



# Four Towns Winter Newsletter



## 2019



In this issue you will find up to date news on what's been happening within the charity, over the last few months. There is very exciting news regarding our mini-bus launch; Charity runs/raising money and events/trips. Read on to find out more.



### Flexible Transport in your Community

In October this year, when we were handed the keys to a new Renault Traffic mini-bus. This new bus is part funded by the European Agriculture Fund for Rural Development.

### Meet WONKY! Our new bus

The plan is for it to be used on a new bus service called the Rural to City Link (R2C). This will run in various rurally isolated areas such as Charfield, Cromhall, Falfield, Hill, Oldbury On Severn, Rockhampton, Tortworth and Tytherington. The whole idea behind the service is to support members of the community gain easy access in and out of the City. Enabling people to attend their medical appointments, social events and shopping trips further afield.



Photo: Left, Nigel Davis CEO being handed the keys of the New Renault traffic.

We will be visiting many of the local villages in the above areas with the opportunity of meeting many of you in the local community and given you all the chance to hop aboard and take a look at the new bus we have named WONKY, before Christmas and a planned launch in early 2020.

We look forward to meeting many of you soon. Further information on this new Rural to City Link will be advertised on our website soon as well as you being able to visit your local Parish and Town Council for further information.

### It is part funded by the European Agriculture Fund for Rural Development.



Photos: New Renault Master mini-bus



The European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development: Europe investing in rural areas



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## Updating our fleet

It was time to say goodbye to Honey, one of our older vehicles and replace it with a newer Ford Transit accessible mini-bus with 10 seats. The staff have now named the bus Charity.

## Winter Specials

We have had some great feedback from members who travelled on the special's trips. So we have decided to continue with them through the Winter. We hope you all enjoy the various different Winter trips we have planned. Members have booked trips to Christmas markets, Christmas pantos and a special nativity performance from St Helens C of E Primary School. Please see details on our specials trip list or call the office for details. You will also be able to find the information regarding these trips on our website.



## A massive Thank You

We raised an amazing £233.01 at our Macmillan Morning back in September this year. We would like to thank you all for attending and for your continuous support.



**Send us your comments!**

We love to hear your thoughts and ideas. You can email us at [info@4tv.org.uk](mailto:info@4tv.org.uk)

## Introduce a friend Next Spring

By introducing a friend \* to Four Towns you will be entered into our prize draw, with a chance of winning a free trip with the charity.

For every friend you introduce you will have another chance to be entered into the draw.

The more people that use us will help underpin our work and safeguard our services for the future.

\*(Who joins as a member of 4TVLCT during Spring 2020).



## Congratulations

Congratulations to both Liz Webb and Daryl Holpin for passing their PSV driving test.



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## Christmas Celebrations

We look forward to celebrating Christmas again with you all this year, when we will be holding our Four Towns Christmas Celebrations on Wednesday 18th December.

This year we hope to put on a Christmas buffet with sherry and mince pies for you all, as well as having plenty of entertainment for you all to enjoy.

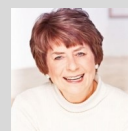
Entertainment Line up:

Kens Uke's –Ukulele Band

Frampton C of E School Choir,

Jill Simms-Tribute to Pam Ayre's. (Donations made from Jill's performance will go towards helping The Air Ambulance.)

We look forward to seeing many of you here for another great Christmas Celebration .



## Vital Volunteers

Our grateful thanks goes out to all our volunteers and all your continuous support. We also would like to welcome all our new volunteers who have recently joined the charity.



## Do you have time to spare?

We are currently seeking volunteer drivers for evenings and weekends to assist members who are visiting relatives in Hospital/have a hospital appointment.

For further information on volunteering please call our friendly team in the office on 01454 250 500/510

## Local Parish and Town councils

We continue to apply for funding through our local Parish and Town Councils. We have recently received some good news with £500 be funded to us from Winterbourne Parish Town Council. We will also be receiving £300 funding from Almondsbury Parish Council. All money receive will go towards money for a more eco-friendly, more fuel efficient bus in the future.

Thank you to all the local Parish and Town Councils, who continue to support the Charity.

## GO JOY

Joy Oxenham (Transport Manager) has decided to help raise money for Cancer research by taking part in the Bath half marathon, in March next year.

Your support would be much appreciated in helping raise money for such a good cause. All donations can be sent into the office in a sealed envelope.

From everyone here at Four Towns, we wish Joy the best of luck, and thank you.



## Local Funding for Social events in 2020

We are please to confirm that we have secured funding for future social events, held at Crossbow.

We would like to thank the Co-op (Winterbourne) who has funded us through their Co-op Group's Local Community Fund. Money still continues to be raised through this fund and will be closing soon. You can keep a check on how much we have raised by visit our website [www.4tvl.org.uk](http://www.4tvl.org.uk), click on the sub heading, funding page and then click on the co-op link.

As many of you are aware there has been a huge decrease in the amount of lunch clubs being run in the Community. This funding will allow us to continue to run regular events and our idea is for it to become a monthly lunch club for you all, if you agree? Please let us know your thoughts.

Co-op Group's Local Community Fund



## FLU CLINICS

John Vickery (a volunteer trustee/car driver) attended a flu clinic at Almondsbury GP surgery recently and he said how lovely it was to see so many of you. Please remember we are here to help get you to your medical appointments.

