# **Camberley Care Trust**

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# News from the Trustees

## Long serving volunteer Trustee

After almost 11 years of service as a Trustee Pat Parry has decided to stepdown. We are very sad to lose our longest running Trustee, but very pleased that Pat will continue to support us as a Duty Officer.

On behalf of everyone at CCT we'd like to thank Pat for her dedication and commitment over all those years.

# **Congratulations Councillor**

Tim FitzGerald, who joined the CCT Board of Trustees last year has been elected as the Liberal Democrat Councillor for Bagshot in the recent local elections.

Tim will continue to support CCT as a Trustee where he has already used his IT skills and expertise to make significant improvements and additions to our website and to other aspects of our IT issues.

Many congratulations and best wishes to Tim in his new role, where his focus will be on support for the elderly, young and disadvantaged.

## **CCT Developments**

The Trustees continue to work on various projects this year. Reviewing and updating all our policies, and then making them available to all our volunteers via our CCT Website.

We are continuing to do a complete review of our financial and bookkeeping practices, with the aim to make them more efficient and less time-consuming.



Camberley Care by Numbers

Volunteer drivers: 58

**Duty officers: 9** 

**Board of Trustees: 7** 

Number of handymen: 4

Car journeys in 2019: 1596

# Welcome to our Team

We are delighted to welcome five news drivers to the Camberley Care team (ok, one is returning to the fold) and one new duty officer.

## Volunteer drivers:

Simon Dodd

Ruby Ford

Penny Miles

Lee Roberts (returning)

Judy Smith

Steve Worthington

## **Duty officers:**

Sarah Starkey

We are also about to increase publicity – getting the word out to the community about our wonderful volunteer car and handyperson services.

New Handyperson leaflets are done and available from our office team.

Volunteer Car Service leaflets are currently in the process of being produced. When they are printed and ready to distribute, we will let you know.

Any help you can offer in spreading the word will be appreciated as there are many more people out there we could be helping.

# CCT Charity of the year

**Southern Co-operative Funeral Home** in Frimley has chosen Camberley Care Trust as its Charity of the Year for 2019.

Lorraine and Kim from the team joined us at our Trustee meeting in June and we were all very impressed by their energy and enthusiasm.

The team have many plans for community support, social events and fundraising initiatives, and we look forward to working with them.

## Spread the word

As always, we are constantly looking for more Duty Officers and Drivers, so if you know anyone who would be interested please ask them to get in contact with us.

## **Grateful Client Says Thanks**

I really appreciate Camberley Care enabling me to get to Churt and the other classes.

This makes a huge difference to me, helping me to escape the 4 walls I have been stuck in since my illness struck and it helps my mood tremendously.

So please express my thanks and appreciation to the whole team.

You all do a wonderful job!

# Extra Client Care Needed

Summer may be the season for outdoor fun, BBQ's and relaxation.

But, with higher temperatures and stronger sunshine it can also pose some serious health threats if the proper precautionary measures aren't taken.

It's particularly important when it comes to older people, which includes many of our regular clients.

Whenever you are collecting an elderly client in the heat of the summer sun, please be extra vigilant.

Older people are more susceptible to dehydration because they lose their ability to conserve water as they age.

They can also become less aware of their thirst and have difficulty adjusting to temperature changes.

Please keep this in mind during the summer months.

Try to check that your clients are mindful of this and encourage them to drink water frequently during the summer heat.

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#### Helpful Reminder About Helpful Resource

Please remember to use and provide comment on our recently launched resource for volunteer drivers.

By clicking this link <u>information for drivers</u> you will be directed to a dedicated web site containing helpful information about hospital parking, mileage calculators and claiming of expenses.

Any comments and suggestions for additional content would be most welcome.

Please contact our trustee Tim Fitzgerald by using this link info@camberleycare.org.

Tim would love to hear from you.

# A Little Help From Our Friends

Back in February, Camberley Rotary Club held a race night on our behalf and raised a total of £600 to support our work.

A big thank you to everyone who organised and took part in this fun-filled event.

We are also very grateful to Pine Ridge Golf Club for placing Camberley Care donation tins in its bar area.

This resulted in a donation of  $\pounds114.52$  to our charity.

## **Citizens Advice Bureau Moves Home**

You may have noticed that Camberley's Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) has moved out of its former accommodation.

The Cab It is now located in the former Surrey Heath Museum space in Surrey Heath House.

The team can now be found on the first floor, across from the Registrar's office in Surrey Heath House.

#### Meanwhile.....

The Hope Hub, a churchfunded charity supporting those who are at risk of becoming homeless, or are already without a safe place to live, has taken up residence in the former Citizens Advice Bureau office behind Camberley Library.

The Hope Hub team meets each person where they are located.

It identifies their strengths, aims and hopes and seeks to empower them to become the best they can.

We welcome our new neighbour and wish Hope Hub team every success.

#### Mileage Memo:

Please note that all mileage claims can now be paid monthly or bi-monthly, on request.

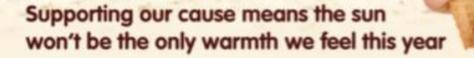
Please let us know your personal preference.

Further information is available from Sue in the Camberley Care office.

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- Help us to make a difference to our community play for just £1 a week
- For every £1 ticket our cause will receive 50p back, a further 10p goes to other great causes in the local area
- We can do so much more with your support
- It's a WIN WIN for us both you also get the chance to win up to £25,000 every week!

For more information about this exciting new fundraising activity please contact Sue in our Camberley Care office.

Good luck!

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