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COMMUNITY AT TOLLERS

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Partners Newsletter



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£10,000 #IWILLFUND

FLLC Youth Group are developing their music and media skills with the aim to push out positive and uplifting music for the mainstream platform.

£9,500 #THELCRF

We were unsuccessful at applying for funding as a committee so our Partners Play Place helped to get the funding. We will collaborate to support residents & volunteers during the COVID Lockdown process.

£5000 #ONEALLIANCE

The Over 50s Club now have the capacity to sustain themselves for 4 years. We are in the process of finding out new ways to engage and support over 50s in their home.

PARTNER SUPPORT WE GIVE OUR GRATITUDE

from us all at Community at Tollers and residents

Thanks to all out funders and partners. A special thanks to;
Chris Hennis & the team at Play Place for supporting our staff with training and being a partner to sustain the group objectives
Clr Margaret Bird has been great and hard working at supporting Community at Tollers with residents complaints, build works, maintenance and safeguarding concerns



OUR COMMUNITY RESPONSE

by all committee members and active volunteers

The committee pulled together and we initially knocked on residents homes, reached out to our online community to see who could volunteer during this time. We needed volunteers for supply collections, organising supplies, delivering supplies, medical/prescriptions collections, shopping and general telephone support. Working outside of our area to support vulnerable people in the CR5 postcode where we have had to liaise with one local residents association regarding support, supplies, weekly shopping and distribution.

Our main client groups are families, single parents, the elderly, SEN, disabled and those fallen into a vulnerable category since COVID was announced.

During the course of the lockdown residents have needed advocate support with utility and maintenance. Our older, lonely residents, just simply need to have a chat over the telephone. Extreme loneliness for older residents and family pressures for single parent families is becoming more apparent.

Our committee members. Jenny and Yvonne are on board to offer social support (befriending), advocacy and financial guidance. The committee and active volunteers continue to support residents with food supplies, medical/prescription collections and shopping. Overall, this has had a positive impact as residents have formed trust & confidence with the committee memebrs who have now become more visiable which has empowered residents to take more responsibility, pride in where they live, support one another and report local concerns.



TRAINING & DEV JUNE 2020

Training for volunteers
We have 6 residents in motion to complete AQA Youth Work Training online with our partners Play Place

FLLC Youth Group
Has now gone online. Our partners YUAF and Play Place have shared a full Mon-Fri Youth program for them to engage in. We will roll out a new online program on Zoom. Young people will engage with professionals in music and media to develop their online platform and set up their foundation on the CAT website in preparation to invite more young people to join post COVID.

Online Zoom Quiz
Resident volunteers will host an online weekly quiz for residents of tollers estate.

Keeping it Green
The committee have motivated residents to litter sweep their area to keep it clean.

"I am so so happy for your support, it is great." Male, 60

"You guys are doing an amazing job, god bless you, really thank you" Female,72

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