



Selsey Community Forum

Annual Report – 2019/20

1. Selsey Community Forum has continued in 2019 to encourage partnership working so residents can discern and meet their own needs. Led by a trustee committee of eight, the charity has operated its fundraising policy faithfully and ensured all safeguarding and staff needs have been met. Adequate insurance and fiscal probity have been ensured. Trustees Fred Allen, Brian Hall, Simon Keen, John Fletcher, Karen Pirks, Colin Rickman and Mike Nicholls have ensured compliance with charity governance.
2. Six forums have met on a total of 47 occasions to plan work for young people, adult social care, seeking funding, sharing organisational information, encouraging leadership and exercising oversight.
3. Selsey Care Shop, has seen 6000 calls made and 3000 visitors enquire for information. Newcomers, tourists, outside agencies and older people have been served. The service now copes with dementia, Carers, Wellbeing and activity support. Twenty-one different events are run each month.
4. Nine working groups:
 - Progressed a commuter cycle route to Chichester.
 - Organised a Christmas Day lunch.
 - Administered £20000 grant fund on behalf of Ferry Farm Solar Project.
 - Encouraged SCF Workshops.
 - Formed SCF Catering.
 - Provided Selsey Befrienders for combatting loneliness.
 - Undertaking Forget me not Selsey to create a dementia friendly service and community.
 - Oversee Selsey Dementia Action Alliance and Carers Support Selsey.
5. We are grateful to those who engage in fundraising activities, grant givers like local Councils, Allen Lane Foundation, Awards for All, Kleinwort Foundation, Sussex Community Foundation, Big Lottery Fund, Chichester District Council, Operation Watershed and local commercial sponsors and in kind funders. We appreciate £18000 worth of volunteer time given by 80 people. We are grateful for other communities who seek our advice and use our structures.

Thank you to all who support our endeavours.

Mike Nicholls
Chairman