



Minibus appeal

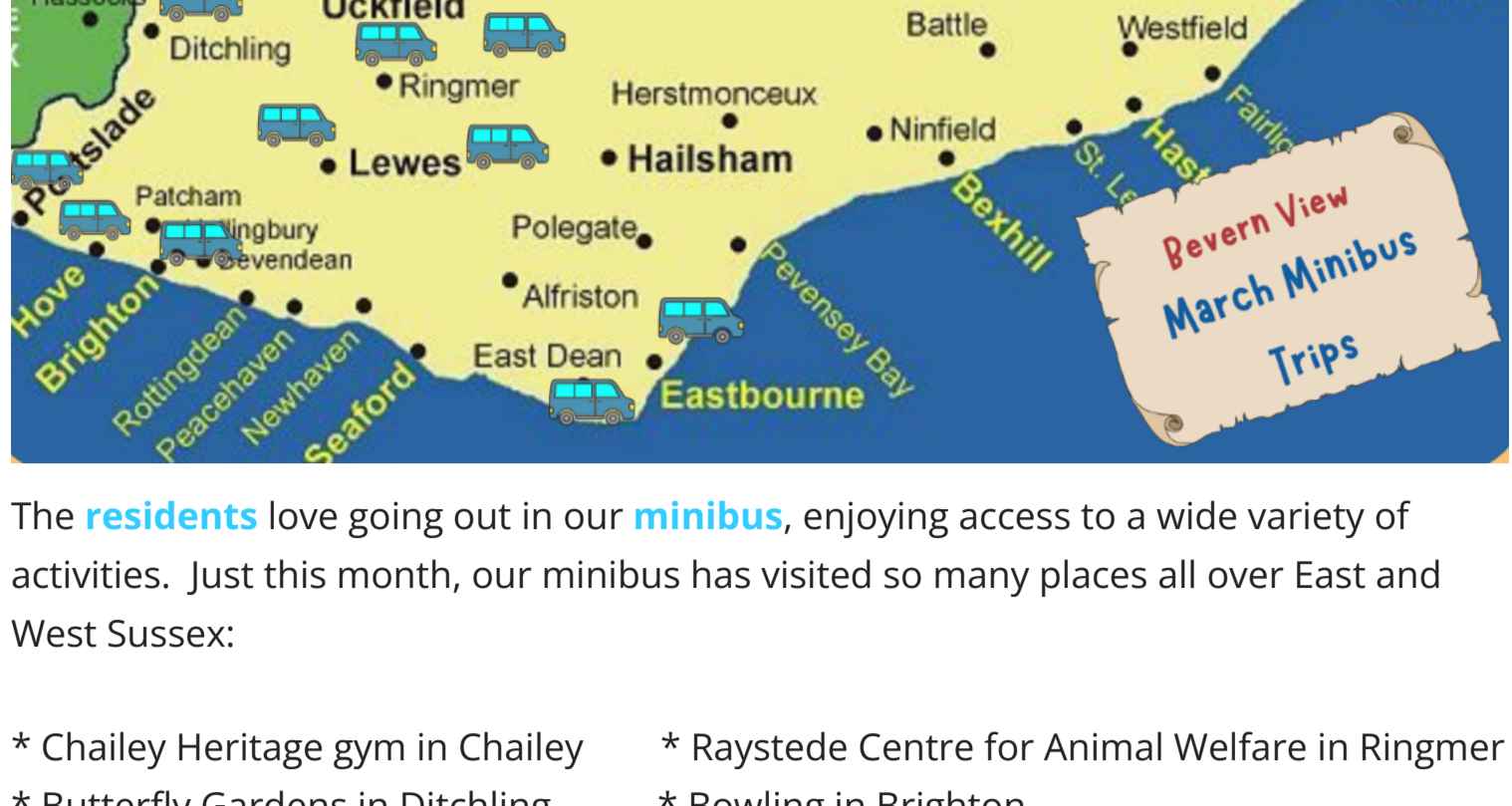
This month sees the launch of our 2023 Bevern Trust **minibus appeal** and we want to share how you can help.

It is our mission to enable our residents to live full and rewarding lives as part of their family and community. We are lucky enough to own specially adapted vehicles but one of them is now over 13 years old and the wear and tear means we are spending precious income on servicing and repairs.

We need to raise **£50,000** for a replacement vehicle. So, our appeal to our incredible supporters is to ask for your help in this challenge – your generous donations can make all the difference to our wonderful resident's lives.

There are many ways to get involved in our fundraising:

- Visit our website at www.beverntrust.org and donate online, completing the gift aid section if relevant.
- Pay by BACS to The Bevern Trust Sort code 40-52-40 Account no. 00023041
- Send a cheque to Bevern View payable to The Bevern Trust (if you're eligible for gift aid, we can send you a form to complete).

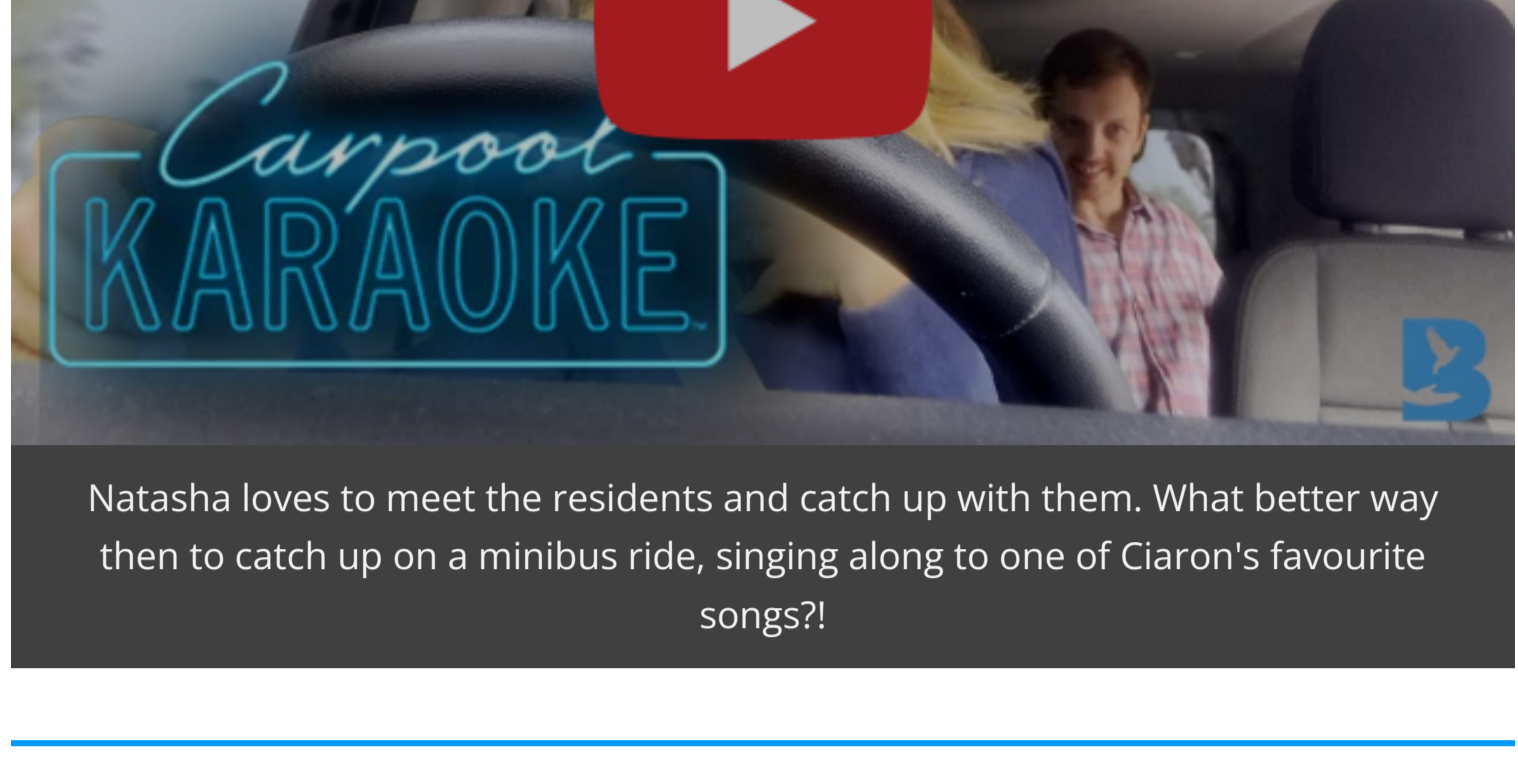


The **residents** love going out in our **minibus**, enjoying access to a wide variety of activities. Just this month, our minibus has visited so many places all over East and West Sussex:

- * Chailley Heritage gym in Chailley
- * Butterfly Gardens in Ditchling
- * Bloomin' Arts in Lingfield
- * The Blue Camel Club in Hove
- * Dinner out in Lewes
- * Sailing in Chichester
- * Roller skating in Eastbourne!
- * Raystede Centre for Animal Welfare in Ringmer
- * Bowling in Brighton
- * a Concert in Buxted
- * The Dripping Pan football stadium in Lewes
- * Visit to Murn in Eastbourne
- * Attending a wedding in Barcombe Mills
- * Supermarket shopping in Lewes

You can see from all these outings how vital this accessible **minibus** is in enabling our residents to enjoy living life to the full!

You might also recall how **Natasha** and **Claron** enjoyed their minibus ride a few months ago? Take a look below to see how much fun they had!



Natasha loves to meet the residents and catch up with them. What better way then to catch up on a minibus ride, singing along to one of Claron's favourite songs?

In our Home

To help celebrate World Book Day this month, the residents performed a personalised version of The Highway Rat. Our version was called **The Bevern Bandit**. They also wrote individual stories using different genres, characters and storylines.

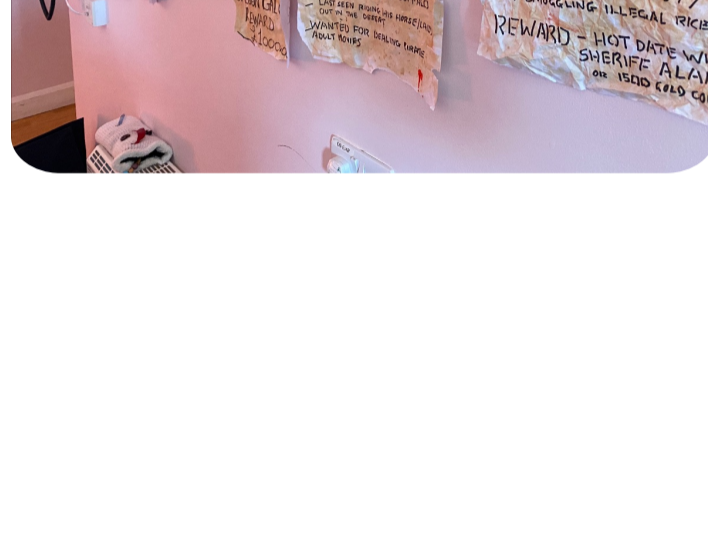
Lots of time and care went into our **Mother's Day** gifts and cards to show all the mums how much they are loved. After choosing which design and colour they wanted, the residents painted plant pots, which were then planted with daffodils. They looked fantastic and **Paul** certainly enjoyed getting messy!

Trinity Messengers Puppets came to visit us and performed a range of well-known songs. As you can see from **Chloe's** face, she loved it!

Mark and **Saleem** enjoyed a trip to the supermarket for some **sensory shopping**. Saleem had the trolley attached to his chair and was loving putting the items in the trolley whilst Mark was in his element helping to scan the shopping.

Cowboy Day was a big hit this month. We made wanted posters, **JP** and **Claron** had an insult slinging contest using their touch screen computers before partaking in a gentlemanly shoot out with outrageous sound effects. We then played some cowboy games and James, JP and Chloe had a go at virtual reality horse riding.

Chloe, Claron, Simon, Amy, Paul and Holly have loved going to Barcombe Village Hall every Friday afternoon for a music session with Vanessa.



Dates for your Diaries!

We're looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming fundraising events, raising funds for our **Minibus Appeal**. Starting with **Banks Farm Open Gardens** on **Sunday 23rd April**, followed by an exciting evening of murder and intrigue with **Dial Medicine for Murder** on **Friday 12th May**.

We'd love you to share the information with friends and family - if you would like a poster jpg which you can then email on to others, or print and put up in your local area, please email kirsty.baker@beverntrust.org and we can arrange this.

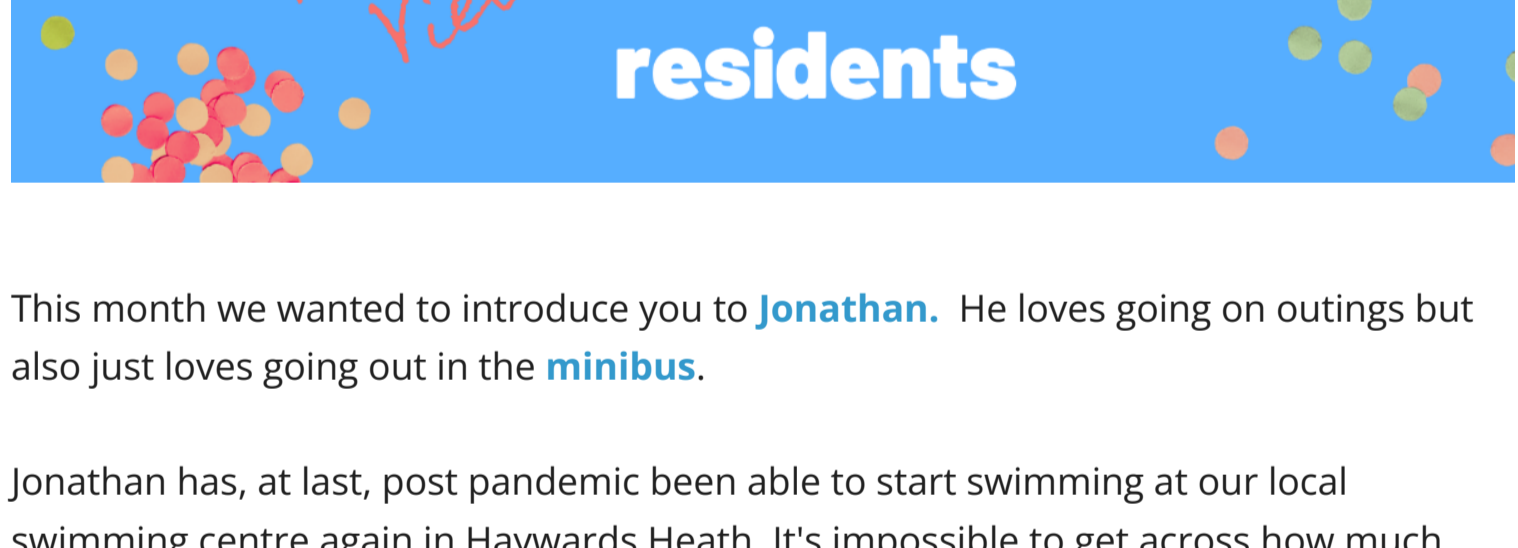
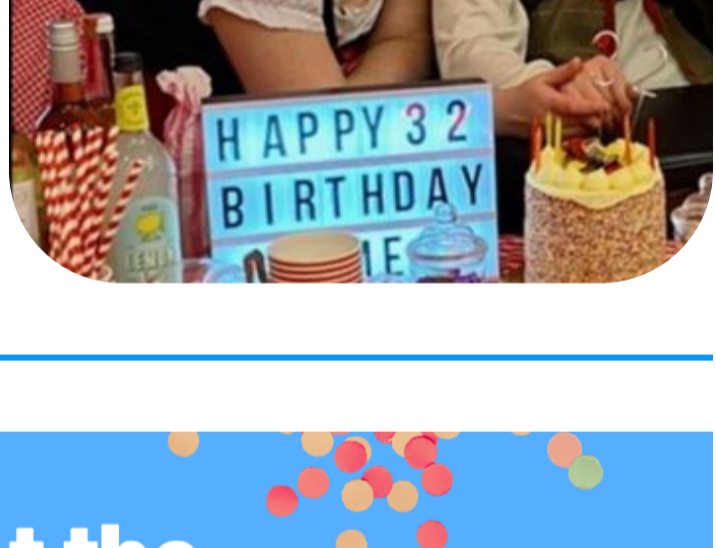
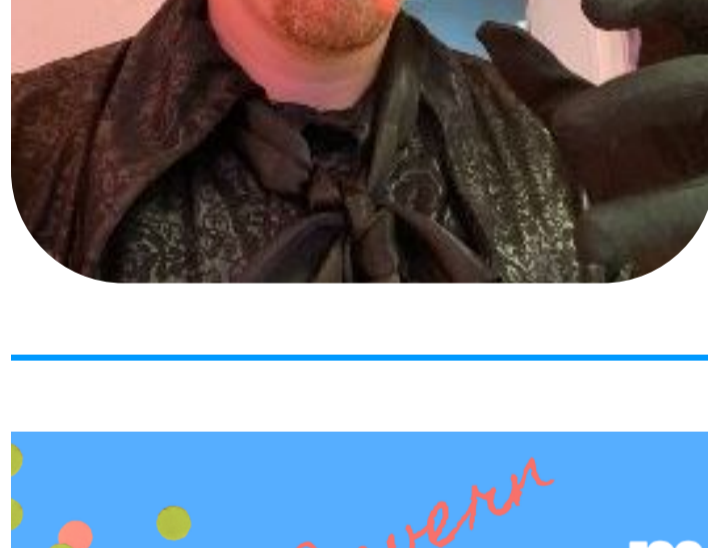


Birthday celebrations

There were two birthdays to **celebrate** this month.

Firstly, **James** celebrated his 32nd birthday with a Chitty Chitty Bang themed party that involved lots of party games such as pass the parcel with clues and facts, guess the song from Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and Twister. There was a huge sweet bar and our own incredibly terrifying child catcher!

As well as celebrating his 27th birthday with his family and having a party at Bevern, **Claron** was so sweet and took his friend Molly out for lunch at Fuego Lounge.



This month we wanted to introduce you to **Jonathan**. He loves going on outings but also just loves going out in the **minibus**.

Jonathan has, at last, post pandemic been able to start swimming at our local swimming centre again in Haywards Heath. It's impossible to get across how much this outing means to Jonathan and his family but Maciek and Jorge who both take him regularly gave us this little update:

"Jonathan has loved being back at swimming - he remembered exactly where to go and lead me to the disabled changing rooms. He then went to the water side, sat down on the floor and held onto the metal bars. I went in first and he held on to me as we slowly got into the water. We went to the right side of the pool and were in the wrong lane and he took me to the left side! So many people remembered Jonathan and asked how he was."



Thank you!

Lewes Football Club were kind enough to allow The Bevern Trust to collect at their men's home game on 25th March. It was very cold, but our bucket collection raised over **£160**, which is incredible.

Mark, **Simon** and **JP** came along to watch Lewes claim a well deserved three points. They loved the excitement of the crowd and were over the moon to receive scarves from Lewes Supporters Club.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the staff, volunteers and fans, especially Dave and Barry, for helping to organise the event, supporting us and making us feel so welcome.



Easyfundraising!

It's so easy - did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising free donations for The Bevern Trust Minibus Appeal with easyfundraising? The smallest amounts add up to a big donation over time - Graeme S even managed to secure a £40 donation simply by ordering windscreen wipers from Amazon, accessing the site through easyfundraising first!

There are over 7,000 brands on board ready to make a donation - including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, Tesco, Sainsburys and M&S - and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

All you need to do is:

1. Go to https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/thebeverntrust/?utm_campaign=raise-more and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the brand will make a donation to The Bevern Trust at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and The Bevern Trust will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support.

SUPPORT US MONTHLY

We would love to hear from you if you would like to become involved in supporting our dynamic and life-changing work on a regular basis through monthly giving. We really appreciate all your support, and this monthly giving helps us to make plans for the care we provide.

Click on the Donate now button to set up a regular monthly gift or to make a one off donation to The Bevern Trust in 2023.

Do follow us on our social media pages - all links below - for regular films, photos and updates on Bevern View life and memories from activities over the years.

Please do let us know if there is anything else you would ever like to hear more of - we're always open to suggestions!

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DONATE NOW

We hope you've enjoyed reading our update. We'd love to hear your comments or feedback on any of the above.

Thank you,

The Bevern Trust