



Ambition for Ageing Bury

Progress towards a more Age-Friendly Bury

AfA Bury Team – Who we are

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AfA Bury Partners – Who we are working with

We have enjoyed meeting a wide range of Bury partners to discuss how we can align AfA Bury with local strategies and needs and also share the learning. We are making use of links with the partners to gain advice. We are also in the process of setting up a strategic partnership group. Partners include: Bury Council, Six Town Housing, The Lifestyle Service, Radcliffe GP Surgery, Making Space, Bury Diabetic Support Group, Libraries, NHS Physiotherapy Service and Best of Bury.

AfA Bury Investments – Where we are investing

| Organisation | Ward | Brief |
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| Friendly Faces | Radcliffe North | IT equipment and tuition for their group to enable them to communicate with friends and family digitally |
| Incredible Edible | St Marys | Raised flower beds to enable people with mobility issues to participate within the group |
| Abbey Close Tenants and Residents Association | Radcliffe North | 6 planters to help make a trail around the estate and tools for the gardening club to enable new members to join in and to keep the community looking attractive for all residents |
| Friends of Chesham Woods | Moorside | Dry stone walling course so they can fix the wall within the woods and also a new notice board so they can encourage new members and let people know what is going on |




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AfA Bury Investments – Where we are investing(cont'd)

| Organisation | Ward | Brief |
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| Clarks Hill Retirement Living | St Marys | Meal for all residents to encourage new residents and residents who never join in with activities to create new friendships and also find out what they would like to form their activity programme for next year |
| Our Lady of grace Over 60's Club  | St Marys | Supported a meal for a group to encourage new members and retain current members. Also invested in a bingo caller so they can hear the caller and continue to play bingo. They are hoping this will bring back some members who have stopped attending and also encourage new members. |

AfA Bury Investments – Where we are looking to invest next

| Organisation | Ward | Brief |
|---|-----------------|--|
| Age UK | Moorside | Secure disability benches for outside the centre for members and non-members to use |
| Indoor Bowling Group | Moorside | New equipment which will enable the group to continue and to recruit new members |
| The Fed | St Marys | Activity programme for a group of Holocaust survivors who are residents at The Fed to increase their social activities |
| Friendly Faces | Radcliffe North | Range of outings to encourage new friendships which can be built on outside of the group. Also to develop confidence of people in going out further than the local group |
| Red Bank Tenants and Residents Association  | Radcliffe North | Craft sessions for residents and other community members working with the local Pupil Referral Unit to show each other skills i.e. knitting and using a smartphone. Anything made at the sessions will be sold to fund further sessions. |

AfA Bury Investments – Where we are looking to invest next (cont'd)

| Organisation | Ward | Brief |
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| Incredible Edible | St Marys | Lock-up in the park for the storage of tools – they will also look to sharing this with other groups in the park |

AfA Bury – What we're working on

- Developing a calendar of events using volunteers to find information about groups, activities and events in the wards and a volunteer to design the calendar.
- Working with 2 volunteers who have highlighted their struggle in going into groups without any idea of what the group is like. They will be visiting groups and doing reviews which will give people an insight into the group for the newsletter.
- Monthly newsletter sent out to keep people in the loop of what's going on within the project and also for us to shout out for any help.
- Twitter and Facebook accounts are up and running to give people real time updates of what we are doing (have a look - we have pictures too!)

Please follow us: <https://twitter.com/BuryA4A>

<https://www.facebook.com/GroundworkAmbitionforAgeing/>

AfA Bury – What we're proud of

- **Excellent working relationships built up with groups and organisations with a lot of support within Bury and the local communities, receiving invites to group events and also partners networking events.**
- **Ensuring a happy and fun approach to the project which people respond really well to.**
- **Volunteers – slowly but surely are developing and finding a role within the programme**
- **Really good to have made investments and be finishing the calendar year on a positive note.**
- **Good knowledge of what's already going on in the wards to enable us to build on local strengths.**
- **Positive and motivated staff committed to the project.**



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AfA Bury – What we are planning to do next

- Organising a launch event for the New Year
- More local networking sessions have been arranged including attending the Health and Wellbeing board.
- Getting more involved in the community – pop up events at local libraries, community cafes and supermarkets.
- Organising more strategic meetings with volunteers to ensure they have a clear goal and what they can achieve which fits in with the time they have available for the project.
- Attend the weekly GP surgery session at Radcliffe and develop working relationships with GP surgeries in the other wards.
- Develop closer links with churches, TRA groups and carers groups to focus on reducing social isolation.

AfA Bury – What do we need from you

- Links to local organisations and groups
- Championing the programme in local networks and via social media
- Helping in the co-design of projects
- Helping us recruit volunteers
- **FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**



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