

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Agenda Item No.

meeting date: 9 SEPTEMBER 2014
title: MEALS ON WHEELS/LUNCHEON CLUBS
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1 PURPOSE

1.1 This report provides Committee with an update on the provision of Meals on Wheels Service and other Luncheon Clubs in Ribble Valley

1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities:

- Community Objectives – The provision of services supports older and more vulnerable people in the community and provides a point of contact for those residents with other partner agencies
- Corporate Priorities – The service helps make peoples' lives safer and healthier
- Other Considerations – None

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 There has been an ongoing review of the provision of Meals on Wheels Service and Luncheon Clubs in Ribble Valley, which has previously been reported to Members at the March and June 2014 meetings of this Committee.

2.2 The current provision of Meals on Wheels has now ended and alternative arrangements made for the recipients. A report is attached with details of the review is attached as Appendix 1

2.3 A survey of luncheon clubs in Ribble Valley, attached as Appendix 2 shows those funded by the current scheme, others not funded and new clubs who given a funding contribution would like to start. It would appear, from this survey that current unfunded drop-ins would find a small contribution to their running costs from the Council budget helpful in improving their immediate viability and establish a sustainable future.

2.4 It remains clear from research that the main requirement from luncheon clubs and village halls is to provide a meeting place for those in the community that cannot readily leave the village and consequently suffer from isolation and loneliness

2.5 The letter from LCC, attached in Appendix 3, shows that the County will match funding on all luncheon clubs set up in Ribble Valley through to March 2015.

3 INFORMATION

- 3.1 Luncheon clubs are currently supported at Chatburn (Methodist Church), Longridge Hospital (Ribchester), Mellor (Methodist Church), Whalley (Methodist Church Hall), Pendle Club, Clitheroe with a contribution to hall rents and some contribution to each meal. This helps maintain the viability of the individual schemes, all meals are charged at around the £4.50 price point.
- 3.2 New luncheon clubs and drop in events are being currently developed within the villages that have expressed an interest in setting up a scheme in their community.
- 3.3 The Council's role in response to the service changes is focusing on ways to support new and existing drop-ins and luncheon clubs through ongoing working with partners in the communities, including the Royal Voluntary Service. This support does not imply any responsibility for the Council in the delivery of the meals or activities. Work is also being progressed to initiate local good neighbour schemes and volunteer led activities in village halls by developing the community support already established there. Funding for these activities have been made available through the voluntary sector and this will complement the luncheon club schemes.
- 3.4 The agreement between RVBC and LCC allows for luncheon clubs to be introduced and match funded by LCC. It is envisaged that these will be set up in the next six months in accordance with the agreement in Appendix 3 utilising the existing provision for "Meals on Wheels" but now not being used through to the end of March 2015. These individual proposals and grant requests will be brought back to Committee as they arise.
- 3.5 This match funding from LCC is in place for 2014/15. It is not clear yet if this will continue in 2015/16.

4 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 That Committee note the contents of this report.

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MEALS ON WHEELS RECIPIENTS

Area	ISSIS Number	Surname	Forname	Provision as from 1st July in place of RVS MOW	Contact Notes	Action by TA	Action by JW	Contact method details
Clitheroe				Frozen meals.	On the spot advice, guidance and information given about Help Direct and local services. Follow up contact in person or by phone.	Telephone contact only. Confirmed family aware of assessments / services available and how to make contact in future.	Via family - Daughters:	
Clitheroe				Frozen meals.	On the spot advice, guidance and information given about Help Direct and local services. Follow up contact in person or by phone.	Social Care Assessment, confirmed needs not Critical or Substantial. Confirmed family aware of assessments / services available and how to make contact in future.	Via family - Son:	
Mellor				Frozen meals.	Advice, guidance and information given about Help Direct and local services. Builders from the safe trader list who can undertake a bathroom adaptation to a walk in shower. Local cleaners. Local sheltered accommodation,	ROVI referral. Info re: alternate delivered meals. Info re: additional luncheon clubs. Confirmed service user aware of assessments / services available and how to make contact in	Direct with service user.	
Hurst Green				Eating at local pub.	On the spot advice, guidance and information given about Help Direct and local services. Further information and referrals as follows: Referral for support with applying for Attendande Allowance at Higher Rate. Follow up contact in person or by phone.	Social Care Assessment, confirmed needs not Critical or Substantial. Referral for adaptation - access to rear garden. Confirmed service user aware of assessments / services available and how to make contact in future.	Direct with service user.	

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Chipping				Private hot meal delivery.		On the spot advice, guidance and information given about Help Direct and local services. Follow up contact in person or by phone.	Social Care Assessment, some Substantial needs by all being met by family who provide substantial support. Referral for perching stool. Family considering DP in lieu of MV. Confirmed service user / family aware of assessments / services available and how to make contact in future.	Via family - Daughter-in-law Margaret Inskip, 01254 826438
Clitheroe				Private hot meal delivery.		On the spot advice, guidance and information given about Help Direct and local services. Further information and referrals as follows: Checking Ye Olde Cobblers for Gluten free meals; Info re: Little green bus; holiday hotels in Blackpool. Contact with housing agency re: tenancy related support. Info re: Housing benefit query. Referral for assistance with clearing outhouse. Follow up contact in person or by phone.	Social Care Review. Planned reduction in POC at request of service user. Referral for financial reassessment due to increased savings.	Direct with service user.
Clitheroe				Private hot meal delivery.		Visit offered but declined. No actions required.	Telephone contact only. Confirmed service user aware of assessments / services available and how to make contact in future.	Direct with service user.

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Chipping				Private arrangement (TBC).		None required	None required	Contact received via RVS,
Hurst Green				Private hot meal delivery.		Visit offered but declined. No actions required.	Telephone contact only. To conduct review when meals changed and POC settled.	Contact with daughter
Clitheroe				Private hot meal delivery.		Visit offered but declined. No actions required.	Follow up to reassessment due to sickness of allocated worker - for approval of Support Plan completed by Salvere.	Direct with service user.
Clitheroe				Private Dom Care POC.		Visit offered but declined. No actions required.	Contact with allocated worker only.	Via allocated worker
Clitheroe				Private meal delivery and luncheon clubs.		Visit offered but declined. No actions required.	Contact with allocated worker only.	Via allocated worker
Whalley				NA	Requesting access to residential care	Visit offered but declined. No actions required.	Contact with allocated worker only.	Via allocated worker
Clitheroe				NA	<i>Deceased 12/04/2014</i>			N/A
Clitheroe				NA	<i>Now in residential care</i>			N/A
Whalley				NA	<i>Now in residential care</i>			N/A
Clitheroe				NA	<i>Deceased 20/01/2014</i>			N/A
Clitheroe				NA	<i>Deceased Jan 2014</i>			N/A
Clitheroe				NA	<i>Meals ceased 31/03/2011</i>			N/A
Clitheroe				NA	<i>Admitted into permanent residential care November 2013.</i>			

Appendix 2 – Current meals, luncheon / social club activity provision within Ribble Valley (as at July 2014)

Service / Activity	Provider:	Funding:	Duration / length:	Number of people:		RVBC/LCC Budget
Chatburn Methodist Church Downham Road, Chatburn, Clitheroe, BB7 4AU 01254 822130	Run by church members/volunteers	Meals and recreation grant subsidised Pay £4.50 per meal	Fortnightly on Wednesdays 12noon	Average 15	Offset rent	£400.00
Pendle Club 101-103 Lowergate Clitheroe BB7 1AG Val Cooper 01200425652	Run by volunteers	Meals and recreation grant subsidised Pay £3.50 per meal Meals made on premises	Weekly – Weds	Average 30 people	Offset rent paid quarterly	£1,690.00
Mellor Methodist Church Mellor Lane, Mellor, Blackburn, BB2 7EW 01254 57365	Run by church members/volunteers	Meals and recreation grant subsidised Run by church Pay £4.00 per meal	Fridays 12:30pm	Average 12	Grant	£790.00

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Whalley Luncheon Club Whalley Methodist Church Hall 01200 423313	Run by RVS	Meals and recreation grant subsidised Pay £3.50 per meal	Weekly on Wednesdays	Average 10	£2.25 subsidy per meal Estimate 458 meals	£1,030.50
League of friends at Longridge Community Hospital DALE HEAD, Dilworth Lane , Longridge, PR3 3SU 01772 782495	Run by volunteers	Meals and Recreation grant subsidised Pay £2.00 per meal	Weekly on Mondays	Average 14 people	Nett subsidy of £2.50 per meal Estimate 533 meals	£1,532.00
					Estimated Total (2014/15)	£5,442.50
Waddington Village Luncheon Club The Square, Waddington Lancashire BB7 3HZ Rev. Tony Davies 01254 822130 John Brocklebank		Independently run by Methodist Church Pay	Second Wednesday in month October-April	Around 12		

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<p>Grindleton Village Hall</p>	<p>Run by volunteers</p>	<p>Independently run by village hall Pay</p>	<p>Monthly</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>Have indicated need for £30.00 per session to offset hall Rental plus £1.00 subsidy per meal</p>	<p>Estimate £280.00 2014/5 (Annual equivalent £672.00)</p>
<p>St James Church Luncheon Club St James Street Clitheroe BB7 1HH 01200 423608 Barbara Dennet 01200425580</p>	<p>Run by church members/volunteers</p>	<p>Run by church Pay £4.00 per meal But sometimes soup and roll-free of charge</p>	<p>Most months</p>	<p>10/12 but can be 30</p>		
<p>Chipping Lunch Club</p>	<p>Chipping Village Hall</p>	<p>Independently run Pay</p>	<p>Monthly on a Thursday</p>	<p>Average 20</p>		
<p>United Reformed Church East View Read BB12 7PS Mrs. A. Wild, - 01282 772810</p>	<p>Run by church members/volunteers</p>	<p>Independently run by community Pay £4.00 per meal Meals cooked by resident</p>	<p>Monthly</p>	<p>Around 12</p>		

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Rimington Luncheon Club Rimington Memorial Institute/Village Hall Con Nicholson - 01200 445311	Run by local residents (Ann Smith)	Independently run Pay £6 per meal	Last Weds in Month	20	Have indicated a need for £20 per meeting to offset hall rental	£120.00 2014/5 (Annual equivalent £288.00)
Hodder Valley Luncheon Club Slaidburn Village Hall Jackie on 01200 446555	Slaidburn Village Hall	Independently run Food from café Pay £5.50 per meal	11.30am. Third Wednesday in month	12		
Downham	Downham Village Hall	Independently run Pay £1.00 for coffee	Monthly 10.00-11.30am	Average 20		
Ribchester	Nothing yet but keen to start					
West Bradford	Potential Opportunity					
Pendleton	Working up a scheme					
Gisburn	Potential Opportunity					

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Your ref:
Our ref: MRG/AD/01
Date: 1st July 2014

Dear Kay,

I would like to take this opportunity to confirm that Lancashire County Council's Meals and recreation grant is available for the finance year 2014/2015 to enable Ribble Valley Borough Council to provide joint funded community based luncheon / social club provision.

Set out below are details of the grant and the terms on which Lancashire County Council are prepared to proceed.

The grant will commence from 1st April 2014 for a maximum period of 12 months, it is expected that Ribble Valley Borough Council will:

1. Monitor the community based social club / provision that the grant supports;
2. Engage and develop effective working relationships with the luncheon / social clubs provision;
3. Complete and send back to the Senior Public health / Commissioning Co-ordinator at the end of the financial year, along with a grant claim form, a summary that clearly highlights the provision the grant has supported;
4. Where relevant and appropriate, promote and encourage partnership working between the luncheon / social club provision and other LCC funded services such as Help Direct, the East Lancashire Befriending service, local libraries etc. that may help meet the needs of the users of the luncheon clubs, for example promoting Help Direct drop ins at luncheon clubs;
5. Identify a lead contact to liaise with LCC regarding the meals and recreation grant and confirm the details by email;
6. Complete the grant claim form utilising the existing formula (the grant is claimed in arrears based on 50% of this Council's Meals on Wheels and Luncheon Club net expenditure up to a ceiling calculated using the pensionable population of the borough and a per capita multiplier).

Following receipt of the signed copy of this letter the grant claim will be processed and released by Ribble Valley Borough Council submitting a claim form.

Please confirm your agreement to the contents of this letter by signing and returning one copy of this letter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ADe', is written over a horizontal line.

Andrea Dixon

Well-being and Prevention Commissioning Manager, East Lancashire

Meals and Recreation Grant agreement.

Please sign to agree to the proposals set out in this letter.

Signed: _____

Name: _____

Position: _____

Organisation: _____

Date: _____