

NEWSLETTER JULY 2025



Summer 2025

MEET THE STAFF

Anne McConville - Support Manager Fiona Fraser - Depute Manager Mary Walker - Care Assistant Shannon McGuire - Care Assistant Andrea Gourlay - Administrator Kate Kilgallon - Cook Cha Swan - Caretaker Marlyn Young - Volunteer Anne Carruthers - Volunteer Maureen Vidler - Volunteer Jennifer Kilpatrick - Volunteer Fiona Murray - Volunteer Janet Letham - Volunteer Libby Bowman - Volunteer Robert Perry - Volunteer Mary Douglas - Volunteer Daniel McConville - Volunteer Willie Alcorn - Volunteer Yvonne Marshall - Volunteer Alyson Marchant - Volunteer Christine McWilliams - Volunteer If you can, or know of anyone who would like to become a volunteer by either driving or assisting with our clients, please get in touch with any member of our team.

GOODBYE & HELLO

Lynsey has recently moved on to new pastures, so we would like to welcome Shannon McGuire who has joined our team. Christine McWilliams also joined our volunteering team. We have two students who are supporting our volunteers over the school summer break, so welcome to Karolina & Lacha.



We attended the Scotmid AGM and are pleased to announce that we were awarded £5000. This will be used towards activities over the next year. We were also awarded £3000 from The Albert Hunt Trust to cover some of our core costs. West Lothian Development Trust also donated £4092 which has enabled us to replace the mechanism in the front door of the centre. Andrea recently made a presentation to Armadale Methodist Church, and they kindly donated £175 to ANSWER House.



Following on from our last newsletter, we announced that Group 3 from Pinewood School were representing ANSWER House for YPI Funding. This was to extend the patio area within our garden. I am pleased to say that the group worked very hard putting the film together promoting ANSWER House and they WON and we have been awarded £3000!

SAVE THE DATE

Our AGM will be held in ANSWER House on Monday 1st September 2025 at 2.00pm.



Some of our clients celebrated their Birthdays recently







Ken

Nina

Gwen

Margaret

LIVING WITH DEMENTIA

- Agree, never argue
- Divert, never reason
- Distract, never shame
- Reassure, never lecture
- Reminisce, never say "remember"
- Repeat, never say "I told you"
- Do what they can do, never say "you cant"
- Ask, never demand
- Encourage, never condescend
- Reinforce, never force

HOLIDAYS

If anyone has summer holiday plans, please let us know so we can plan our activities accordingly.

PREVIOUS ACTIVITIES



Potting some plants for the garden



Dancing to one of our monthly entertainers



Enjoying the sunshine



Trip to Caulders Garden Centre for cake!



Anne recently celebrated her 60th Birthday!