

Council – 14 July 2014

Motions

The following motion has been submitted in accordance with the notice required by Standing Order 7(1).

1. BECOMING A 'DEMENTIA FRIENDLY' COUNCIL

Proposed by Councillor Tom Anderson

Seconded by Councillor Tracey Smith

Council:

1. Recognises that dementia is becoming a serious issue in society and is alarmed that one in three people over 65 will be diagnosed with dementia.
2. Applauds the great work that the Alzheimer's Society is doing in aiming to get 1 million people trained as a 'Dementia Friend' by the end of the year.
3. Notes Dementia Friends is a national programme that takes a maximum of 1 hour educating people on dementia and its effects.

Council believes that this is a worthy programme and the Council can play its part.

Therefore Council requests the Chief Executive to:

- a. Encourage Council staff to become Dementia Friends (and to undertake relevant training as soon as practicably possible).
- b. Write to the Alzheimer's Society requesting advice on how best to assist them in rolling out training across Wirral.
- c. Allow for Council property, where suitable, feasible and within reason, to be used free of charge by those delivering Dementia Friends Training.
- d. Encourage all Elected Members to become a 'Dementia Friend'.
- e. Invite key Council staff members to become 'Dementia Friend Champions' thereby enabling the roll out of Dementia Friends Training referred to.