

November 2019

Celebrating our Community Cash Fund projects



We were delighted to hear from two of our brilliant <u>Community Cash Fund projects</u> at our recent Volunteer Support and Development Day. The <u>SPARK Festival of</u> <u>Wellbeing</u>, run by Pound Arts and Rewired Counselling, was held back in the summer, while Wiltshire Wildlife Trust's <u>Wellbeing at the Orchard project</u> came to a close earlier this month.

You can find out all about these projects, and the three others we're supporting, on our <u>website</u> - including the <u>Happy Hearts Dance Project</u>, which was designed to support people with learning disabilities to lead a more active and healthy lifestyle

Latest update charts our busy summer

healthwatch Wiltshire



July to September 2019

Find out what we did, where we went and the feedback we received between July and September 2019 in our latest Quarterly Report.

Highlights include our work on <u>dementia</u>, the launch of <u>Young Healthwatch Wiltshire</u>, our <u>military</u> <u>families project</u> and the work we're doing on the new GP Improved Access scheme.

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CCGs set to merge in April 2020



Three groups responsible for the planning, buying and monitoring of health services in Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire are to become a single organisation in April 2020.

The merger of these Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) has been supported by GP surgeries in the region and has been approved by NHS England and NHS Improvement.

Read more

Your Care Your Support website gets new look



Wiltshire Council's Your Care Your Support website, which focuses on adult care, has got a new look and a new link: <u>adults.wiltshire.gov.uk</u>. The website offers advice and information on topics such as things to do, help at home, carer support, and housing, as well as providing a directory of local services. The site is still being updated, so take a look and leave your feedback via the online form.

Visit the website

Survey asks military families for feedback



We've launched a survey to ask military families how they access GP surgeries, dental care, mental health, social care and other services.

This summer, 4,000 military personnel and their families relocated to Wiltshire from Germany. We want to find out how it has been for them finding new services and the continuity of care they have received. We also want to know how services in Wiltshire compare to where they have lived before.

Find out more

'I found it very inspiring'

With dementia a priority area for us over the last four years, our Engagement Lead Julie Brown talks about her involvement in the project in a new blog.

Find out more about her experiences and how your feedback has helped improve dementia services in

Wiltshire on our website.



Read more

Tell us your experiences of adult safeguarding



We're keen to hear from anyone who has been through the adult safeguarding process in Wiltshire to find out how the system has worked for you.

Please take part in our short survey to tell us about your experiences.

Take the survey

Dates for your diary



Skills Marketplace Calne Community Hub and Library, 12 November

Army Wives Coffee Morning St Andrew's Hall, Tidworth, 21 November

Carers' Rights Day event Melksham Town Hall, 21 November

Be Well Holistic Wellbeing event Devizes Corn Exchange, 24 November



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