



## News Release

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### Shock Donation for Magpas!

Stagecoach has given local emergency medical charity Magpas an early Christmas present by presenting one of their Community First Responder Groups with an automatic defibrillator.



Dulcie Capper from Magpas receives a defibrillator from Andy Campbell from Stagecoach

The defibrillator automatically reads the patient's heart and knows when to shock in cases of cardiac arrest. It is a vital piece of equipment that has enabled the charity to train non-medical volunteers under the scheme so they can make a real difference in their local community.

The defibrillator presented by Stagecoach will be used in Needingworth. The local Magpas Community First Responder there, Dulcie Capper, said, "It is very

generous of Stagecoach to support our Magpas scheme in this way. The defibrillator is an essential part of our medical kit and can be the difference between life and death when people suffer a cardiac arrest.”

Andy Campbell, Managing Director of Stagecoach Cambridge said, “We are delighted to be able to help the charity. Their Community First Responders do wonderful work helping to save lives in the local community and Stagecoach is committed to supporting local good causes.”

Stagecoach provides a comprehensive network of local and interurban services in Cambridgeshire. They have a fleet of over 170 buses, around 70% of which are of the latest design with low floor access.

Magpas operates two lifesaving schemes. The Emergency Medical Team saves lives at the scenes of very serious road traffic accidents. They fly on the East Anglian Air Ambulance’s helicopter, Anglia Two. The Community First Responder scheme involves non-medical volunteers who the charity trains so they can save lives in their local community. There are now 35 Magpas groups across Cambridgeshire.

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