

**DEVERON DISTRICT AGE CONCERN**

**AGM**

**17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**

**3.30PM**

**BUCHAN STREET HALL**

**MACDUFF**

**CHAIR REPORT:**

Welcome everyone to the DDAC AGM, thanks for all coming along today, hope you have had a nice cup of tea and chat.

Firstly, I would like to thank all our volunteers and committee for the hard work you have all done for us in the last year, without all of you giving up your free time to help we would not be able to keep the charity shop open, and to Linda our only employee for managing the shop so thank you all.

Sadly, we lost a few of our long-standing volunteer last year to ill health which is always hard on the rest of you as we all become very close friends. We have starting to gain some new volunteers which is very welcoming, but we are always looking for more to join our happy team.

The shop continues to bring in lots of donations regularly and sometimes more than we can cope with, but Maureen, Lesley, Angie and Rita do a great job of keeping all the appropriate donations ready to be brought through to the shop for selling so thank you for this.

The main aim of our Charity Shop is to support our local community and I feel this has again been successful over the last year, with the continued Grants we have given out in the last year, which are highlighted in Alun in his summary, Tree planting CHB, Macduff Church warm spaces, DHR Juniors, Portsoy warm spaces, Buchan st Hall, we also received donations of money. Our continued hard work and sales has allowed our Lunch Club to continue to grow whereby we supported over 700 meals last year, again we are still managing to supply Discharge Bags to all patient's on their discharge from Chalmers Hospital, of which we have received several thank you notes along with donation also.

So that's a quick look at last year and am delighted to say we are looking healthier which has been shown by the return of volunteers outing and Christmas meal for all, sorry I am now in this year but glad we are able to show

our appreciation by supporting the wellbeing of our volunteers through outings, so thanks everyone.