

## UPTON COMMUNITY CARE

On the 20<sup>th</sup> July Upton Community Care had its annual summer Cheese and Wine party. This year we choose a new venue, Welland Village Hall, and whilst we greatly missed Eleanor Grigson's lovely house and garden, it was good to see everyone including Eleanor on the day and a good time was had by all. Sadly on the day we said goodbye to John and Chris Lamb, who have both retired from driving for UCC. Unfortunately, Chris was unable to be with us but we presented John with a bouquet of flowers for her and a book-token for himself.

Over the years John and Chris have been involved in the many roles in UCC, John having driven 1874 journeys in a 24 year period, with a total of 30258 miles! They have both been at various times on our UCC committee, and Chris also worked in the office. They will both be greatly missed, and we thank them for their input, their dedication and for all they have done.

Which leaves UCC with a problem - as well as John and Chris retiring, we also had another two drivers who retired at the same time. Unfortunately we do not seem able to attract new drivers at the moment despite advertising on a regular basis. If this situation continues, we will have no choice but to look at restricting the number of requests we accept.

If you need help from us please consider if there is anyone else, a relative, friend, or neighbour, who could help you before you ask us. We hate to say no we cannot help you, but we may need to restrict numbers if we cannot find new drivers.

**So, do you have some spare time or know of someone who has and would like to help us, you can do as little or as much as your circumstances allow. We would love to hear from you - the old proverb of "Many hands make light work" is definitely true in our organisation. Please consider helping us to help our community, it is very worthwhile. For more information and or an informal chat see contact details below.**

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