



...Improving lives after a stroke

Newsletter

JULY 2021

Dear ICARE clients, staff, and volunteers.

I hope you are all staying safe and well and are looking forward to returning to the Day Centre on 19th July, subject, once again, to Government guidelines – we certainly are. Between now and then, please remember that Sue is available at the Day Centre between Monday and Thursday if you want to have a chat or have any questions about the re-opening.

DIAL-A-RIDE

I have been in regular contact with Dial-A-Ride and this is latest update :-

“Dial-a-Ride, alongside the rest of TfL’s services, are following Government guidelines in respect of Covid-19 safety. This is particularly important for a service such as Dial-a-Ride because of the potential vulnerability of many of our customers to more severe Covid symptoms. Based on those Government guidelines we are operating slightly differently at present to enable us to accommodate adequate social distancing on our vehicles.

As part of these adaptations, we are **not** currently offering any of our pre-Covid regular booking arrangements.

We do not have a set date when this will change, but we review Government guidelines regularly and will be considering any changes to those guidelines as and when they take place. We will update you as soon as possible.

Although we are not offering standing bookings, a simple phone call or email is all that's required to book a journey". **PLEASE REMEMBER TO BOOK DIAL-A-RIDE PRIOR TO COMING TO THE DAY CENTRE AND MAKE SURE YOU BOOK THE RETURN JOURNEY AT THE SAME TIME.**

NEWS FROM ICARE

To comply with Bromley's Public Health guidelines, please remember to give us a call when you arrive in the morning and wait outside for a member of staff; also please ask whoever is collecting you in the afternoon to call on arrival and a member of staff will escort you to them. The telephone numbers are **01689 862883 or 07708 645382.**

Please be mindful that restrictions, e.g. wearing masks when moving around the Day Centre, may still be in place.

Thank you for returning your Personal Circumstances form, which has enabled me to update your file.

Staff

I am sad to let you know that Angela, our Speech Therapist, has retired after 14 years loyal service to ICARE. She will be very much missed by all of us at ICARE and we wish her every happiness for the future; Angela will keep in touch and hopes to help at our future fundraising events.

I am delighted to say that Eleanor will be our new Speech Therapist and is very much looking forward to meeting and working with you.

I have been staying in touch with Jayne from JLinks and they are looking forward to returning to ICARE and catching up with everyone.

I hope you are enjoying the Euro Football Tournament and the Wimbledon Championships and we are all looking forward to seeing you very soon.

Best wishes
Sue and the team

