



MINUTES  
**Members Council – meeting 11**  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023



**Who was in the meeting?**

- Maisie
- Allana
- Jacob
- Robert
- Michael
- Kevin
- Johanna



**Introductions**

Everyone introduced themselves.



**Minutes from the previous meeting**

Reviewed actions from last meeting.



**Actions from last meeting**




- Johanna: find out the next steps about art donation – project on hold for now
- Volunteers: helping at Christmas party – completed



**Feedback for a money project**

Useful information to share with members about finances:

- Avoiding scams online – people asking for money on social media, offers that sound too good to be true etc.
- “Friends” who always want to borrow money but don’t give it back
- Avoiding spam calls – using call blocker apps
- Recipes for easy, low-cost meals
- Managing debts / what to do with letters from debt collection agencies (keeping in mind possible scams)
- Using bank card safely (not sharing PIN, covering PIN when paying)
- Using cash safely (not carrying large amounts of cash)
- Budgeting and saving for “luxuries” in advance

	<p><b>New annual theme for 2023</b></p> <p>The Members council focused on mental health awareness in 2022. We discussed theme ideas for this year.</p> <p>Most volunteers voted for a <u>Community</u> -theme – we will plan visits to other places, and attend meetings and events outside People Matters.</p>
	<p><b>Ideas for new projects/events for 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Co-production café with NHS learning disability involvement team</li> <li>- People’s Parliament - Council chamber takeover 20<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>- Picnic or other social event for People Matters volunteers</li> <li>- Leeds Pride 6<sup>th</sup> August</li> <li>- Event stalls at the market, universities, hospitals etc.</li> </ul> <p>Johanna will look for information about these events. Next time we will decide which events to focus on.</p>
	<p><b>Next meeting</b></p> <p>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023, 4.00pm – 5.30pm</p>

**Actions:**

- Johanna: look for information about the suggested events