

Abberdale House

Promoting person centred care and Independent lifestyle choices

NEWSLETTER SUMMER EDITION

This is our 2013 newsletter summer edition and we will publish a new edition for winter and summer to share experiences and any upcoming news.

Our newsletter will provide information on what is planned for the next 6 months, what has already been achieved and other information, such as the outcomes on questionnaires, resident's meetings etc.

In order to provide an excellent service to residents in our homes we believe it is essential that we are both professional in our management and compassionate in our care.

Just to tell you a little bit about us. We enjoy providing loving personal care with dignity, independence and choice in safe and homely surroundings with people, who ensure the quality of their stay,

We have genuine and strong commitment by our qualified and dedicated carers that make our residents feel at home and maintain quality lifestyle. Our commitment to provide loving personal care to our residents enables us to maintain a very high level of standard in care.

We are registered on carehome.co.uk, where residents or relatives can complete a recommendation card about the home. This can be completed online or via a pre-posted recommendation card available from Abberdale House.

Check out our listing and our recommendations on
<http://www.carehome.co.uk/carehome.cfm/searchazref/10003012AUTA>

You can also like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/abberdalehouse>
And follow us on twitter at www.twitter.com/Abberdalehouse for up to date news.

March 2013

Our home was refurbished promoting person centred care and a dementia friendly environment. Each service user now has their own personal coloured door with their own number and door knocker. Each service user was asked if

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what colour door they would like and if they were not able to decide, their family members were asked. All corridors have been decorated, including removing old wallpaper, plastering, and new flooring has been laid.

The reception and the communal areas have been decorated with a London style theme, which has been emphasised throughout the whole home. All corridors have been named after a street in London and have a traditional street sign has been put up.

June 2013

June was a busy month as we arranged an outing trip to Twycross Zoo. Part of the trip to Twycross Zoo was funded from our residents comfort fund and Abberdale House do arrange open days and other fund raising activities to raise funds to take our residents on these exciting days out.

Also in June, we registered for the national care open day, where homes in the country where able to open their doors to the public for people to come and see a day in the life of Abberdale House. SG productions performed a medley of summer songs taking the residents all around the world. The residents enjoyed singing along and taking part in playing bingo, yoga and a pamper session.

August 2013

In August, we held our annual summer party and BBQ, again raising money for our residents comfort fund. This was a great event where we had a great turnout! We cooked burgers, hotdogs and held many stalls including a raffle, cake stall, games and tombola. The party was a great success and the residents and our visitors enjoyed it greatly.

September 2013

We are now taking residents, where possible, every week to local places like Fosse Park, Beaumont Leys, the local park and into the city centre or any nearby local attraction This has proved to be very enjoyable and the residents have something to look forward to.

On the theme of going out staff have decided they would like to take part in fundraising to purchase a mini bus for Abberdale House. Staff have put together a think tank for ideas to raise money and we appreciate any further

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Promoting person centred care and Independent lifestyle choices suggestions you may have or if you would like to get involved. We will keep you updated with any progress or information regarding this event.

December 2013

Our Christmas party is arranged for the 7th December 2013 at 3pm onwards. We are hoping it will be as successful as always with lots of fun activities planned for the residents such as raffles, entertainment and of course a visit from Santa. We also hope to have a sing-along with Chris Matthewman. If you wish to donate any raffle prizes toward the party that will be greatly appreciated.

Plans have now been approved for the conservatory to be built onto the back of the dining room leading out into the garden. We are now in the process of looking out for contractors to carry out the work. Staff feel that the conservatory is a much needed area enabling residents to have more natural light and space for quality time with their family and visitors. We also feel that the conservatory will make the redecorating of the home feel fully complete. It will also give the garden a lift when it's done and raised flower beds will be put in. Planning has also been approved for the ramp to be built at the front of the home. The plans include a few steps and a ramp for wheelchairs and stretcher access ensuring it is easier for people to gain access to the home. This will transform this area and bring the home up to date.

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