

VOLUNTARY ACTION EPPING FOREST

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Chief Officer Report— Jacqui Foile



This year has seen Voluntary Action move into new areas of delivery to support the needs of the local Epping Forest community. Priority areas of work have focused on the promotion of emotional and physical wellbeing, the prevention of social isolation and loneliness, and warmer homes. Individuals and voluntary organisations have benefitted from a number of training events to familiarise participants with signs that may indicate somebody is at risk of having a fall or perhaps experiencing depression. Further to one of the “Mental Health First Aid” training events we held, one participant commented “an excellent, informative course to give everybody the skills to talk to other people about how they are feeling”.

Voluntary Action staff, trustees and volunteers who attended the courses are now undertaking falls and depression screening with clients and, if appropriate, other individuals they come into contact with. Different options for assistance are then outlined to interested parties. Due to this work a number of new relationships have developed with other organisations, including “Healthy Minds”, “Provide” and “Employability”.

Other training took place throughout the year including “Make Every Contact Count”, “J9 Domestic Abuse”, “Managing Challenging Volunteers” and “Mental Health in the Workplace”.

It has been business as usual in other areas of our work and as such we have provided support, information and advice services to the local voluntary and community sector. The funding assistance offered along with our informative weekly information email bulletins were particularly well received by local charities. Members of staff have attended a number of key strategic meetings to represent and share the views of the local voluntary sector. These have been linked to health and wellbeing, social care, the ageing population, young people’s issues and general community matters.

We continued to maintain the Essex Connects database which is a searchable directory of groups in the district and Essex-wide that provide community services. This has proved to be a great way for Voluntary Action membership organisations to promote themselves. Work has continued this year on the Voluntary Action Winter Warmth campaign funded by Essex County Council (ECC). Referrals have been received from the Children’s Centres, Epping Forest Foodbank, a number of churches, Epping Forest District Council (EFDC) Housing Officers, Community Agents, Health Professionals and Social Care. Support provided has included food parcels,

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electrical goods such as small heaters and microwaves, warm clothing and fuel tokens. The scheme was supported widely and, in particular, we took the opportunity to attend the Stay Well Winter events held for members of the public.

We were delighted to develop a new partnership this year with St. John's Church in Epping and were even more delighted to welcome one of their clergy, Olivia Maxfield-Coote onto our Board of Trustees. It was a pleasure to hold a number of the training events we facilitated in this beautiful church.

After quite a long journey with our colleagues at Rainbow Services in Harlow and Uttlesford CVS it was exciting to establish our West Essex Community Action Network (WECAN) into a company limited by guarantee. Now we are a legal entity we are able to look for opportunities to deliver via WECAN across the West Essex patch.

Another move of offices took place this year from the EFDC offices in Hemnall Street to Woodside Industrial Estate in Thornwood. Staff and Trustees worked tirelessly to ensure the move went smoothly and the office was nicely decorated when we moved in.

Voluntary Action's Time Bank project developed a number of new mums' groups in the district and apart from gaining new friendships and support within the groups, the mums also made up some "Bags of Love". These were given out at the

district's Children's Centre Christmas parties and to clients of the Voluntary Action ACE Activities Learning Disability service.

One of Voluntary Action's more established services, Befriending, celebrated its tenth anniversary with a party where nearly 100 clients attended. We await with everything crossed the outcome of the Big Lottery funding application submitted to continue delivery of this much needed service.

A new service for Voluntary Action was launched this year focusing on supporting clients with the use of digital appliances such as Smart phones, tablets and Amazon Echos.

Some very positive press was received along with regular social media updates. In addition, the Voluntary Action website, www.vaef.org.uk had a refresh.

Fundraising remained a priority this year and it was pleasing to receive some wonderful support from local organisations and people. In particular I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Roding Rotary Club, the Theydon Bois Golf Club, the Roding Probus Group, Nigel Barber, and Pesh Kapasiawala.

Thanks also to our main funders EFDC, ECC and the many others listed in this report who have supported us throughout the year.

Last, but of course not least, many thanks to the staff team, volunteers and trustee

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board for their commitment and exceptional achievements this year. Our Chair, Gill Mann, has continued to be of great personal support to me in my role as Chief Officer for which I am extremely grateful.

Next year will no doubt bring new challenges, but I am certain there will also be new opportunities for Voluntary Action to embrace and lead on. The focus will continue to be the promotion of good health and wellbeing and the prevention of social isolation and loneliness. A new strategic plan will be in place laying out our intentions for the next three years.

I trust you will enjoy reading this report which highlights the great work that the Voluntary Action Volunteer Centres and services have undertaken this year.

As yet another year passes I would once again like to end my report by thanking the many voluntary and community groups we work with for the excellent services you deliver in our district. These clearly continue to make a huge difference to the lives of many.

Jacqui Fole



Chair Report – Gill Mann



This past year has realised our ambition to find a new home for Voluntary Action. We are now based in Thornwood, Epping. After months of uncertainty, the staff are pleased to be settled into their new offices. The offices have been transformed through the efforts of staff, into a warm, welcoming environment.

We have continued to raise the profile of Voluntary Action locally and this has resulted in some donations from local organisations as a result of fund-raising events. We have achieved regular coverage in the local press. Voluntary Action continues to seek funding in order to secure the future of its services to the local community. Nina Gavens, Funding and Information Officer, ensures that the website is up to date and keeps our members informed of local activities and news.

Our Board of Trustees continues to work well together, each taking responsibility for supporting one of our community services. Unfortunately, our Treasurer, Lynn Howarth left the area and stepped down from the role, therefore we are actively looking for a new Treasurer. We

are delighted to have co-opted a new trustee, Olivia Maxfield-Coote, who represents St. John's Church, Epping. Jacqui Foile, Chief Officer, maintains optimism and enthusiasm and works tirelessly to seek every opportunity to extend the work of Voluntary Action and forge new relationships with local stakeholders. She is always open to new ideas and supports her staff to develop their services where funding permits. No funding opportunity is missed! She is ably supported by Executive Assistant, Debbie Smith, and Finance Officer, David Wright.

A new fundraising working group has now been established which is being lead by Voluntary Action's Project and Business Development Officer, Charlotte Hyett.

I cannot commend highly enough the staff working in the various services. They are committed to helping the local community, putting so much effort and enthusiasm into their work and always full of new ideas. Numerous letters and comments have been received from clients expressing gratitude for the help they have received from staff and volunteers.

With a new base and some new services, it has been the right time to revisit our strategic plan for the future and we are grateful to David Morriss for assisting

with this task. We have work yet to do but the process of looking at where we are and where we want to be has proved useful.

Volunteers play a crucial role in Voluntary Action and Maggie Gilchrist and Della Nash, our Volunteer Coordinators have successfully recruited many new volunteers who work with the staff or are placed carefully within other organisations.

I recommend this annual report to you as a reflection of the on-going success of Voluntary Action in combating the loneliness and isolation of our local residents and facilitating and supporting volunteers in Epping Forest.

Cherie M. Mann



Volunteer Centres—Epping Forest and Harlow

The Volunteer Centres Epping Forest and Harlow are part of a nationwide network of independent accredited agencies that act as “matchmakers” for people seeking volunteering opportunities and not-for-profit and charity groups needing volunteers. We match the interests, skills and time of local people with the needs of groups operating in the Epping Forest district and Harlow area. We also encourage and support organisations to operate good practice in volunteer management.

Epping Forest and Harlow Volunteer Centres are part of the Volunteer Centres Essex network. We work closely with our Essex colleagues towards achieving greater consistency and partnership working for the benefit of our local areas and the Volunteer Centre network as a whole.

Volunteer Centre Epping Forest

Achievements

- Volunteer Management training course which was attended by 12 different projects or organisations recruiting volunteers in the district
- Fundraised £1,300 to hold celebration events that recognised the contribution made by volunteers

Statistics

- 280 members of the public registered to volunteer
- 390 introductions to volunteering organisations were facilitated
- 123 volunteers started volunteering
- 222 volunteering opportunities were advertised on Volunteer Essex for this district
- 18 volunteer recruitment events were held

Looking Forward

- A more targeted approach to recruiting volunteers and creating opportunities that improve health and wellbeing in the district. This will focus on geographical areas where local needs have been identified such as loneliness or need for increased activity and other identified health outcomes.
- Developing bite sized volunteering opportunities for those who want to support their community and have limited time available.
- Volunteer Management training course for local organisations recruiting volunteers.



My Weight Matters Volunteering

Voluntary Action, in partnership with Anglian Community Enterprise, are running a weight management service which is free for anyone registered with a GP in Essex. This is an initiative funded by ECC and involves working with community partners to help people to lose weight and follow a healthy diet following NHS guidelines. EFDC has provided us with a venue at the Community Services office in Hemnall Street, Epping, and Restore Community Church has supported us with a venue in Loughton at the Oakwood Hill Community Centre.

We are delighted that 73 Members of the public were supported to lose weight on a 12 week programme. This service has been made possible by the recruitment of 5 volunteers trained and recruited to support this project.

Volunteer Centre Harlow

Achievements

- Successful move into new permanent accommodation based in central Harlow
- Delivered, in partnership with Rainbow Services, an Inclusivity training course for voluntary organisations
- Ran a Community Lawn for local voluntary groups at the annual Harlow Art of the Garden Party
- Held two celebrations for National Volunteers Week

Statistics

- 214 members of the public registered to volunteer
- 197 introductions to volunteering organisations were facilitated
- 75 volunteers started volunteering
- 179 volunteering opportunities were advertised on Volunteer Essex in Harlow
- 9 volunteer recruitment events were held

Ace Activities

The award winning Ace Activities Project for People with Learning Disabilities provides a range of meaningful activities for Adults (18+) in the district. Our projects are suitable for those wanting to develop life and work skills and those looking for interesting activities and social interaction.



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Supplier Recognition Awards Winner



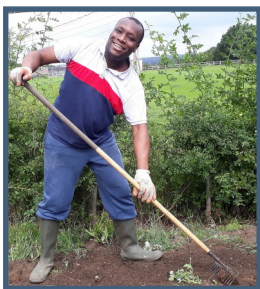
The project is funded by individual spot and personal payments, Youth Music and the Grange Farm Trust with additional funding from the Jack Petchey Foundation, the Co-operative Society and from Tesco Bags of Help scheme.

Achievements

- Voluntary Action's Ace Activities project's successful application to ECC to become an approved Day Care Provider.
- The Conservation Project said a fond farewell to the Royal Gunpowder Mills (RGM) after 12 years of working on a number of conservation projects as well as contributing to the upkeep of the site. We would like to thank RGM for their welcome and hospitality and wish them every success in the future. The team are now working in partnership with the Grange Farm Centre and the Essex Wildlife Trust working on a number of projects in and around the centre and the Roding Valley Meadows. They have made tremendous progress on the construction of a Community Garden which will be completed later in the year. The members are working on their Outdoor Learning Practical Skills Certificate to enhance their personal development.
- The Community Art project has enjoyed a year of varied activities including historical and sensory walks, summer fetes to exhibit the art work, and outings to galleries and museums. We have introduced a healthy eating lunch club before the main session where we cover the subject of nutrition in a fun way with quizzes, competitions and examples of healthy food.
- The Catering Project in the EFDC Civic Offices is in its fifth successful year. Participants gain valuable work experience and training in the staff cafe with a view to building confidence and working towards a career in catering.
- The Allotment Project in conjunction with Parsonage Court Sheltered Housing Scheme for older people had another good year and has grown a variety of crops. The members have learnt a wide range of horticultural skills whilst working alongside some of the residents who have a vast experience of gardening and

growing plants. It has been heart-warming to see the inter-generational interaction between the two groups. All produce is donated to Parsonage Court.

- The 'All Together Now' singing group continues to increase in numbers. They have performed at the Loughton Festival and the Sunflower Chigwell Disabled Group. 'All together Now' is much more than just a singing group, it has become a much anticipated weekly event with individuals benefiting from the social interaction, increase in confidence and personal fulfilment.
- The Ace Upcycling Project in partnership with Epping Forest Reuse and Riverside Timber Recycling Project has had another successful year. The scheme offers training and mentoring in restoring and upcycling furniture and wood. The members' skills have increased considerably and they are now working more independently. We are very grateful to Riverside Timber Recycling Project who have been working on refurbishing an old barn for the groups to use later in the year. The group sold a range of wooden products at Epping and Theydon Bois Fairs and through social media. The goods ranged from garden planters, potting tables and chopping boards through to hedgehog homes and skittle board games!



Statistics

- 39 clients supported by the project
- 6 group activities
- Clients have spent a total of 4,230 hours in supported group activities
- Volunteer support staff contributed over 1,609 hours in the last year

Looking Forward

Ace Activities is looking to develop the service in all areas. We will be introducing ASDAN accredited training in all projects. Participants, where appropriate, will follow a programme of study - ASDAN Employability at their own pace. Participants will be supported to create a portfolio of evidence to meet criteria for accreditation towards work, volunteering or further training opportunities.

Ain't No Mountain High Enough

The second year of the project, funded by Youth Music, has been a fantastic success with a high number of sessions being delivered to 29 musicians over the academic year. The project partners with New City College and Epping Forest PHAB Club to deliver music making opportunities to young adults with learning challenges who would not otherwise have access to such life affirming activities.

The project began with a number of taster sessions which allowed potential participants to try out a number of activities before making a choice to become involved. These included a number of individual instruments, choir sessions and percussion groups. Once our musicians had selected what they wanted to be involved in, planning was undertaken with our partners to schedule these activities. This year we have delivered percussion groups, guitar and keyboard lessons, a choir and a weekly music appreciation session. Our young musicians have also made four live performances.

We have a Facebook page which contains photographs and films of the activities and performances as well as supporting comments from those who have checked in to check out what's going on. Many of our participants go online to see themselves celebrated on these pages. This was particularly the case when our musicians were involved in a joint performance with two established musicians for the Youth Music Give A Gig week in April. Our youngsters had a wonderful experience performing and asking questions of the two professionals and developed some lovely, supportive relationships with them. Many have gone on to follow them on Instagram and other platforms.

This has been a terrific year with many young musicians developing their technical skills and creativity and their understanding of and ability to discuss music in advanced ways. We have been supported by New City College both in terms of the staff time, expertise and financially. This financial support has also contributed to our successful third funding bid and we look forward to starting again in September.

Statistics

Totals for project 2018/2019

- Taster sessions 10 for 45 musicians
- Tuition sessions 342 for 29 musicians
- 334 Hours
- 4 Live performances



Gardening

The Gardening Service provides gardeners and volunteers to maintain the gardens of people physically unable to do so themselves, namely older people and the disabled across the district. The Gardening Administrator liaises with clients regarding gardening requirements and need. Tasks undertaken include clearing, pruning and mowing. EFDC is the main funder for the Voluntary Action Gardening Service.

Achievements

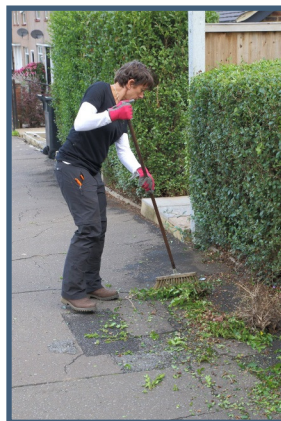
- Continued funding from EFDC to tend gardens for Council tenants
- We have also been granted an award of £2,000 from The Essex Community Foundation, which will be used to purchase gardening tools and equipment

Statistics

- 115 Council tenants received 498 gardening visits
- 8 Garden clearances were completed
- 9 Homeowners received 30 gardening visits
- 11 Volunteers worked with the gardening team
- 627 volunteer hours given to the service for gardening and administrative support

Looking Forward

- Working with the Volunteer Centre to recruit more volunteers





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This service was set up in May 2017 to support homeowners in the district requiring a trustworthy, reasonable, reliable and police checked handy-person to complete odd jobs around the home. Jobs have included putting up sheds, re-pointing walls, changing lightbulbs, fitting grab rails and keysafes, fixing cupboards and fitting together flat pack furniture. 117 residents have been supported this year.

Handyman for Council Tenants

The Handyperson Service is a hugely successful partnership between EFDC and Voluntary Action. The service is funded by EFDC and provides an award winning handyman to their tenants provided they are over 60 and or disabled **and** have no one else who can assist them.



Achievements

- A conservative estimate is that well over £30,000 in savings made for tenants using the service rather than using commercial contractors
- Partnership work with EFDC Housing Management, EFDC Scheme managers continued to prosper
- A new van purchased with generous financial help from EFDC
- We have many heart-warming case studies demonstrating what an enormous difference the service has made to those most in need

Statistics

- Over 400 referrals were received and completed
- Of the 400+ referrals received most were for multiple tasks equating (conservatively) to over 800 completed jobs
- 98% of faulty light bulbs were replaced within 48 hours
- 100% tenant satisfaction with excellent feedback
- 90 volunteering hours given to the service

Looking Forward

- To continue to seek publicity through EFDC publications and local press wherever possible as well as within Voluntary Action social media streams to maintain our profile and ensure as many tenants as possible are aware of the support available
- To continued support from the Housing Repairs team

Befriending

The Befriending Service aims to provide support and friendship for those living on their own or in isolation. The service offers three weekly activity clubs at North Weald, Loughton and Waltham Abbey, which provide various activities such as seated exercises, quizzes, entertainers, games, bingo, arts and crafts as well as fortnightly day trips out which give much needed stimulation to many whilst reducing their social/rural isolation. In addition, the service can provide a 'friend' who will be able to offer companionship by forming a trusting and supportive relationship offering a smile, a listening ear, links to other services and regular visits to the client's home.

Achievements

- A party held to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Befriending Service with over 100 clients, staff & volunteers attending
- Volunteer training courses including First Aid, minibus passenger safety, Moving and Handling and MIDAS training

Several successful fundraising events held including:

- London Marathon
- Charity Abseil
- Car boot sales
- Cake sales

Regular trips were held for clients including:

- Canal boat trips cruising the River Stort with lunch
- Cream Teas at Hunters Meet and Mulberry House
- Themed cabaret lunch at Royal British Legion, Hunters Meet & Mulberry House
- Zinc Arts for a film afternoon and lunch
- North Weald Airfield visit, Duxford Airfield visit
- Greyhound Racing
- Southend day trip
- Loughton Festival held at St Michael's Church
- Clients enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party at Hunters Meet

Statistics

- 96 clients attending clubs
- 7 clients receiving one to one visits in their homes
- 27 volunteers assisting with the service
- 5 - 10 clients receive regular weekly visits in their own homes

Looking Forward

- To recruit additional volunteers to continue to enhance the service
- To increase volunteer skills through training opportunities
- To continually strive to provide enjoyable and stimulating activities and events
- To work with other agencies to seek clients for referral
- To secure funding to continue the service



Benefits Advice

The Benefits Advice service is available to those whose personal circumstances make it difficult for them to access services in their area or outside of the home. A home visit can be made and information provided on benefits available to the individual along with assistance to complete application forms. The service is available to those who live in the Epping Forest district. Referrals are received from other agencies and health professionals.

Achievements

- The service is in its fourth year and has continued to receive an increased number of referrals from other agencies, health and social care professionals
- Due to the increasing number of referrals, two volunteers have been recruited to the service
- We have provided advice and completed applications for a range of benefits such as Attendance Allowance, P.I.P, Carers Allowance, D.L.A and ESA
- The Co-ordinator has attended local groups to give talks to their members
- Funding awarded from Essex Community Foundation to continue the service in 2018 – 2019
- The Henry Smith Charity has awarded funding to continue the service for three years from 2018 - 2021
- Loughton Town Council also awarded a grant to the service

Statistics

- 190 people received advice and information on benefits
- 130 benefit applications completed
- 100 successful benefit applications (The outcome of some applications is still awaited)

Looking Forward

To continue to support residents of the district with a variety of benefit applications



Case Study

Mrs D was referred to the service for a benefits assessment and an application for Attendance Allowance was made which was successful and she was awarded the higher rate. As Mrs D was also struggling with her mobility an application for a Blue Badge was made which was also successful. This made her life much easier when attending hospital visits and travelling to the local shops. She was also awarded Pension Credit. Mrs D reported that her life had been made much easier by receiving these essential benefits. She was able to afford both help in the home and to use a taxi service when going out. Receiving these benefits has relieved the anxiety she was feeling over her failing health and poor finances. She is now able to access her local community and is able to choose services that she feels will benefit her best.

Services Gallery



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Olivia Maxfield-Coote	St John's Church
Dr Myrna Gilbert	Individual Member
Sally Crone	Mind in West Essex
Gaby Gold	Adviser, EFDC
ClIr Brian Rolfe	Adviser, EFDC

Our thanks and best wishes go to the following staff and trustees who left in 2018/19:
Lynn Howarth, (Treasurer), Elizabeth Rawlings, (Trustee), Kevin Gay, (Gardener), Karen MacMillan, (Gardener), Pauline Townsend, (Timebank Co-ordinator)

Voluntary Action Volunteers

Caroline Avey
Nigel Avey
Nigel Barber
Ray Berg
Alan Brett
Alfred Burgess
Donna Castle
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Voluntary Action Members

Limited Members

Samaritans of Redbridge
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Voluntary Action Funders

Full audited accounts are available. Please contact the main Voluntary Action office if you would like a copy.

Our main core funders this year were EFDC and ECC. The funding contributes to Voluntary Action's core work and direct services. It also enables us to lever in funding from organisations across the district.

Our services and additional work were funded by:

The Big Lottery Fund
Essex Community Foundation, High Sherriff's Award
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