Northstowe CDOs Report for February 2023

Northstowe Community Forum 29th March 2023

Northstowe Community Forum will take place on 29th March at Northstowe Secondary College. It will start with a Drop-in session at 6:30pm followed by presentations at 7pm. There will be a diverse range of stakeholders that will provide updates and interesting topics of conversation.

Networkers Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 8th March. Future events will be discussed, such as the King's Coronation. More details and an agenda will be shared nearer the time.

Subject specific Drop-in

The CDOs hosted another drop-in at the Secondary College in February, this time for the Kickstart Fund which supports, not for profit new community groups and activities. There have been a variety of enquiries in the Kickstart Fund, all of which have been responded to.

Defibrillator

The defibrillator has been serviced by a professional contractor at the beginning of February. There is a map and video on Facebook showing where it is located at the side of Pathfinder School. A video has also been shared on Facebook on how to use it.

Warm Hubs

We are continuing to support the Town Council with the Warm Hubs.

Northstowe Allotments

We supported the Northstowe Horticultural Association on their Community Day on 4th February to work on the Community Garden. Six more raised beds were built and around 30 fruit trees were planted.

Language Exchange Café

The language café launched on the 16th February during the Warm Hub. This will continue to run during the warm hub sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays. The project is meant to celebrate the linguistic and multicultural diversity of Northstowe. The residents are also encouraged to bring food relating to their culture to share with others. Everyone is welcome and it offers an ideal opportunity for people with English as a second language to improve their conversational skills.

<u>BPHA</u>

Have started a new drop-in session at Northstowe Secondary College, they will be held every second Wednesday of the month from 11am – 1pm. Residents can discuss concerns around tenancy, rent queries, reporting ASB, fly typing and raising repair issues.