

UK Meeting Centres Support Programme.



**Do you want to find out about the Meeting Centres Support Programme?
Are you thinking about setting up a Meeting Centre in your community?**

Then please come to this **FREE workshop.**

Meeting Centres Pioneer Workshop

(University of Ulster – Association for Dementia Studies)

VENUE: Anna House, Dunmurry Office Park, Dunmurry BT17 0AJ 028 9060 1177

DATE: Thursday 10th October 2019: 2pm – 4pm

Purpose

To bring together people from organisations to share information on how to set up Dementia Meeting Centres in N. Ireland strengthening collaboration and supporting the UK Meeting Centres Support Programme.

Background

Meeting Centres are an innovative way of supporting people with mild to moderate dementia and their families through an evidence-based, person-centred approach and offer an enjoyable, flexible and adaptive programme.

They are a great low-cost community based way of supporting people living with dementia and their families that have been successfully implemented in the Netherlands for over ten years and in the UK over the past 3 years.

The Association of Dementia Studies at the University of Worcester has been awarded funding from the National Lottery to help local communities across the UK to set up Meeting Centres in their areas.

Professor Dawn Brooker is the UKMCSP Programme Director and the Workshop is designed to help people think about and plan how a Meeting Centre might work in their community. A Guidebook will be provided at the Workshop for delegates to take away.

Agenda

14.00	Networking opportunity - Tea/coffee refreshments	
14.30	Welcome, introductions and apologies	Elaine Curry
14:35	PRESENTATION Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the UK Meeting Centres Support Programme? • Overview of UK Meeting Centre Programme & research/activity to date. What is a Meeting Centre? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History, principles and ethos including the adjusting to change approach. Key Elements of a planning for a Meeting Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to run a Community Engagement Event. • How to set up a Meeting Centre Planning Group of interested stakeholders. • Creating an Implementation Plan - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Who your target group is (who will attend the Meeting Centre); ◦ The programme of activities (for people with dementia, for carers; for the community). ◦ Finance (funding and sustainability); ◦ Finding a good location; ◦ Protocol and collaboration between stakeholders; ◦ Staffing and training; ◦ PR and marketing (reaching out to participants and referrers). • Providing the service. • Sustainability and the long-haul. Q & A Discussion What support can you receive under the UK Meeting Centres Support Programme Next steps	Dawn Brooker
16:00	Close of workshop	

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE ON THIS FREE WORKSHOP CONTACT

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