

Newsletter

Parish Newsletter – 4 June 2018

Update on adult social care transformation programme

Please find below an update on the progress of the Wiltshire Council adult social care transformation programme.

Phase one of the Adult Social Care Transformation is entering the implementation phase, A number of changes will be gradually introduced over the coming weeks and months which will significantly improve how we provide adult social care services.

We are improving the Help to Live at Home service and working towards a new framework contract to commission care services in October this year. As part of this, we will be creating and running a new Wiltshire Council reablement service. This service will work intensively with individuals to maximise their independence, learn new skills and increase confidence. A successful reablement approach enables people to remain living in their own homes for longer and reduces the need for long term domiciliary care.

We redesigned the front door service to ensure effective and timely advice and information is provided to our residents. This will work alongside a multi-agency response to support and safeguard adults. This is similar to the MASH model we have for children.

The repositioning of our service commissioning approaches and working closely with providers and customers in co-production, will inform future service specification which captures the way services are accessed and focused on need. Working with health partners on transformation improves outcomes for residents using services across the health and social care system.

There is a new adult social care team structure in place and the new-look service will be formally getting underway from 21 May. This will be led by a team of recently appointed heads of service.

They are as follows:

- Emma Townsend - head of service safeguarding, advice and contact
- Helen Henderson – head of service reablement
- Peter Twiggs – head of service ongoing support
- Margaret Ndlovu– head of service hospitals and integration

Each head of service reports to Emma Legg, director access and reablement.

Staff within the service are participating in detailed training and induction, to ensure the team are well equipped to deliver our top priority of supporting independent lives in thriving communities.

Having the right structure model in place is absolutely key to the success of our transformation programme and we're delighted to have such a skilled dedicated workforce in place.

Throughout this transition period, we are putting systems in place to minimise disruption for those who access our services. We will ensure to keep service users updated and informed on the work we're doing throughout the ongoing programme.

As partners in the wider system improvements to health and social care, I would like to thank you for your support and contribution to the transformation of the way services are delivered.

If you have any questions or want to know more about our new way of working, please contact Emma Legg at emma.legg@wiltshire.gov.uk.

We will keep you updated as our programme of work continues.

Kind regards,

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SRO for adult social care transformation

Campaign keeps children safe

Wiltshire Council is supporting national Child Safety Week from today (4 June) - 10 June this year.

The annual campaign promotes partnership between local authorities, fire and rescue services and children's services to help keep youngsters free from harm.

The Child Accident Prevention Trust, the charity which runs the campaign, offers advice to parents on how to avoid a variety of potential hazards including

- choking
- drowning
- swallowing small objects or harmful substances
- fire
- road accidents

More information is available on the Child Accident Prevention Trust website -

<https://www.capt.org.uk/>



Firm supports schools in partnership

Businesses across Wiltshire are doing their bit to build the workforce of the future by joining a ground-breaking partnership with schools.

The Be Involved scheme backed by Wiltshire Council and Swindon Borough Council - sees staff from firms in the county link up with teachers and students in their communities.

It is being offered on a wider scale following a successful trial which began in September last year.

Businesses can get involved in a number of ways:

- Offering apprenticeships, traineeships and supported internships.
- Sending speakers to schools to talk about their work.
- Offering advice to potential apprentices and trainees.
- Supporting careers events.
- Backing training and mentoring projects such as the Enterprise Adviser Network and Building Bridges.

When firms sign up with Be Involved, a member of Wiltshire Council's Employment and Skills service or Swindon Borough Council's Routes to Employment service will call to discuss how they can support the scheme.

To get in touch and find out more you can visit Work Wiltshire - <https://www.workwiltshire.co.uk/be-involved> or email workwilts@wiltshire.gov.uk

Wiltshire Council libraries celebrate National Bookstart Week

Wiltshire Council libraries are celebrating National Bookstart Week with rhyme times and other free fun activities to encourage families to read together.

The event, from 4-10 June, is an annual project launched by the reading charity, BookTrust. It gives every child in the country a free reading pack in the first year of their life and again when they are 3-4.

Wiltshire Council's Library Services run Bookstart in the county, ensuring that every child receives their book pack.

The theme this year is Bookstart Bird Boogie.

Children who attend library activities will receive a free copy of the picture book A Busy Day for Birds by Lucy Cousins. There are also activity sheets for children.

Many libraries will feature Bookstart Bird Boogie themes in their regular rhyme times, and some including Bradford on Avon and Trowbridge are holding special sessions.

Bradford on Avon library hosts a Baby Day on 6 June, with sessions including baby massage, baby yoga, advice from the Real Nappy Network and a health visitor drop-in. Some of these sessions need booking.

Trowbridge stages a story and rhyme time session for under-fives on 7 June followed by a colouring activity in their soft chill-out zone. Children are encouraged to dress in bright colours.

Families can visit their nearest library to find out more about their local National Bookstart Week event.



If families are unable to make it along to their local event they can join in the fun at home, with plenty of arts and crafts and games activities on the Bookstart website -

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/supporting-you/families/our-programmes/bookstart/>

Second site brought back into use as part of Salisbury's road to recovery

Salisbury ambulance station has been handed to the recovery coordinating group (RCG) by Defra following extensive testing and cleaning by specialist teams. The RCG has handed the site back to the South West Ambulance Trust, who will carry out remediation work required ahead of it reopening.

This site is the second to be handed to the recovery coordinating group, following The Maltings site on Monday (21 May) and is a significant step marking the recovery of Salisbury and business getting back to normal.

Other potentially affected sites in the city are being cleaned by specialist teams, including The Mill and Zizzi. Defra is overseeing the work based on expert advice from DSTL, PHE, DHSC and the Home Office, with the support of specially trained MOD personnel. The Skripal house is still under police investigation.

What's on



If you would like to promote an event in your area to staff and the wider public why not use the [events calendar](#) on our website. You can find the link to the calendar on the home page under ['What's on'](#).

Check what else is on at Wiltshire Music Centre in Bradford on Avon:

www.wiltshiremusic.org.uk and City Hall in Salisbury: www.cityhallsalisbury.co.uk

Quick links

Area Board information - www.wiltshire.gov.uk/communityandliving/areaboards.htm

All the latest news releases - www.wiltshire.gov.uk/latestnews.htm

A blog for the heritage community of Wiltshire - <https://heritageinwiltshire.wordpress.com>

Community virtual notice boards - www.wiltshire.gov.uk/ourcommunitymattersblogsites.htm

Recycle for Wiltshire - www.recycleforwiltshire.com

Roadworks - www.wiltshire.gov.uk/roadshighwayspavements/roadworks.htm

Tree wardens for Wiltshire - www.wiltshiretreewardens.co.uk

What's on in Wiltshire - www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisureandrecreation/whatson.htm

What's on at City Hall in Salisbury - www.cityhallsalisbury.co.uk

A blog for Wiltshire's arts community - <http://theartsinwiltshire.wordpress.com>

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