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NEWSLETTER – SPRING 2018

for Passengers, Volunteers and friends of the charity

Welcome to the latest edition of our Newsletter, and to new passengers and volunteers joining us in recent months.

Many of the Villages held events over the winter period, to raise funds for the charity, or to seek new passengers or volunteers, or to enjoy the company of those already involved.



A great time was had by all who braved the December weather at the "Billifest" event in the centre of Billingshurst. The special competition was to guess the number of balloons inside the minibus



Volunteers from the Storrington Division held their annual lunch get together at the local chinese restaurant in January. Raffle prizes were donated by the West Chiltington WI ensuring everyone came away with more than a full stomach!



Escort training seminar – all escorts are invited to a seminar on Tuesday 27 February to discuss the potential for development / training activities to maintain best practice for the charity, and to benefit from the skills of our more experienced escorts. Please contact your Village Organiser for further details.

Grants, Donations and Legacies – Many thanks go to West Sussex County Council Transport Bureau for their award of recent grant to contribute to 2018 running costs of the charity. Funds from third parties are essential to our ongoing activities, particularly when investing in replacement minibuses.

Thanks also to the Three Crowns Inn at Wisborough Green for their sponsored logo on the village minibus

For people who enjoy online shopping you or your friends can help to raise donations for the charity by registering with

www.giveasyoulive.com/charity/westsussexminibus Alternatively, with www.easyfundraising.org.uk



Message from our Chairman

Happy New Year to passengers, volunteers and new friends. Your continuing support to the charity, whether through enjoyment of the trips, or helping our organisation run smoothly, is very much appreciated. I hope that like me, you are looking forward to a successful and enjoyable 2018!

Safe travels ! **Alistair Sheppard**

Data Protection legislation – regulations are changing in May this year to ensure that all businesses, charities and other organisations are managing your personal data in a safe and controlled manner. Your co-operation in helping us make adjustments to our policies and procedures is warmly appreciated, further information can be obtained from your village organiser or the charity secretary.

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