

## **CHRISTMAS MESSAGE**

I would like to take a moment to reflect on what S.G.N.S. has been doing since we were catapulted into these unbelievable times due to this COVID19 Pandemic which has impacted on everyone but it is a testament to the resolve of people that is helping us through this.

Since March Ken and Mik have been based in our office where they have become front line workers. They have been offering a befriending telephone call to everyone registered with SGNS to check and see if you are ok or if you need any support. With the help of some of our wonderful volunteers they have been grocery shopping, delivering medications, paying bills, personal banking and door step visits.

With everyone staying at home we wanted to provide some activities to help keep you occupied. These activities include a library, quiz packs and a home movie night, which I might add have had a very good take up. Also we gave people the opportunity to make their own hamper with a gift voucher for Tesco's. A BIG THANK YOU goes to:

- Outer East Community Committee
- Housing Association Panel of Leeds City Council
- Local Ward Councillors, Cllr P Gruen, Cllr P Grahame, Cllr J Lennox
- Asda Killingbeck
- Tesco's Seacroft

Who provided funding which enabled us to develop and deliver these activities.

Also I would like to thank the wonderful people who from March this year have made donations totalling £1,103.00. THANK YOU EVER SO MUCH Ho Ho Ho!

These are unprecedented times for us all and the future is too uncertain to predict but we must look forward to the New Year and hope that 2021 will give us the opportunity to try and bring some normality back to the Swarcliffe Good Neighbours Scheme. Change will be a key word for 2021 and we will try our hardest to tailor the challenges of change to meet the needs of YOU the older people we work with and for.

Brenda (Chair)  
Executive Management Committee

**Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from all of us at S.G.N.S.**