

## HARBORNE DEMENTIA CARERS HUB GROUP



Success! Our Grant Takes Us to Bourton on the Water!

We're thrilled to announce that our recent grant application to Forward Carers was a success, resulting in a fantastic £500 for our unpaid carers group. After a group decision, we decided to put the funds to good use by organising a much-needed day trip to the stunning Bourton on the Water.



This outing was a golden opportunity for dementia carers and those they care for to spend some quality time together, away from their usual home and care environments. We chose Bourton on the Water not only for its beauty but also for its proximity – the journey was just the right length for a relaxing day out. Plus, who could resist those serene views?



Known as the "Venice of the Cotswolds," Bourton on the Water offered everything we could hope for: picturesque Cotswold stone buildings, a peaceful river perfect for dipping your feet in, and plenty of benches and shaded spots for some quiet people-watching. There was something for everyone, from wandering around the Model Village and exploring Birdland to visiting The Motor Museum or simply enjoying a picnic lunch and an ice cream by the river.

Our adventure was scheduled for Friday, 9th August 2024. We arranged transport with Shencare Community Transport, who provided two minibuses and, most importantly, two amazing drivers – Jason and Wayne. They were incredibly kind, patient, and helpful, ensuring everyone was well-supported and able to enjoy the day to the fullest. The trip was a great success! It gave the carers some much-needed respite and offered a refreshing change of scenery for both carers and the cared-for alike.



A massive thank you to Forward Carers for the grant and for making this amazing day possible. Also, thanks to Edgbaston NNS, and Deborah from Age UK, Birmingham and Paul for his time in compiling this friendly feedback.

Everyone had a fantastic time, and we can't wait for our next adventure.

**Join us at support group meetings:  
Harborne Baptist Church, Harborne Park Road, Harborne, B17 0DH.  
Fridays 10.30am - 12.30pm**