#### Minutes for meeting of Access 2 All

Areas: Friday 24th April 2015

11.00 am to 1.00 pm

#### Accessible Information







## Who was at the meeting?

Roy, Lillian, Tom Rook, Mark, Jane Kirkman and Angela Haydock (GMP), Barbara, Geoff, Carol, Councillor Lea, Burt, Andy, Elaine, Joan Fielder (Helping Hands), Councillor McIntyre, Philip Connolly (Fab Lab), J, Joanne Kennedy, Andrew, Amy Vining and Jenny Birkett (from Waterside), Anne Broadhurst, Ray (First Bus), Kay, Danny Broadist (SCLL), Murran Grub, Joan and Brendan Anderson, Caroline, Alison Casey, Christine, Glennys



# Who could not come to the meeting?



Carolyn, Sarah Shegog, Elaine Humphries, Terri, Neville, Greg, Tina, Susan Fisher, Alison (CVS), Marion, Julie Lucas, Judith

## Awards for All England



- It was announced that Access 2 All Areas have been successful in it's bid for funding from the National Lottery
- The group thanked Tina Antal for her support (Tina was not able to attend the meeting)
- The money will be used to purchase much needed IT equipment

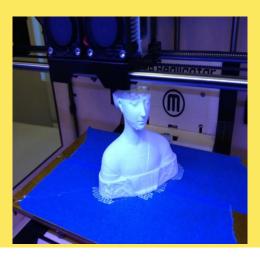
## Salford Community Leisure



- Danny Broadist informed the group of the personal training service and also accessible facilities provided by Salford Community Leisure. You can contact Danny at dan.broadist@scll.co.uk
- Caroline noted carers go free in SCL facilities
- Joan and Brendan reported that they were working with SCL on accessibility for people with a disability
- Councillor McIntyre mentioned the work he was doing with SCL to provide hydrotherapy services
- Danny indicated to the group that he would look at pricing and see if any discounts could be agreed.

## 3D Printing

- Philip Connolly from Disability Rights UK told the group about some 3D printing or digital fabrication sessions that were taking place in Salford.
- Workshop sessions arranged @ Media City on 30<sup>th</sup> July
- Let Phillip know if you are interested in attending this exciting event



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#### Power in our Hands



- Jenny and Amy talked about the work that people attending The Waterside have done to develop a communications pack for Doctors to use in their surgeries. The pack can help when Drs are talking to people with learning difficulties, dementia, autism, children and people with complex needs and helps to break down communication barriers
- It includes symbols and pictures so people can identify where, e.g., where there is pain
- Pack (including a DVD) has gone to all GP surgeries, hospitals, Meadowbrook, Neuro and A&E.
- It was suggested that the pack be promoted on social media and on the A2AA website

#### Access Issues

- Tom talked about the Transport Directory consultation that he had been involved in with Janice Lowndes
- Burt asked if Access 2 All Areas could be involved and asked if Tom could come along to the next meeting to see where we could input.



#### Website for Access 2 All Areas



Volunteers to meet to discuss how the website can be developed

This will be a big opportunity to get more volunteers involved with the group

#### First Bus



- Ray talked to the group about a Disability Activity
  Day which had been a big success with drivers having a
  better appreciation of what it is like to have a visual
  impairment
- There was a discussion about how people can complain if something goes wrong and Ray stressed the importance of taking the serial number of the bus which is located on the front, sides and the inside of the bus
- •Some disabilities are not immediately recognisable e.g. Dementia) and so priority seating is not offered.
- Burt asked that Rob Hughes be invited to the next meeting

#### Greater Manchester Police

- Mark told the group that 618 hate crime incidents had been reported in the 12 months to 23 April 2015. Most of these were verbal abuse. 18 cases were from people with a disability. He said that there had been an increase in reporting at third party centres.
- Mark said that the police had been doing some Autism and Aspergers
- He said that a personal safety training session had taken place at a dementia meeting – Burt asked if Mark could provide this training at a future Access 2 All Areas meeting – Mark agreed.
- Angela explained what a Police Community Support Officer (PCSO0) does
- Angela also explained what is meant by restorative justice



## Any other business?

There were no Any Other Business items



## Next meeting

Friday, 10 July, 11.00 am to 1.00 pm, Salford Suite, Civic Centre, Swinton



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