Champion for Older People

Report on Expenditure from
1 April 2015 to March 2016

"To assist the Leader and appropriate Portfolio Holders by advising on serious issues which support and encourage activity, independent and healthy lives for older people and to raise the profile of older people and their needs in the development of policy across Directorates"

The role of Lancashire County Council Champion for Older People provides me with a range of opportunities to work with and understand the needs of what is a significant section of our community.

The role has given me the opportunity to offer a change in emphasis in the way Older People are viewed and more work is needed to promote a more positive Image of Older People. Older people do have a role within our communities, often performing great work without recognition. They are a valuable part of Lancashire’s economy either through their on-going employment, their work as volunteers or as carers within family units.

To this end I have built on my experience of my previous year as Older Peoples Champion and have continued to spend time over the last 12 months meeting with each of the older people’s forums and groups across the county to get a real understanding of the issues. I have attempted to promote a positive image of ageing and also worked with groups and individuals to raise their profiles and I have supported the delivery of a range of activities and events in the communities in which they live.

The Older Peoples Champions budget provides small grants to community groups working for the benefit of older people. The fund provides grants to groups for equipment, speaker's fees, rental for rooms and special activities etc. which contribute to the well-being and health of Older People.

In 2015-16 the fund has supported:
• Venue hire and refreshment costs
• Guest speakers
• Music and PA systems
• IT equipment and Computer drop in sessions
• Theatre trips
• Barge Trip
• Transport and entertainment costs.
• And a range of other activities.

The funds are so important to groups of Older People across the County that need just a little bit of money to make such a major difference to the work that they do and to the lives of the people they work with.
It is vital that Lancashire County Council has a Champion for Older People which not only recognises the contribution that older people make to our communities but also actively supports older people around the county.

I am proud of the work that older people do across the county and proud to be the Lancashire County Councils Older Peoples Champion.

*County Councillor Terry Aldridge*
*Champion for Older People*
## Schedule of Expenditure for 2015/16

### County Councillor Terry Aldridge - Champion for Older People

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<tr>
<th>Applicant</th>
<th>Amount of Grant</th>
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<td>Great Eccleston Over 60's Group (Wyre) – venue hire costs</td>
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<td>Oswaldtwistle Luncheon Club (Hyndburn) – venue and refreshment costs</td>
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<td>Thanet Residents Association (West Lancashire) new music system</td>
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<td>West Lancs Pensioners Association (West Lancashire) – venue and admin costs</td>
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<td>Parkinsons UK (Chorley and South Ribble) – guest speakers and transport</td>
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<td>The Dream Team Singers (Wyre) – laser printer and IT equipment</td>
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<td>Friends in Bereavement (Burnley) – room rental, refreshments and speaker costs</td>
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<td>Farington Senior Citizens Social and Welfare Group (South Ribble) summer outing</td>
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<td>The Twirleys Over 50's Group (West Lancashire) – printing and running costs</td>
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<td>Ormskirk Historical Society (West Lancashire) – printing and projector costs</td>
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<td>Welbourne and Peacehaven Residents Group (West Lancashire) – Theatre trip</td>
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<td>Layzee Dayzee Friendship Club (South Ribble) – transport and luncheon clubs</td>
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<td>Preston and District Model Railway Society – new projector</td>
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<td>Older People’s Champion Network (Age Consulting) – annual subscriptions, meeting refreshment costs</td>
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**TOTAL SPENT** £9,682