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Dear members,

- 1 West Sussex Primary Care Trust are asking voluntary and community organisations to help provide a network of 'Flu Friends' across West Sussex for people who do not have the support of family or friends in the community. Full details are available in the following two documents - the first explains the initiative and the second is a form where volunteers and their availability can be listed. Please return any response to Liz Costigan at the PCT - her details are in the document. **Attachments:** [CVS First Contact](#) [Flu Friends Volunteer List](#)

Please also see the latest release from West Sussex Primary Care Trust. Everyone in Sussex urged to find their 'Flu Friends'. "Everyone in Sussex is being urged to find their 'Flu Friends'. As the number of new confirmed cases of swine flu continues to rise steadily across the UK, now is the time to identify a number of family members or friends who could help you if you become unwell..." [Read more...](#)

- 2 Big Splash Carnival Workshops - get ready to party: please find a news item from Horsham District Council. **Attachment:** [Big splash](#)
- 3 Transition Horsham will be hosting the second of what will become regular 'third Wednesday of the month' Green Drinks this coming Wednesday, 15 July, from 7-9 pm. **Attachment:** [Green Drinks](#)
- 4 Broadbridge Heath Youth Club receives funding: please find a news item from Horsham District Council. PHOTOCALL NOTICE - the youth club will officially receive its funding on Thursday 16 July at 4pm. Meet at Broadbridge Heath Leisure Centre (reception), Wickhurst Lane, Broadbridge Heath (at the bottom of the Broadbridge Heath TESCO superstore car park). Contact on the day is CLare Ebelwicz of Horsham District Council. **Attachment:** [BroadBridgeHeathYouthClubFunding09](#)
- 5 The deadline to enter the 2009 CYP Now Awards has been extended by three weeks, to 31 July. The awards exist to reward excellence in work that improves the life chances of children, from birth to 19, and their families. Any project or initiative can be entered, whether it is in the public, voluntary or private sector. There are 22 categories to pick from. An expert panel of judges from across the children's and youth sector will examine all the entries. A panel of young people will also judge the entries at a later stage. It is therefore important that each entry is clear and accessible to adult professionals and young people alike. The Awards will be handed out at a gala ceremony on the evening of 26 November at the Hurlingham Club in London. Full details of the Awards are at www.cypnowards.com. For the entry form, simply click on 'Enter Now'.

- 6 Horsham District Council is currently pulling together the next edition of the Horsham District New magazine, which will be distributed to all Horsham District homes by 1st September. **Attachment:** [Horsham District New Magazine](#)
- 7 Please find attached news about the return of free Toddlers' Fun Sessions encouraging children to laugh and sing three times a week in Horsham Park throughout the summer holidays. The first sessions begins on Tuesday 28th July with magic and juggling courtesy of Silly Simon! For details of a fantastic range of other activities for children of all ages don't forget to check out the Horsham District Summer Action Pack - out now at Council reception points, leisure venues, libraries and available online at: http://www.horsham.gov.uk/leisure_and_tourism/leisure_286.asp **Attachment:** [Kidz_press_summer2009](#)
- 8 Please read the following request from the Age Concern and Help the Aged Media Department via Debbie Beale, Speaking Up for Our Age. If you have direct experience of these issues and are able to help please email Debbie (debbie.beale@helptheaged.org.uk) who will forward your details to the Media department.
- 'In preparation for the Government's Green Paper on care and support which is expected next week, the media team is looking for case studies of people who can talk openly about the failings of the care system for older people. In particular, a wide range of media are looking people who have had to sell their family homes to pay for care and also people who have gone through the means tested process for paying for care. They are also looking for case studies who can talk about the quality of care they or a relative receives and any changes that are needed to make the system fairer for older people.'
- 9 Please see the latest release from West Sussex Primary Care Trust: Have your say on new services for people with complex or severe personality disorder. "The NHS is developing new services for people with complex or severe personality disorder and inviting members of the public, service users, carers and staff to help determine what type of services are needed by sharing their views..." [Read more...](#)
- 10 Neon night at HYC: please find a news item from Horsham District Council. **Attachment:** [Neon night at HYC](#)

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