

Place Directorate / Ernest Stevens Trust Corporate Landlord Services

Lease Terms /Challenge outcomes

Mary Stevens Centre Year 2019 – 2020

Venue :

Organisation -

Beacon Centre for the Blind

Caring Matters	Evidence
<p>Healthy Communities - Better Health</p>	
<p>Improve physical health of VI communities</p>	<p>Group activities, walks in the green space around the centre, sensory garden has been developed for use, litter picks, group exercise sessions, ball games involving the local community, healthy eating initiatives,</p>
<p>Improve mental health of VI communities</p>	<p>Alternative therapies such as Reflexology and alexander technique, one to one support, group outings and social activities, creating friendships and neighbourhood networks, coffee mornings,</p>
<p>Develop services that are responsive to the needs of VI communities</p>	<p>service user steering group to inform and lead on what VI communities needs are, some aspects of development have been; therapy classes, coffee mornings, external speakers technology classes, social activities,</p>
<p>VI Communities have more access to support and advice</p>	<p>Policy work, Information services, Technology training, one to one support around benefits, employment and training, workshops, external speakers,</p>
Environment Matters	Evidence
<p>Environmentally Aware Communities</p>	
<p>Develop a sensory garden for VI communities to use Improve mental and physical health by sensing nature activities</p>	<p>Sensory garden has been developed for use, litter picks, exercise routines in the green space, ball games in the green space involving the local community, group walks around the green space, flower planting, weeding,</p>
Improved Leisure Facilities	Evidence
<p>Develop leisure facilities in consultation with VI communities</p>	<p>Alternative therapies, walking group, social activities calendar, physical exercise programmes, gardening,</p>
Regeneration Matters	Evidence
<p>Economically Active Communities</p>	

<p>VI communities accessing employment, education and training opportunities</p>	<p>classes on employment, training and education, workshops, external speakers, BBO programme, Employment programme</p>
<p>Safety Matters Safer Communities</p>	<p>Evidence</p>
<p>Volunteer befriending service</p>	<p>Befriender goes out 4 hours per week to support individuals</p>
<p>Linkline service</p>	<p>Telephone contact and conversation about how people are and feeling</p>
<p>Creating friendships</p>	<p>developing friendships so that people can support each other, we monitor all our members and will flag up any issues on safety/safeguarding with the relevant agencies. We have a great relationship with the Chief of Police in Dudley and are delivering Programmes with them</p>
<p>Quality Service Matters Equal Opportunities</p>	<p>Evidence</p>
<p>consultation, evaluation and review</p>	<p>All services are developed in consultation with the steering group and the VI community at large, robust evaluation system in place to ensure equal opportunities, safety, health outcomes, and opportunities created</p>