



Dementia Action Plan 1st October 2021

At the June 2017 Town Council meeting, Councillors confirmed they wished to investigate becoming a member of the Dementia Action Alliance (DAA). Since that time, Biddulph Town Council has been working on an action plan that will move the town towards becoming a 'Dementia Friendly Community'. Below is a summary of progress to date.

Number	Action	Responsibility	Update 1 st October 2021
1a	Identify staff to become Dementia Friends Champions; attend appropriate training	SH/JH	All Officers trained.
1b	Run sessions in the Town Hall for individuals in Biddulph who wish to become Dementia Friends; this is a one-hour session. Groups to include: Councillors, Town Hall staff, Traders, Fire Service, Ambulance Service, Police, Housing Associations, Churches, Sainsburys, etc.	SH/JH	Over 146 people have been made Dementia Friends: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMDC Customer Service Staff • BTC Councillors and Staff • Public Sessions <p>In November SH and JH will be attending Woodhouse to make the whole of Year 7 Dementia Friends. We will offer this to all Biddulph Schools including primary.</p>
2	Supply copies of the Alzheimer's Guide to a wide range of partners.	JH	Staffordshire Moorlands District Council Customer Service Staff Received. Ongoing liaison with Police.



3a	Use the Dementia Action Alliance Checklist to check all Biddulph Town Council provisions, making changes where necessary; consider toilets, kitchen, foyer, etc.	SH/JH	Biddulph Town Council have made changes to the Town Hall toilet signage which is now Dementia Friendly. Submit application for Disabled Facilities Grant to continue the changes in the toilets (contrasting toilet seats, handrails and new door locks).
3b	Make the Dementia Action Alliance Checklist available to partners, e.g. High Street Traders, etc.	JH	Checklist added to www.biddulph.co.uk website.
4a	Identify current dementia provision in Biddulph. As part of this, identify gaps - can we help and where can people go for help?	SH/JH	Traders and schools focus for 2021-23. Incorporate into Biddulph Network meetings. Work with new Staffordshire Moorlands PCN mental health professionals. The creation of the Town Guide to support Biddulph residents on where to go.
4b	Advertise	JH	Dementia page added to website. Update on social media.
5	Town Hall to adopt a 'safe place' status.	JH/SH	Have made application for safe space status.
6	Consider dementia perspective in any events, tourism, leisure facilities that are run by the Town Council.	JH	Biddulph Town Council events take consideration. Dementia Friendly Cinema is an event aimed for those living with dementia.
7	Police – Registering With the Herbert Protocol	JH/SH	Police have adopted this protocol. Advertised on our social media and information on Biddulph Town Council Reception.



8	Support Dementia Week/World Alzheimer Day	JH /All	2020 social media only - due to covid. 2021 Reintroduction of Dementia Friendly Cinema.
9	Consider Biddulph becoming a Dementia Friendly Community	SH/JH	We are registered on the DFC as 'emerging.' We can take this forward with the Support Staffordshire Community Officer. The first steps are to pull together a steering group this group has to consist of people living with dementia. Whilst Biddulph Town Council can support, we cannot chair.
10	Biddulph Town Council are now part of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Dementia Action Alliance.	JH	Meet monthly to share ideas - receive updates from medical practitioners.