Oakley Stitchers Donate Dementia-Friendly Props to Support Age Concern Hampshire

Friday 14 March, 2025

Age Concern Hampshire is delighted to announce a generous donation from Oakley Stitchers CIC, a dedicated community group that has handcrafted dementia-friendly props, including Twiddle Muffs, lap blankets, and fidget toys. These specially designed items will support the charity's Hospital to Home service in Gosport, Petersfield, and Alton hospitals, helping patients with dementia feel more comfortable and engaged during their hospital stay and transition back home. If you would like to find out more or get involvedin helping them create items for us and the many other areas they support, please visit their website www.oakleystitchers.org.uk.

Twiddle Muffs/mitts and similar sensory items provide invaluable comfort to individuals living with dementia by offering soothing tactile stimulation, reducing anxiety, and helping to maintain fine motor skills. The donation from Oakley Stitchers CIC will directly benefit older patients, ensuring they receive additional care and support in a way that enhances their wellbeing.

"We are incredibly grateful to Oakley Stitchers CIC for their kindness and generosity," said Brogan Rehill, Head of Fundraising & Volunteer Services at Age Concern Hampshire. "Their donation will make a significant difference to individuals living with dementia by providing a sense of reassurance and familiarity during a potentially stressful time."

Age Concern Hampshire welcomes all forms of support from the community. Whether through volunteering, donations of equipment, or financial contributions, every bit of help makes a meaningful difference in the lives of older people. The charity relies on the generosity of individuals, businesses and groups to continue delivering essential services, and anyone interested in supporting their work can get in touch by emailing supporters@ageconcernhampshire.org.uk.

Notes to Editors:
Founded in 1985, Age Concern Hampshire has been providing services to the older community of Hampshire for 40 years this year. The charity currently deliver support at their Care & Wellbeing centres throughout the county, as well as Foot Care clinics, Help at Home, Information via their Information Hub, Hospital to Home Services, Community Information Volunteer Services and a variety of other activities.

For more information, visit: www.ageconcernhampshire.org.uk

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