandemic Newsletter

Dear Readers,

Welcome to our pandemic summary edition of the Age Concern Petersfield newsletter. We've had a weekly newsletter throughout the pandemic which was delivered with our meals - of which there were thousands! Hot meals delivered to over 200 people a week, and with it kindness and care with people knowing that someone was looking out for them. We also set up specific pandemic services with a new army of volunteers doing people's shopping and collecting prescriptions. Nicky will let you know more about what we have been doing to help people through this crisis.

We are now back to some kind of new normal. Our lunch club has re-opened, outings and our transport into town services have restarted, IT Coaching resumes in September and our telephone befriending and help at home service continue as normal. We welcome all of you to come and hope to see as many of you as possible.

For those of you reading this that we have been working with over the past 18 months you have been an absolute joy. The thank you letters, texts, emails and donations have been absolutely terrific to receive during what was a turbulent and scary time. A huge thank you as well to each and every volunteer that stepped forward to commit their time and energy to helping others. They are all true heroes.

Sheridan Rocher

ACP Manager

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Outting's list

Lunch Club back where it should be!



The community centre welcomes us back

Wednesday morning transport into town restarted on 21st July. Our lovely drivers will pick you up from your door in our minibus so you can have a mooch round town, and then bring you back. Cost £2 return.

IT coaching - we are recommencing our face to face classes from Thursday 9th September. Book in for a one to one session with an experienced coach to learn whatever you wish email, shopping online, how to zoom, internet searches etc. Bring along your phone, tablet, iPad or other device. The coaching takes place at the Winton House Centre on the High Street, cost £30 for 6 hourly sessions.

Call Sheridan to book for either of these 07852 172998.

Monday 9th August 11am £15

Chawton House

Chawton House, Alton - Beautiful Historic house inherited by Jane Austen's brother Edward. Gardens, Library, Exhibitions and Tea room. Transport and entrance included..

Not suitable for those with limited mobility. You would be restricted in how much of the house and gardens you could access.

Monday 16th Aug 1pm £6

Stansted Park

A drive there via Compton and Funtington. Stansted Park has woodland walks, a walled garden, a Garden Centre, choice of two cafes and the lovely Pavillion Tea Room. The journey back is via Finchdean.

Suitable for those with limited mobility

Monday 23rd August 1pm £8

Bracklesham Bay

A drive down to the delightful Bracklesham Bay Tea Rooms and Garden housed in an 18th Century cottage. It is a five minute walk to Bracklesham Beach.

Suitable for those with limited mobility. The walk to the beach is on a footpath along the road.

Friday 10th Sept 11 am £20

PREMIER OUTING

Parham House and Gardens, West Sussex

Parham is one of the country's finest Elizabethan Houses. The gardens consist of beautiful Pleasure Grounds and a four-acre Walled Garden. There are stunning herbaceous borders, a glasshouse, vegetable garden, orchard and a 1920s Wendy House. Price includes access to the gardens and house, and transport.

Suitable for those with limited mobility. Just be aware that some of the paths are uneven. The house has handrails on wide stairs to the upper floors.

Monday 20th Sept All day £15

PREMIER OUTING Chichester Canal Barge

A day's outing for a boat trip on the Chichester Canal. Lunch and Afternoon tea are available in the cafe on site, with its adjacent Heritage Centre. Price includes transport and the boat trip.

Suitable for those with limited mobility Suitable for those in wheelchairs

Friday 15th October All day £16

Amberley Museum

The Museum is dedicated to preserving the industrial heritage of the South East. With 36 acres to explore and over 40 exhibits to visit, you can discover over 150 years of the South's working past in what was once a busy chalk quarry and lime works. Entrance fee included in the price. Cafe on site.

Suitable for those with limited mobility depending on how much walking you choose to do

More Information

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A little reflection on our achievements...

During our 20-week Pandemic stint of delivering prescriptions and providing a shopping service and not counting the final week, here are some figures...

- 569 portions of fish and chips delivered
- 686 shopping trips carried out
- 844 prescriptions picked up and delivered
- 88 random other jobs done for people from gardening to mending things, moving furniture, picking up samples, driving people to hospital appointments, and whatever else was needed.

It was a rollercoaster of a time and I am an extremely proud manager of Age Concern Petersfield and our absolutely amazing team of volunteers that literally threw themselves into helping others.

We delivered over 3,400 meals, a fantastic service that was provided by the amazing Bev, Nik and the team of chefs at Churcher's College. All unpaid, and all because they wanted to do something to help.

It is a time that we will always remember as a time of people coming together, lots of laughs, and an overall sense of what community is about.

Watch this space, we hope to continue to give you the opportunities to try new things and meet old and new friends. See you soon!