

# Camberley Care Trust CIO

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## October 2020 Newsletter

### Message from the Co-Chairs

"Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness" ?

Well hardly, so far! But let's hope the sunny spells will prevail through the rain!

We're very grateful to our volunteer drivers who have started to get our car service up and running again. We are still only allowed to undertake essential trips (mainly medical related), but at least it's a start. And of course we are also grateful to our handymen, Mark, Graeme and Tony, who continue to do wonderful work for our clients.

Sue and Wendy have organised some very successful duty officer outdoor meet ups, and continue to work tirelessly to keep us all focused and positive. As the colder weather draws in these outdoor gatherings will become more difficult, but the team are determined to get a few more scheduled in before winter really sets in.

Thermals at the ready everyone!

The CCT Board continue to seek ways we can help our community as we all face the winter months of restrictions, as well as exploring opportunities for funding to help mitigate our

losses over the last 7 months. We are extremely grateful to

Waitrose Frimley and Bagshot for their donations, Surrey Heath Prepared for allocating a portion of their excess funds to us, and also to Surrey Heath County Council for awarding us a COVID Grant.

We're really going to miss seeing everyone at our usual Christmas Party but let's be positive and hope we can get together sometime in the New Year!

Meanwhile our message is, as always, stay safe and well.

Your Co-Chairs, Ros and Angela



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**STOP PRESS**—We have just found out we are the Craft Coop's Charity of the Year. This is a shop in The Mall which is full of unique and handcrafted products usually produced by local artists. It is certainly worth a visit for unusual birthday and Christmas presents.



# Office News

Wendy and I are can't believe that we have been working from home for over 6 months! The time seems to be flying by. We do miss being in the office, working with the Duty Officers and chatting to you when you pop in with your envelopes. We really hope that we will be back at our office desks at some point in the future.

We have been busy over the summer, setting up our Community Support Volunteers who have joined us after Surrey Heath Prepared disbanded. This group of volunteers are from around Camberley, and are ready to help out in the community, mainly to do a small shopping trip or pickup prescriptions. Whilst the last couple of months have been quiet, with the COVID cases rising and winter approaching, we may well find more requests coming our way .

It has been lovely to chat to some of our existing drivers who have either expressed an interest to start driving again, or have just called to say hello.

We now have a team of drivers who are taking clients to their medical appointments and they are very happy we are able to help them. The clients have enjoyed chatting to us and finding out how everyone is and always pass on their best to all at Camberley Care. They miss seeing you all.

We also have a group of drivers who are completing shopping from a shopping list for both new and existing clients. This is a great service for them and they appreciate our help.

Our handy men continue to help our clients with their requests including our new gardening service which we launched back in the summer. We are only mowing and doing garden tidies but this has been well received.

Take care

Sue & Wendy

## Coffee Morning Catch Up

Over the last few months the Office Staff and Duty officers have met up for coffee observing whichever rules are in place at the time!

The weather has been reasonably kind to us so far and if the weather stays dry, an October meet up will be on the cards with blankets and a hot water bottle to help keep us warm. It has been lovely to see everyone.



**We have been successful with the green token scheme at Waitrose Bagshot and Frimley. We have been awarded a donation of £333 from each of these shops**



## MINUTES SECRETARY VACANCY

The CCT Board have a vacancy for a Minutes Secretary to help record our meetings - currently held at six-weekly intervals currently by Zoom.

It's an interesting role and we are a friendly bunch - so if you'd like to become a bit more involved in the workings of Camberley Care or know someone who would, please get in touch with Sue or Wendy.

More information can be found on our website along with an application form.

We'd love to hear from you!



# Things to do

If you want to get out and about or are seeing your grandchildren in October half term, here are some ideas of things to do;

## Secretts Pick your own pumpkin

Pick the perfect pumpkin at [Secretts](#) - this award-winning farm shop and seasonal Pick Your Own in Milford, near Godalming, will be hosting a tick-eted Pumpkin Week this year, from Saturday, October 24 to Saturday, October 31. **Due to COVID restrictions, tickets must be purchased in advance.** Select your favourite pumpkin to take home and enjoy a pump-kin themed menu and barbecue.

## The Lightbox Woking

The Lightbox is an award-winning charitable arts and heritage organisa-tion with a social purpose to improve the wellbeing and quality of life of its community. For information on what's on use the following link; [www.thelightbox.org.uk/](http://www.thelightbox.org.uk/)

## Windsor Castle

If you fancy a trip to Windsor, HRH Princess Beatrice of York's wedding dress is on public display at Windsor Castle from 22nd September to 22 November 2020. More information can be found by following this link; <https://www.windsorcastle.co.uk/>

## Art in the garden—Savill Garden

We are very lucky to have the wonderful Windsor great park on our doorstep. At Savill Garden from 23rd September to 3rd November you can explore the colourful gardens and encounter 66 sculptures of varying styles, subjects and materials; all inspired by the natural world. The gar-den works closely with the Surrey Sculpture Society to carefully select pieces that inspire and complement their beautiful surroundings. More information can be found at;

[www.windsorgreatpark.co.uk/en/news-and-events/events/art-in-the-garden](http://www.windsorgreatpark.co.uk/en/news-and-events/events/art-in-the-garden)

## West Green House—the Opera Garden

Spend a couple of hours at West Green House. An 18th-century country house and garden at West Green in Hartley Wintney The house is listed Grade II and has beautiful gardens. There is also a tea shop which is of-fering a limited service at this time. For more information visit; [www.westgreenhouse.co.uk/](http://www.westgreenhouse.co.uk/)

## And if you don't want to leave your home.....

### **Mrs Potts**

If you want to do something crafty from your own home and want to support a local business Mrs Potts now has takeaway items for you to paint at home. All the information you need is at [www.mrspottspace.co.uk/take-away-items](http://www.mrspottspace.co.uk/take-away-items)

### **Online events/ideas**

#### **From the Windsor website**

[www.windsor.gov.uk/whats-on/virtual-events-and-online-classes](http://www.windsor.gov.uk/whats-on/virtual-events-and-online-classes)

#### **Camberley Theatre At Home**

Once you've purchased a ticket you'll be emailed a unique link so you can watch the show from the comfort of your own home; [www.camberleytheatre.co.uk](http://www.camberleytheatre.co.uk)

#### **Royal Academy of Arts**

[www.royalacademy.org.uk/article/9-virtual-exhibition-art-tours-to-watch-online](http://www.royalacademy.org.uk/article/9-virtual-exhibition-art-tours-to-watch-online)

#### **Daily online quiz**

[www.quizoftheday.co.uk](http://www.quizoftheday.co.uk)

#### **The National Gallery**

[www.nationalgallery.org.uk/events/talks-and-conversations](http://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/events/talks-and-conversations)





## Christmas Shopping

If you are planning to do your Christmas shopping online this year why not help Camberley Care as you shop.



Easyfundraising is the UK's biggest charity shopping fundraising site. If you would like to use easyfundraising just use this link;

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/camberleycaretrust/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/camberleycaretrust/)

[smile.amazon.co.uk](http://smile.amazon.co.uk)

If you are an Amazon shopper why not register for Smile.Amazon.co.uk the next time you use Amazon



Why not sign up for the Surrey Heath Lottery. A few of our volunteers have won -including me! The top prize is £25,000 but there are special prizes each month to.

Just sign up at [www.surreyheathlottery.co.uk](http://www.surreyheathlottery.co.uk)

We wish you all a wonderful and safe Autumn and we will be in touch before Christmas!

What do you call a pepper in late autumn?

A little chili!

