**Newsletter Spring 2024**

As we are beginning to see better weather, we are pleased to welcome our new members and to see so many of you using our services.

**Happy 30th Birthday NDCT!**

On the 24th June 2024, NDCT will be celebrating 30 years of serving the local community. It is impossible to thank every single person responsible for 30 years of NDCT history, however, we are grateful for our outstanding volunteers, drivers, office staff and trustees who have dedicated themselves over the years to continue to provide a range of services to our members. We look forward to serving the local community more in the upcoming years.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR NDCT AGM 2024**

Leading on from our birthday, our Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place in the afternoon on Friday 28th June 2024 and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to this event. Please save the date, we will send invitations nearer the time.

We will be combining our anniversary celebrations with the AGM, so we invite you to celebrate with us over tea and cake. When the invites are sent out- book your place as soon as possible!

**Summer Trip Programme**

We are pleased to attach our Summer Trip Programme, **booking for MAY trips is available from Monday 15th April 2024.**

Please see below and on the trip list when you should book, please follow the timetable accordingly as we are unable to book trips months in advance going forward. Please telephone the office on 01275 855552 to reserve a space.

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| For trips in **May 2024** | Phone and book from the **15th April 2024** |
| For trips in **June 2024** | Phone and book from the **13th May 2024** |
| For trips in **July 2024** | Phone and book from the **10th June 2024** |
| For trips in **August 2024** | Phone and book from the **8th July 2024** |

To secure your place, we will require a **£5 non refundable deposit** when you call to book. This will be taken off the total fee for the trip on the day of the trip.

We have had to review the prices of our trips due to the ever-rising costs. We hope that the trips are still great value for money, with a range of exciting places to visit.

If you have any feedback on our trips or have any suggestions for alternative venues, please let the office know so that we can explore the possibilities for our autumn programme.

**Electric Buses Update**

It has been a long process, but we are nearer to taking delivery of the electric minibuses as most of the necessary DVSA checks have been completed. We are hopeful that you'll soon be riding in these new zero emission vehicles!

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| **Weekly Shopping**  If you are interested in joining our weekly shopping trips to Nailsea, Clevedon and Portishead please telephone the office to see if there are spaces. | **Dial A Ride**  Many of you are now taking advantage of this service. If you need transport for a medical appointment, contact us; a minimum notice of 7 days is required to give us time to find a driver to take you. | **Volunteers**  We are extremely grateful to our team of volunteers who are invaluable in helping us to provide our services. If you know of anyone who would like to be a volunteer driver, please ask them to get in touch. |

**We hope you are looking forward to our seasonal trips coming up in the Summer.**

Kind regards,

Trustees and Staff, NDCT