


HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY BOARD

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Subject:	Murray Hall Community Trust (MHCT) - SPARCS - Connecting people in Sandwell
Contribution towards Vision 2030:	
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1 PURPOSE OF THE ITEM

- 1.1 The Board has invited the Health and Social Care Manager from the Murray Hall Community Trust (MHCT) to talk about the SPARCS project and the work that they do in Sandwell.
- 1.2 The SPARCS project supports people over 65 years to maintain their health and wellbeing and to reduce social isolation and loneliness.
- 1.3 MHCT is a registered charity based in the West Midlands, which works in communities in Sandwell. A leaflet is attached (Appendix 1) to provide background information.

2 RECOMMENDATION

That the Board considers and comments upon the information provided in the presentation.

3 IMPLICATIONS FOR SANDWELL'S VISION

The review of policies in relation to social isolation and loneliness supports the following ambitions in the Council's Vision 2030:-

Ambition 2 – Sandwell is a place where we live healthy lives and live them for longer, and where those of us who are vulnerable feel respected and cared for.

Ambition 5 – Our communities are built on mutual respect and taking care of each other, supported by all the agencies that ensure we feel safe and protected in our homes and local neighbourhoods.

Ambition 10 – Sandwell now has a national reputation for getting things done, where all local partners are focused on what really matters in people's lives and communities.

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