

ENFIELD BOROUGH OVER 50s FORUM

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR APRIL 2006 – MARCH 2007

To be presented at the Annual General Meeting 24 April 2007

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2006-2007 Annual Report

Chair's Report

The past year has been the most remarkable since the Forum started in 1993. Now that we are well and truly over the 1000 members landmark, this is a good time to reflect on the 13 years since the Forum was formed and also to look forward in considering where we go from here.

From the beginnings in 1993

It was on 21 June 1994 that the newly formed Enfield Borough Forum for Older People held a conference under the title: **Have Your Say**. It was attended by 80 people and was opened by the then Mayor of Enfield, Cllr Rita Smythe, and the members of the conference organising committee included Audrey Hardwick and Irene Richards.

Rita, Audrey and Irene are I'm delighted to say still members of the Forum and often attend our monthly meetings and our other events. Their 1994 conference discussed many of the things we are still battling for today - better access to public toilets by opening those in pubs and restaurants to the public; better access to libraries for disabled people; better chiropody services; and more consultation with older people. Unfortunately, these are just a few of the issues still on our agenda.

Certainly, we are still campaigning to **Have Our Say** on these matters and I suspect that this will always be the case. But it would, in my view, be wrong and defeatist to concentrate on the negative and ignore the positive advances we have made in our relations with the local authority and its officers, with the Primary Care Trust and the leisure centres management. True, we don't always get what we want straight away, but I believe we are listened to and the Forum is now more influential than ever before.

Successful formula

If the growth in our membership and the response we get to the events we organise is a measure of our success, then we clearly have established the right formula for a successful Forum. In the year 2000 when I succeeded Audrey Hardwick as your Chairman, we had 70 individual members. We listened to members who wanted us to change our name from a forum for older people to an Over 50s Forum because they did not like being typeset as "oldies" and wanted to engage with younger people not yet retired. Then, we broadened our vision, so instead of just having a reputation for moaning and complaining, we organised numerous events all designed to make life better:

Taster days at the leisure centres to encourage more older people to use the facilities under our "get fit for a longer life" banner

Falls prevention and healthy living days - to encourage people to take preventative measures against accidents and falls at home, as well as helping them to eat the right foods

Flu vaccination days for the over 65s to help the Primary Care Trust reach a record 72% of its target audience

Social events ranging from very successful coach trips to the innovation of organised Freedom Pass days, encouraging people to visit places in a group which they would never undertake as individuals. The scope of our activities is well advertised in the pages of our bimonthly Newsletter.

And we try to have interesting speakers at our monthly meetings and, most important of all, we decided to work in partnership with the Council and all the other statutory and voluntary organisations in the Borough, in the belief that we can achieve more by being involved with them than being outside the loop throwing stones. That does not mean that we tamely acquiesce and meekly lie down to everything these outside bodies say and want.

Future direction

We honestly believe that we can campaign more effectively for what is right if we work together as a community to make steady progress in improving the lives of older people. Our Forum has reached a point where it is right to take stock of the direction we are taking; to decide if we have the balance right between campaigning on various social issues and organising different events that aim to bring people out of their homes and end any self-imposed isolation.

The year ahead is going to be crucial in determining whether we need to reassess our priorities because we will then know whether the important OPTAG - the Older People's Thematic Action Group - of which our Forum secretary Tony Watts is the joint chairman - is going to be effective or just be a talking shop. OPTAG is a child of the Enfield Strategic Partnership which in turn represents the local authority and all the other statutory and voluntary bodies in the Borough.

We want to see them take on board ideas that can transform the lives of those who need the most help in our community. There was, for example, the suggestion made at the October 2006 successful launch

conference of the older people's strategy to organise a "speak to an older neighbour" campaign which could be enlarged into a "Shop4 an older neighbour" support group. Could our Forum spearhead a support group to do the shopping for an older neighbour and so help prevent the isolation of people who go for days without speaking or seeing a soul. Just imagine how depressing that must be.

And with over one thousand members we ought to be able to find 10 or 20 people who would give some time to a mentoring programme - helping younger people in many and varied ways to cope better with the stresses and strains of modern life. I'd like to think that as parents and grandparents we have something to offer, something positive to the 25,000 teenagers in the Borough, rather than just see the dark side of the alleged anti-social behaviour of a small minority.

These are just some of my thoughts about the future. And just as at that 1994 conference the present Forum committee desperately wants you to *Have Your Say*. But to do that you need to come on board, to give us some of your time and not leave everything to the few. Your chance to stop sitting on the sidelines comes at each AGM. But you can volunteer at any time to help or join the committee. Tell us your skills and your interests and we'll do the rest. We can guarantee one thing. This is not a closed shop!

This year's achievements

In reviewing the past year we would include among the many highlights:

Record individual membership reaching a peak 1290 in March 2007 compared with 778 at the same time in 2006

Steady growth in the number of organisations of older people affiliating to the Forum - as at this April 2007 AGM the number stands at 44

Campaigning on many issues ranging from inadequate toilet facilities in the Borough to getting longer opening hours at GP surgeries, from opposing the meagre 25p age addition to the state retirement pension at age 80 to seeking the reinstatement of concessionary fees for over 60s lifelong learning leisure courses at local colleges

Launching with Enfield Strategic Partnership and Enfield Council the first strategic plan for older people in the Borough

Increased physical activity by older people using special discounts negotiated by the Forum with the Borough's leisure centres.

Helping to save the Southgate Symphony Orchestra - which includes many over 50s - from extinction when Southgate College introduced penal tuition fees

That all this and very much more was achieved is a tribute to the Forum's officers and committee listed on the front of this annual report - and to those Forum members outside the Committee who play a leading role on various Council and Primary Care Trust committees aiming to improve services for older people.

Past performance

This annual report and the Forum's performance in the past year should be judged against our own objectives for the Forum which are to:

Make life better for older people in Enfield

Ensure we are a party to all decisions involving older people

Provide accurate information of interest to older people

Have informative speakers at our monthly meetings

Organise events and opportunities for members to socialise

Campaign against discrimination and injustices

Influence national and local government on matters affecting older people such as pensions, council tax, health, crime, leisure etc, etc.

Work in partnership with local, regional and national organisations in support of the above objectives.

So how have we measured up to the above formidable list of objectives taking into account that we are all volunteers, save for one part-time lottery-funded development officer? It should be recorded at the outset that without this funding, and without the vast amount of work put in by Olivia Goodfellow - which far exceeds her paid duties - the Forum would be nothing like as strong as it is today.

With our 3-year lottery funding coming to an end in the next month, the Committee has endeavoured to build up sufficient reserve funds to guarantee Olivia's retention for the coming year. The new committee must exercise the utmost priority in ensuring alternative sources of permanent funding so that her post is secured for many years to come. Everyone reading this report of the past year's work must recognise that an integral part of any success we have had is due to our having paid assistance - and with the growth in our membership that assistance is needed more than ever.

We particularly need to address this issue to all the local statutory organisations that have relied on the Forum to support their endeavours. They must recognise that they have some responsibility for maintaining the Forum as a flourishing organisation and as a "critical friend" in the years to come.

Members and Meetings

The past year has seen record attendances at meetings on a variety of subjects with guest speakers including the Borough police commander Sharon Rowe, Council leader Michael Rye, Averil Dongworth on the challenges facing her as chief executive of Chase Farm Hospital. We've debated the Council's budget and its impact on council tax; had speakers on the Fairtrade project which aims to improve the incomes of producers in Third World countries and from the Royal British Legion on their vital welfare work for ex-service men and women.

We had speakers on local history and broke new ground with talks on healthy foods (with samples) by Waitrose and we've brought together eye specialists from Moorfields Hospital with the hearing specialist from Chase Farm to talk about our eyes and ears. Your Committee has tried to find speakers on topics that warrant you leaving home and coming to meetings, enabling you to be better informed than people who are not members of the Forum - and we are always open to suggestions..

The largest meeting of older people in the year was for the October 2006 launch of the Borough's new strategic plan for older people attended by some 200 representatives of organisations and individuals. The day-long conference was chaired by the Forum's chairman and the Forum arranged the keynote speaker, ***Professor Alan Walker***, who leads the New Dynamics in Ageing research programme - the most ambitious of its kind in Europe. As a result of the conference we now have for the first time a Council appointed lead officer (part-time) on older people and we continue to closely monitor developments in this area to ensure that the strategic plan leads to positive developments.

Early in 2007 we started to have additional meetings on the second Tuesday of the month on topics that will give members a better chance to "***Have their Say***". About 30 people have attended each of the first two meetings, the first one on lifelong learning and the second on making the most of leisure facilities in the Borough. These meetings will continue in the coming year and will be financed by donations received from ***Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George and St Monica's Church, Palmers Green.***

Our membership inevitably fluctuates during any year, but at its peak it grew from 220 individual members in 2004 to 778 members in 2005. At 31 March 2006 we had a record 546 members who had already renewed their membership until March 31 2007. By March 31 2007 we had already received renewal fees until 2008 from 966 members.

Our list of organisations of older people in the Borough now affiliated to the Forum is 44. (A full

list is given in ***Appendix I*** to this report). These organisations combined have a membership running into many thousands including, for example, ***Heart Throbs***, a cardiac special interest group with 400 members, the 1000 strong ***Cypriot Association***, 290 members of the ***Assoc. of Jewish Ex-Servicemen and Women*** and the 700-strong ***Unison Retired Members***. Together we can claim that with our affiliates the Forum is the most representative voice of older people in the Borough.

Our members are to be found serving the Forum in many ways.

Jean Calvert, for example, is a prominent member of the special Health Scrutiny Panel team which has been looking at stroke services at Chase Farm Hospital and trying to bring them up to the national standard. Jean is also a member of the PCT's single assessment working group; ***Des Hegarty*** is a member of the PCT's coronary and heart disease local implementation group; ***Peter Smith*** is a member of the Police Incidents Advisory Group and through the Forum became a representative of the Strategic Partnership's Safer and Stronger Communities Thematic Action Group; Forum secretary ***Tony Watts*** is a Board member of the Enfield Strategic Partnership, a trustee of Age Concern Enfield and co-chairs the new and important Thematic Action Group on Older People which is charged with implementing the new strategic plan; ***Brian Wright*** has represented the Forum most vigorously on the fairer homecare charging working party; ***Carmel Wright*** now represents the Forum and voluntary sector on the Health and Social Care Board Older Peoples' group; ***Monty Meth*** is a member of the Police and Community management board and the new PCT patient reference group; ***Don Smith, Liz Henthorn and Myra Godsmark*** are among Forum members attending and keeping watch at many scrutiny panel meetings and attending transport consultative group meetings.

Forum vice-chairman ***Roy Barrows*** represented older people on the board of Enfield Leisure Centres Trust until it went into enforced voluntary liquidation. We also attend meetings of the Greater London Forum and the London Older People's Strategy Group which all helps us to know what is going on in other Boroughs and nationally regarding older people and we continue to be affiliated to the National Pensioners Convention and its Greater London Region.

The more widely known the Form becomes, the greater demand there is for us to participate in partnership working with other organisations. So we sorely need more people to come forward to represent the Forum in whatever way they can. Every extra pair of hands would enable us to do so much more.

New Structure

The Forum's growth and its range of new activities means that the demands which are put upon its officers requires some new thinking about the way we work and operate. With a membership of well over 1000 the administrative demands and the servicing of those members requires additional resources. Ideally, to be a more efficient organisation we need a part-time administrative secretary and an assistant to the treasurer.

In addition, there is now more academic research than ever concerning older people, more conferences and seminars, more papers and meetings to read and attend. And if we are serious about representing older people we have to be on top of these matters so that we can discuss them with all those in authority be it the local council members and officers, MPs, police, health officials etc.

So we not only need more people to play an active role, we need to be better informed and organised to spread the load. That is why at this AGM we are proposing the election of a second vice-chair to help assume responsibility for the Forum's strategy and direction. The next committee will have to give consideration to the appointment of a co-ordinator that will work closely with our affiliated organisations to see how we can best represent them.

During the year we were fortunate to be offered office space for a modest rent at Salisbury House, Bury Street West. Salisbury House is leased by the Council to Edmonton Artzone and the Forum looks forward to using it as a base for its administrative activities and working closely with Artzone. The Council's IT supplier generously provided the Forum with a new suite of computer equipment and software. This new base was fitted out thanks to the efforts Tony Watts and Peter Smith. It would be nice if someday the Forum could support its own social and activities centre for older people in the Borough, similar to the Ruth Winston Centre in Palmers Green.

Newsletter

Undoubtedly, a key weapon in maintaining and expanding our membership and influence is through our Newsletter, which came out on time every two months last year. We are now circulating about 5000 copies of each issue to members, our affiliated clubs, the 14 libraries and more than 60 surgeries and we have established some new outlets for the Newsletter in supermarkets and the leisure centres.

We now have a team that helps to stuff and post the Newsletters and we are most grateful to Peter Smith who has taken over the collection and delivery of our bulk orders to many outlets. In the last year we were successful in winning the sponsorship of Warburtons,

the Brimsdown-based major bakery company to pay for the printing and distribution of one issue and we had the part-sponsorship of Enfield Council and the Enfield Strategic Partnership for other issues. In the coming year we ought to make a bigger effort to find sponsors for the Newsletter which costs some £750 per issue to print and distribute.

With the increased cost of postage, we will be asking the 2007 AGM to approve an increase in subscription fees to £5 for individuals, £7.50 for couples and £12.50 for organisations.

Campaigns

Despite the campaign around the Forum's questionnaire being completed by more than 600 people on the lack of public toilets in the Borough, we have only been able to record some partial progress in the year. True, we have seen the refurbishment of many toilets in the Borough's parks and our agitation in exposing the failure to provide toilet facilities at the new 24x7 and 26 stand bus station at Edmonton by the Council, developers St Modwen and Transport for London did ultimately lead to the opening of a toilet in the nearby shopping precinct which is now open seven days a week from 7am to midnight.

But it required the further intervention of the Forum to get some signage agreed directing people from the bus station to the toilet. The fact that this bus station is estimated to serve 5 million people a year and was going to open without any toilet facilities is a sorry reflection of the lack of community leadership we too often encounter.

Our proposal, for example, of a Council-supervised community toilet scheme with grants to outlets who allow the public to use their toilets without first making a purchase, has spent the best part of the last year being kicked around in the long grass. We invited the Enfield Business and Retailers Association to endorse the scheme but the inertia shown by them and the Council to an eminently practical proposal is to say the least most depressing. It leads many volunteers to wonder whether it is worth their while spending time and energy trying to improve social amenities in the Borough when so many others with influence and authority are so obviously disinterested.

The Forum committee will have to ensure that this issue remains on the public agenda along with the need to improve the scandalous toilet and cafe amenities at Whitewebbs. Once again we have been fobbed off for years with talk of business plans that never seem to get off the ground although one of our targets - seeing that the automatic public convenience in Turkey Street is up and running - now at last looks to be in sight.

We campaigned without success for a change to the 25p Age Addition paid at age 80 which has remained unaltered since 1971. We failed to move the Chancellor and neither the Conservative Party nor the Liberal Democrats would commit themselves to any change. We participated fully in the Council's budget consultation process, campaigning against the increased charges for homecare and home meals services. We would like to see more information on the Council's asset sales plan and we are not happy that the money raised on the sale of toilets at Lancaster Road and Sterling Way was not ring-fenced for toilets elsewhere.

Our "**Get Fit for a Longer Life**" campaign took many different routes last year. We continued in our endeavours to get more older people to participate in physical activity as a means of preventing or delaying the onset of many illnesses associated with the ageing process. **The Over 50s fitness day at Southbury Leisure Centre on Wednesdays** is not only more firmly established than ever, but classes have had to start earlier to accommodate all-comers. We are still awaiting the opening of the new Edmonton Green leisure centre and as soon as it opens will be co-operating with the management in hopefully setting up another equally successful over 50s day.

Arising out of the regular Over 50s fitness Wednesdays at Southbury Leisure Centre, **C G Oliver** launched an evening badminton and table tennis 'club' for Forum members at the Aspire Leisure Centre at Edmonton Lower School and this has been held regularly on Thursday evenings.

Although there is still uncertainty about the long-term management of the leisure centres, the Forum negotiated a useful discount arrangement for those able to take on a monthly direct debit or pay an up front £280 for 12 months extensive use of all facilities, but we failed to move them on a similar discount scheme for people on low fixed incomes or with disabilities who are unable to commit themselves to a direct debit scheme.

Every Forum member using the leisure centres did however receive free swim vouchers worth £34 in addition to paying only £5 instead of £10 for the concession card, so we secured a pretty good deal. Unfortunately, it did not embrace everyone irrespective of his or her financial status. We find this discrimination based solely on financial status to be totally and socially unacceptable and will endeavour to do better when the liquidators are off the scene.

We have been involved in the long drawn out debate on the future configuration of the three hospitals in the area, Barnet, Chase Farm and North Midd. convened by the PCT and the Council's health scrutiny panel. Once the final consultation proposals are published we intend to hold a special Forum meeting. We now understand this will be published some

time in May and will last for four months. Meanwhile, the Forum has endeavoured to focus on the inadequate primary care service offered by many GP surgeries in the Borough which ought to be the prerequisite for any changes in hospital services. We have also pressed for some three years for better bus services to Barnet Hospital and for more information on the impact any proposed changes would have. The Forum welcomes the PCT's endorsement for the campaign to improve GP services because these surgeries are overwhelmingly the first port of call for older people.

Our campaign for the restoration of concessionary fees to people aged 60 and over who want to attend part-time recreational course subjects at local colleges was stimulated by members faced with exorbitant increases in fees last Autumn. The Forum has now established that there is a wide discrepancy between the grants paid by the Learning and Skills Council to Enfield Council compared with grants to councils in Haringey and Waltham Forest which enables them to retain the concessions for over 60s.

We are now using the Freedom of Information Act to ask the L&SC to disclose how, when and why the decision was taken to fund Enfield Council at such a low level and what their response has been to any representations seeking to redress the balance.

We continue our campaign to encourage the maximum number of pensioners to apply for the pensions and savings credits and the council tax rebates they are entitled to. Our joint partnership with **Enfield Citizens Advice Bureau** in providing a dedicated part-time worker to seek out people entitled to the pension credit had a shaky start to the year, but the appointment of a new project leader will hopefully start to show some positive results.

We continue at every opportunity to see that as many older people as possible have personal alarms supplied by the police, smoke alarms fitted in their own homes by the fire service, to distribute low energy light bulbs and together with **EAGA partnership** we endeavour to see that as many people as possible know about the warm front insulation and energy saving schemes.

Social Activities

Our strategy of combining meetings and campaigns with some social activities giving people the opportunity to form new friendships was further progressed during the year with some very successful events.

Our Christmas social event in 2006 was a sell-out with some enjoyable entertainment and at the turn of the year we held a most successful wine and cheese evening, hosted by Waitrose of Palace Gardens to mark the recruitment of our 1000th member - **Norman Adams, Edmonton secretary of Arthritis Care**. The event was notable for having

Jack Jones, founder of the National Pensioners Convention as our guest of honour on the eve of his **94th birthday**. Many people have suggested that this should be an annual post-Christmas event.

Last year we had enjoyable coach trips on two consecutive weeks to **Aldeburgh** and an adventurous 4-day holiday visiting the Christmas markets in the **Rhine Valley** as well as a "mystery tour" that turned out to be the **historic Chatham dockyard**. Again, these were so successful that another Christmas markets visit is planned to **Aachen in Germany in 2007** and another "mystery tour", along with nearly 100 people going to **Edinburgh for the annual military tattoo in August**.

At the end of March 2007 we were able to take a special group of elders on a day trip to **Leeds Castle**; using the monies donated in memory of Forum member Tony Kinsler, which his wife Hazel had asked to go to the Forum. We decided to use it in a tangible form, rather than absorb it our general administration costs.

The Monday evening weekly walks in Grovelands Park led by the Forum's development officer **Olivia Goodfellow**, became a **Saturday morning walk** during the late autumn and winter. Forum members participated in walks in other parks in the Borough. In August we held a successful summer's evening barbecue at the Bush Hill golf club

Edmonton Forum

While this offshoot Forum met regularly throughout the year and the Forum owes thanks to **Geoff Robinson** for chairing and supporting **Olivia** at the embryonic meetings. We envisage big possibilities for its development in the coming year. The catchment area for older people eligible to join the Form is more concentrated here than anywhere else in the Borough and we should capitalise on the fact that there are now two new primary care centres around Edmonton Green, a new leisure centre and the popular Artszone in the shopping mall.

and Getting more people to attend the Edmonton Forum and taking up issues that particularly affect that part of the Borough represents a double challenge to the Forum which if successfully managed could spearhead a major leap in our membership. The Forum committee should seek special funding for the Forum's expansion in Edmonton since it is important that older people in the area get their share of neighbourhood renewal and other funding sources.

Support

The Forum is most grateful for the support it has received from the local Council which continues to provide us with accommodation for meetings without charge. We also received £300 from the Parish

Committee at **our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George** and £100 from the **knights of St Columba at St Monica's Church**, Palmers Green. This £400 will be used to pay for the expansion of the Forum's meetings in Skinners Court. Apart from the lottery funding, we were most grateful for a donation of £2000 from **Help the Aged** and £169 from the **Council's small clubs grant**. We received £425 from the **Old Enfield Charitable Trust**. Our thanks should also be recorded to **Waitrose Ltd** who on two occasions provided a selection of their wines and cheeses; to **Marks and Spencer**, and many other local businesses that have supported the Forum with raffle prizes.

We continued to reap the benefit of our link with **Warburton's** bakery and many members and the public continued to taste their products at our healthy living and flu vaccination meetings across the Borough. We hope that Warburton's products will continue to be sampled in 2007/8 and we will be urging Forum members to support the bakery that supports us.

Finance

The finances of the Forum are sound and the management of our accounts by our Treasurer, **Prabodh Shukla**, is to be applauded. The success of the Forum in recruiting new members, holding more trips, meetings and social events has put a considerably increased load on the treasurer as can be seen from significantly higher income and expenditure for our unrestricted account as presented in Appendix II of this annual report. . Underpinning this is the additional effort and activities generated by the management committee and our development officer. Trips and holidays are run at cost and resulted in almost £20K moving in and out of our bank account. More members joining has seen subscription income increase by 40% while grant income to the Forum has doubled. In all we now have a useful cushion while looking for alternative funding as our Big Lottery Award comes to an end.

The money from the Lottery is a restricted fund and can only be used for the purposes for which the grant was made - hence the reporting of this fund is separated in our accounts. As can be seen expenditure for the restricted fund has slightly exceeded income mainly because increased Forum activity has meant we spent more on printing, stationery and postage than had been envisaged when preparing the original project budgets. When the funding ends in June 2007 and assuming our final report is accepted we can expect a final payment of some £4.5K for the remaining three months activity.

Our new office in Salisbury House cost £317 to equip with new furniture. In addition we received computer equipment in kind from the Councils' main

IT supplier which was in excess of £1500 in value and includes a desktop computer, a laptop, a screen and projector and all of the software necessary for our administrative work. Our thanks go to the Council and its IT supplier for this generous support.

Development Plan 2007-8

Having achieved the key objective in our first development plan - that of securing a grant to employ a part-time development officer for the Forum - our second development plan still needs to be implemented, but we are now well on the way to becoming a registered charity.

Thanks to the help of outside legal advice from **Christalla Andrews**, the Manager, Commercial Team of **Lloyd's Legal & Compliance**, we now have a new constitution which will be submitted to the 2007 Forum AGM and then to the Charity Commissioners as part of our application for charitable status which may help us in securing further funding.

Conclusion

Our Forum is one of over 300 similar organisations throughout the country working for a better future for older people. We can try and exert some collective pressure on central government, but our main influence should be felt at local level if our voices are strong enough to be heard and we should be judged by how far we are able to get things done.

With that in mind, we still envisage the Forum becoming the link between the many organisations of older people in the Borough, ideally working together in a new community-based partnership where people can voice their concerns and have them resolved quickly and efficiently without the run-around that is still too often the case at present.

Too much lip service is still paid to the concept of consultations, but we remain hopeful that the new strategic plan will deliver results in the interests of all older people in the Borough.

Monty Meth

Chairman, April 2007

APPENDIX I

Forum Affiliated Organisations

Age Concern Enfield

Association of Jewish Ex-servicemen

Arnos Grove Townswomen's Guild

Arthritis Care Edmonton

Enfield Bangladeshi Welfare Association

Borough of Enfield Voluntary Assoc for the Disabled

Bramley House Residents Social Club

Bush Hill Park Residents Association

Cedars Court Resident Association

Church Street Residents Association

Community Aid Asian Project

Cypriot Elderly Disabled Group Enfield

Cypriot Elderly Luncheon Club

Elsinge Monday Club

Enfield Bowling Club - Town Park

Enfield Cypriots Association

Enfield Pensioners Action Group

Enfield & Southgate Workers Educational Association

Enfield Unison Retired

Enfield Vision

First Tuesdays Ladies Group

Heart Throbs

Home and Fellowship Club

Housing 21

Leigh Hunt Drive Neighbourhood Watch

Little Park Luncheon Club

Macular Disease Society, Enfield Group

Meet a Need with Christian Care

Naree Shakti (Women's Strength)

Over 50 Bangladeshi Society

Polish Community in Enfield

Reunite Edmonton project

Salvation Army Sunshine Club

Silver Threads Club

St Johns Art Group

St Thomas (Oakwood) Golden Link Club

Stroke Action

Southgate Bowling Club

Southgate Evening Club for the Blind

Tamil Relief Centre

The Royal Air Forces Association (Enfield)

Tuesday Evening Club

Winchmore Hill Community Care

Winchmore Hill Bowls Club

ENFIELD BOROUGH OVER 50s FORUM

Revenue Accounts 1st April 2006 to 31st March 2007

Unrestricted Funds			Restricted Funds						
Income	2005/6	2006/7	Income	2005/6	2006/7				
Subscriptions	£3,866	£5,680	Lottery Fund Grant	£18,263	£18,809				
Grants & Donations	£1,424	£3,194							
Raffles	£393	£808							
Events, Trips & Social Events	£9,042	£15,476							
Interest on Halifax Account	£216	£298							
Miscellaneous	£66	-							
Promotion of Events		£750							
Total Income	£15,007	£26,207		£18,263	£18,809				
Expenditure			Expenditure						
Refreshments	£341	£257	Development Officer	£10,500	£10,800				
Events, Trips & Social Events	£5,379	£20,203	Development Officer Expenses	£91	£118				
Donations		£58	Administrative Support	£1,100	£467				
Miscellaneous	£27	-	Printing	£2,878	£3,050				
			Stationery	£927	£1,570				
			Postage	£1,281	£1,991				
			Travel	£331	£510				
			Communications	£345	£622				
			Salisbury House Rent		£375				
			Salisbury House Fittings		£317				
			Hall Hire		£214				
Total Expenditure	£5,747	£20,518		£17,453	£20,034				
Surplus/(Deficit) for year	£9,260	£5,689	Surplus/(Deficit) for year	£810	(£1,225)				
Funds at start of year	£6,968	£16,859	Funds at start of year	£3,118	£3,928				
Funds at end of year	£16,859	£22,548	Funds at end of year	£3,928	£2,703				
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Note

The restricted fund is a three year programme funded by the Big Lottery and which started in June 2004. The grant can only be used for the purposes outlined in the proposal and comes to an end in June 2007.

Prabodh Shukla

Treasurer, 31 May 2007

Balance Sheet

Represented by balances at banks		
	31.03.06	31.03.07
Halifax	£14,841	£9,340
Barclays	£5,946	£15,911
Total	£20,787	£25,251

Auditor's Report

I have examined the accounting records of Enfield Borough Over 50s Forum and find them to be a true and fair view of the Forum's affairs.



M Y Gulamhusein, FFA
Financial Accountant, Hon. Auditor

31th May 2007