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YOUR IDEAS (and other stuff)

Remember if you want to learn how to upload your own information on our website regarding groups or community events we can come and teach you how to do this — don't be shy, just give us a shout.

- Do you have any stories about friendship?
- Do you have any announcements to make?
- Are you trying to organise a group event?
- Do you have anything you'd like to comment on?

Just email us ! We will include it in the next newsletter and on the website.

Quiz Time!

Can you find FOOTBALL, PHOTO, MEET, MOOCH and FRIENDS in the word search?

A	T	Y	O	O	K	T	D	H	S
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FANE NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to Friends Action North East!

Well, the Christmas season will soon be upon us....where does the time go? Keep an eye out for the details of our Christmas party at the Tyneside cinema.

FANE would like to say thankyou to all those who came to our social event at the Pitcher and Piano, it was great to see so many of you there!

BLOGS

A blog is something you write or re-record and share online about what you think, your experiences or even any tips or words of advice.

Once it is online, other people can make comments about your blog so it is a place for people to get chatting and share stories.

So if anyone would like to send us anything please get in touch. Go on, have your say! It could be about anything from making new friends, using public transport, how you manage your money, places or activities you recommend going to.

What's new....

We are busy setting up meetings with all the new volunteers.

New Friendship Finders have been through the new induction program and are now starting to be matched up with their volunteers

We are organising a bunch of new groups and it would be lovely to see lots of you getting involved!



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PARTNERSHIP WORKING & SAFE PLACES

FANE are proud to be working with other regional organisations like Better Days, Your Voice Counts, Arch and the Police to build safer places in our Region.

A safe place is a place that will offer a bit of additional support to someone who feels vulnerable or in need of help when out and about.

Watch out soon for the Safe Place logo appearing on our community map! If you see this logo at any location you know you can ask for a little help and the staff are trained to support people.



FANE is also working with our partners to build safe places in the evening to make us feel more safe when having a good night out.



Keep an eye on our 'what's on' page for the safe place tour and nightclub finale, coming soon in February!



Find your dancing shoes and join us for a safe places night on the Town!

If you have any suggestions for a safe place in your local area, please get in touch!



Friends Action North East

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YOUR GREAT ONLINE RESOURCE



- ✓What's on in your local area
- ✓Meeting zone
- ✓Interactive community map
- ✓You rate venues and facilities
- ✓Friendship resources

- ✓Website - audio feature
- ✓Website - fully accessible
- ✓Accessibility information
- ✓All of the latest news

FANE Champions friendship, raising expectations and creating opportunities to do ordinary things.



For more information

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Mocktails and canapés at the Pitcher and piano!



WEBSITE PAGE!

We've been working hard to make some important changes to our website, www.friendsaction.co.uk, so if you can, get online and check it out! It's now easier to use and has Recite, which can read the website out to you, make the words bigger, change the colours and much more. Just click on the "speak" button at the top of every page.

You can also use the website to find out information about places and groups you would like to go to, such as disabled access and how to get there, and you can find out about all the great events that are happening near you! You don't have to, but if you register with the site, you can leave comments about the places you visit to help other people make better choices about where to go and join in on the Community Banter page. Registering is easy, but you will need an email address. Please note there is a video tutorial to guide you on how to use the website.



Internet Drop in Sessions

Our brand new easy-to-use and safe website, www.friendsaction.co.uk is now up and running! To celebrate, we hosted a series of internet drop in sessions at libraries in North Tyneside, Gateshead and Newcastle during August and September. We were joined by many people who used ipads, laptops and computers to get online to find out about what is happening in their community. They safely found out about places, groups and events in the North East as well as other useful information. Some people registered with the website too, so they were able to leave comments on the website.

If you have access to a computer, check out our website, www.friendsaction.co.uk. There are some interesting stories on our "blog" page. If anyone would like to share their story on our website or is interested in finding out more, we would love to hear from you!