



Hello everyone,

**Wishing you all a very
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

I am delighted with our first couple of months after re-opening our groups and clubs. They have been well attended and everyone has said how much they have been missed. The numbers were rather limited to start with but they are building, and we are getting new members. So far the Project is broadly, back to normal with the Carers Club and Info Café, Fit Club, Cross Green Lunch Club, and our Volunteer Transport Service. And of course we have always been here for Advice and Information, Telephone Contact, On-Line Support, etc. All good, but we need to get back to where we were before the pandemic and go on from there. We need to re-open The Coopersfield Lunch Club (Is there anyone who would like to help with a bit of cooking or helping with setting up, serving and chatting?), and to find a temporary solution to the difficulties which have led to the delayed resumption of CAMEO (Is there anyone would like to help with games, activities, and afternoon tea?). We are working on it!

In the meantime, it is the Festive Season and we are looking forward to our Christmas Carers Club Party on December 7th with all manner of goodies and having our amazing "Music Man", Stephen Mckie entertain us and lead us in our traditional Christmas singalong. Fit Club and The Cross Green Lunch Club are also making up for missing out last year.

Let us all hope that 2022 will be a year of new beginnings and renewal of old friendships. The Debenham Project will be taking a break from December 16th through to January 4th, recommencing with Cross Green Lunch Club on the 4th, Fit Club on the 6th, and Carers Club on the 11th.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude for all the generosity and support that the Project has received from our community (and beyond) over this last difficult year. It has certainly been worrying at times but throughout I have never had any concern that the Project would not survive and recover. Your support has ensured that we will be around for years to come.

With all my best wishes,

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