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SUMMER 2023

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Do you have any unloved and unwanted knitting wool hidden away and lurking in the back of cupboards, part ball left over from garments you have knitted, or maybe you have decided to give up knitting? Here is your chance to give your wool a new life and help others at the same time, any colour and any thickness is fine, we can make good use of it. Along with a few friends I knit for Charity all year round. Our efforts go all around the world and help here in the UK. We knit everything from baby hats to large blankets and lots of things in-between such as children's vests, jumpers and hats, adult scarves, knitted toys and much more. If you have any to spare wool, we can make good use of it. Please drop it into the DACT office or mobility shop. Thank you very much for your support! **Avis Hughes – Chair of Trustees**

Donate Wool



TRANSPORT OFFICE | MOBILITY SHOP & REPAIRS
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Find us on...



Meet Steve...

Volunteer Driver



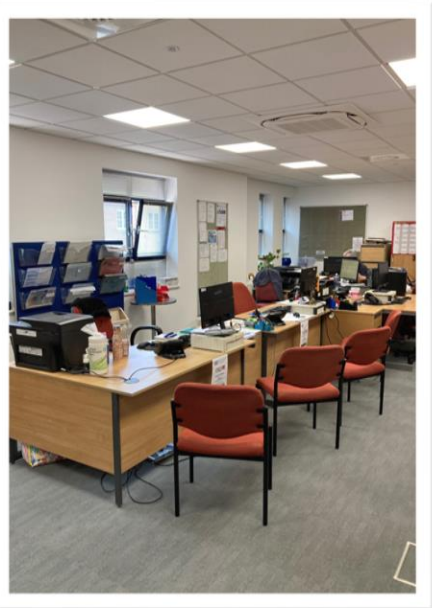
“My name is Steve. On June 20th 2022, I lost my wife after she spent 6 months battling illness. After her death I was at a loss to know what to do with myself and crying constantly. A mutual friend of mine suggested volunteering to be a driver for DACT. I went to see Nikki, one of the trip organisers, and I filled in a form. After the background checks were complete, I started to drive people with varying needs and levels of fitness to their various appointments. The role is so rewarding. All the people have one thing in common... they all have a story to tell and talking to them on their journeys has been a massive help and comfort to me as well. It's so good knowing we are making a real difference to these people's lives who would otherwise be left isolated.”

Inspired by Steve's story?

Start volunteering today by calling 01327 701665

Well, it has taken some time to happen, but DACT have finally moved office to the first floor! Our new office space is a bit thinner but slightly longer than our previous one and has its own training/meeting room. There is a new system to visit us as you need an entry card to access the 1st floor, so when you arrive go to Reception and they will be happy to buzz the door open for you and DACT's office is the first on the left as you come in. If you have any problems with this process do let me know. There are stairs and a lift to the first floor. Being on the first floor now means we have been on all 3 floors in our time at the Abbey, which some of you might remember.

New Office



**HIRE A WHEELCHAIR/MOBILITY SCOOTER
ON ONE OF OUR DACT DAYS OUT – ONLY £5**





New Minibus...



You may remember that during the pandemic we had to sell 2 of our 7 buses to help us get through financially, plus the fact most of our passengers were isolating which meant the buses were not being used. The good news is, we will shortly be taking delivery of our latest new minibus. This bus was funded by generous donors and fundraising efforts of other Trusts and Charities given earlier this year. We will then have 5 Minibuses, and this will make it easier for groups to get the right bus for their needs. It is worth noting that if you need one, it's best to book in good time to avoid disappointment. We still have quite a few days when all our buses are booked out. Having 5 buses now will stretch us on the volunteer front so if you fancy giving minibus driving a go, give us a ring.



Charity of the Year



We would like to thank The ARC cinema for their continued support of DACT this year. Not only for their efforts in raising funds for DACT through bake sales and charity events, but also allowing us to hold our 2022 Christmas volunteer's day to thank our wonderful volunteers for their dedication to DACT their local communities during the year.

We are now happy to announce that the Roadchef Service Station at Watford Gap have selected DACT as their Charity of the Year for 2023. We are incredibly grateful and excited that special fundraising events will be held – as well as donation tins being placed on every counter in store – to help us continue to support the less-able and vulnerable in the Daventry District.

Special Saturdays



In line with certain special events in Daventry, DACT Mobility Shop will be opening on the following days:

Saturday 5th August – Feel-Good Fest

Saturday 16th September – Foodies Market

Saturday 25th November – Christmas Market



Our Annual General Meeting will be taking place on Wednesday 16th August at 10am in the Abbey Centre



THANK YOU

for your support

Did you know that your kind donations under Gift Aid enabled DACT to claim £1200 from HMRC for the tax year ending 5 April 2023? Gift Aid is a scheme that allows UK taxpayers to boost their donation. For example, if you donate £10 under Gift Aid this becomes £12.50 for DACT without any additional cost to you. If you pay income tax and the donation is from your own funds, please consider completing the Gift Aid form within the newsletter for future donations. DACT would like to say a huge thank you for all the wonderful donations we receive. Every donation to DACT helps to continue providing services to those in need within the Daventry district.



Please use my gift to help DACT provide community transport in the Daventry district.

My full name Telephone
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From the account detailed please deduct

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Every Month Quarter Year

Commencing /day /month /year

Regularly until further notice

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 Street Daventry Northants NN11 4BQ. Please ensure
 any backdated payments are credited

I cannot give regularly at the moment but
 please accept the enclosed gift £

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Signature Date

This replaces any previous standing order to DACT

Name of account holder

Name of bank and address

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Account number Sort Code

Signature Date

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