

# Cambridgeshire Guide to Independent Living 2025

A guide to finding local information and support for older people, people with disabilities, and their carers

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# Welcome

Welcome to the Cambridgeshire Guide to Independent Living 2025, created in partnership with Care Choices.

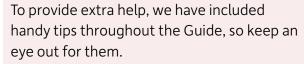
This Guide is packed full of useful information and has a user-friendly design. It provides details on care and support to help you maintain the best possible quality of life. Regardless of your age or ability, there are steps you can take to stay independent, safe, and well. Small lifestyle changes can make a significant difference and positively impact your daily life. There are numerous people, places, and activities that can help you continue doing what matters to you without needing professional care.

Cambridgeshire offers a wealth of excellent support. This Guide will help you explore your options and make informed choices. Discover the various forms of assistance available at your fingertips, including local activities, transport, equipment and adaptations, home support, council services, and much more.

Keep this Guide handy, perhaps by the phone, or

start filling in your action plan on page 6.

## Tip





## **Tip**

You might want to use this Guide on your own or ask a friend or family member to help you think things through:



- Browse the Guide to identify key areas of interest or support.
- Explore the suggestions to learn more about what matters to you.
- Use your action plan on page 6 to outline the steps you want to take and who to contact first.

Please be aware that the information in this Guide may be subject to change. For the latest updates on living independently in Cambridgeshire, please visit

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults





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## Everyone deserves uncompromising care. That's the passionate belief of the experts in our care homes.

That's why you'll find our people are well-trained in a variety of skills. They're dedicated people who want to celebrate life and improve wellbeing. And it's why support is given with kindness, respect and dignity.

These are the things that mean the most.

And because they matter to you, they matter to us.



## Call to arrange a visit or to find out how we can help:

Hickathrift House Care Home

217 Smeeth Road, Wisbech, PE14 8JB 01945 223 130

Hilton Park Care Home

Bottisham, Cambridge, CB25 9BX 01223 633 505

**Melbourn Springs Care Home** 

Hyacinth Drive, Royston, SG8 6FY

01763 722 320

Oaklands Care Home

Bottisham, Cambridge, CB25 9BX 01223 633 504

**Rose Lodge Care Home** 

Walton Road, Wisbech, PE13 3EP 01945 223 132

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# My action plan

This Guide's purpose is to help support you to live independently and continue doing what you enjoy. Use your action plan to note down the steps you

want to take, including useful resources. Then, follow your plan to get support that is right for you and your family.

## Things you would like to achieve

This could be one or many things – try to list everything that is important to you.

| 1. What would you like to be able to achieve? This could be making a change, doing more of what you enjoy, having more time to spend with friends and family, or giving back to your community. | 2. If achieved, what difference would this make to your life?   |  |  |  |
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| Use the list that you have written to find some option:   | s   |  |  |  |
| This could be one thing, or many things – try to list ever  | ything that is important to you.  |  |  |  |
| 3. Write down anything you already have in place to help, for example, family, other support networks, or solutions that you arrange for yourself.  | 5. What other options have you identified from this Guide that you might want to talk through with other people and ask them to help arrange? Where can I get help? List websites, advice from friends and family, or page numbers of this Guide. |  |  |  |
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| 4. Write down the help and support that friends,  |   |  |  |  |
| family members, or local community groups could give you.   |   |  |  |  |
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|   | For more support to help you live independently, visit  |  |  |  |
|   | www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults  |  |  |  |

# Getting out and about

## **Travelling**

Staying active is not just about physical exercise; it is also about staying connected with people and places, feeling productive, and contributing to society. There are various transport and mobility services available to help you get out and about and doing things that matter to you.

Cycling

Cambridgeshire is one of the best places in the country for cycling. It is relatively flat and boasts an extensive cycling network suitable for all ages and abilities. For more information and cycling route maps, visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Cycling').

Cycling can be a practical means of transport as well as a fun way to exercise and socialise. There are many different bikes, including options for people with disabilities.

Wheels for Wellbeing has created a 'Guide to Inclusive Cycling' available at www.wheelsforwellbeing.org.uk/ our-campaigns/campaigning/guide

### Learning to drive

Many people with disabilities drive, and there are various modifications available to make your driving or travelling experience as comfortable as possible.

If you want to learn to drive, the **Disability Driving Instructors**' website has an online register of specialist driving instructors. Visit **disabilitydrivinginstructors.com** 

## Check if a health condition affects your driving

Certain medical conditions can impact your ability to drive and you need to inform DVLA about them. You can find a list of these conditions at

www.gov.uk/health-conditions-and-driving

You can voluntarily surrender your licence to DVLA if:

- Your doctor advises you to stop driving for three months or more.
- Your medical condition affects your ability to drive safely for three months or more.

 You do not meet the required medical standards for safe driving due to your medical condition.

You may be able to regain your driving licence if you meet the necessary medical standards of fitness.

## Having your own transport

Having your own vehicle is essential for many individuals seeking independence. The Motability Scheme offers a cost-effective and hassle-free solution to lease a car or accessible vehicle.

## **Motability Scheme**

Web: www.motability.co.uk

Tel: 0300 456 4566

## **Parking**

A Blue Badge is a parking permit for individuals who are registered blind, severely sight impaired, have a 'hidden' disability, or severe mobility issues. While Blue Badges cannot be issued to relatives or carers, you can use it in any car you are travelling in, whether you are the driver or passenger.

If you hold a Blue Badge, you may be eligible for a Disabled Parking Bay. For more details, visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** and search 'Disabled parking bay'.

Visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk (search 'Blue badges') or call **0345 045 5204**.

## Travelling by bus

Depending on your age and circumstances, you might be eligible for an older or disabled person's bus pass.

Both passes allow for free off-peak travel on any local bus in England, including London. In Cambridgeshire, this means free travel from Monday to Friday after 9:30am until the last bus, and all day on weekends and bank holidays.

For more information, visit www.transport. cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk or call 01223 740149.

## → Tip

Stagecoach offers 'Journey Assistance
Cards' to help you communicate your needs
to the bus driver. These cards make it easier for
you to get the extra help you need. Visit

www.stagecoachbus.com/promos-and-offers/ national/journey-assistance-cards

## Travelling by train

A railcard offers discounts on rail fares. To find out about the available railcards, including the Disabled Person's or Senior Railcard for people aged 60 and above, visit **www.railcard.co.uk** 

If you are travelling by **National Rail**, you can plan your journey using the information provided for disabled passengers at **www.nationalrail.co.uk** and search 'Accessible Train Travel'.

To book passenger assistance, you only need to contact one train company. It will arrange assistance for your entire journey.

## Tip

There are many ways to request assistance:



- Use the Passenger Assistance app. It helps you make assistance requests. Visit www.nationalrail.co.uk/help-andassistance/passenger-assistance-app
- Contact Passenger Assistance on 0800 022 3720 (select option 1) or text 60083 (Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm).
- Textphone or minicom is available for deaf or hard of hearing individuals at 0845 60 50 600.
- Visit www.passengerassistance.com for more information.

### **Community transport**

Provides journeys for people who have difficulty using public transport. Most community transport schemes are for people who:

- Do not have access to public transport or their own car.
- Find using public transport difficult. For example, because of a disability or age.
- Are socially or rurally isolated from accessing basic public services and facilities, such as healthcare.

For information about local schemes, contact the Community Transport team.

Email: community.transport@ cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk

 $www.transport.cambridge shire peter borough-\\ ca.gov.uk/community-transport$ 

Tel: 07874 861259

## Obtaining a wheelchair

Mobility shops offer a variety of manual and electric wheelchairs. Alternatively, your GP or health worker can refer you to the local NHS wheelchair service to determine if you qualify for an NHS wheelchair. Current users of the NHS wheelchair service should contact AJM Healthcare Ltd for re-assessment, reviews, appointments, or general enquiries.

## **AJM HealthCare**

Email:

cambridgeandpeterborough@ajmhealthcare.org Web: www.cambridgeshireandpeterborough. wheelchair.services

Tel: 0808 169 9633

## **Shopmobility**

Shopmobility can lend you a wheelchair or scooter to assist with shopping and using local facilities. Most major shopping areas in Cambridgeshire have a Shopmobility scheme.

## **Cambridge City Centre Shopmobility**

Email: carparks@cambridge.gov.uk
Web: www.cambridge.gov.uk/shopmobility
Tel: 01223 461858 (Grafton East car park).
Tel: 01223 457452 (Grand Arcade car park).

## **Huntingdonshire Shopmobility**

Email: **shopmobility@huntsforum.org.uk** Web: **https://huntingdonshire.gov.uk** (search 'Shopmobility').

Tel: **01480 432793** 

## **Peterborough Shopmobility**

Email: info@disabilitypeterborough.org Web:

www.queensgate-shopping.co.uk/shopmobility

Tel: **01733 265551** (Queensgate).

# Local activities and groups you can join

Engaging in your favourite activities and getting to know others in your community can significantly enhance your wellbeing, regardless of ability. To find events, activities, groups, clubs, and organisations near you, visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Connect with your local community').

The Cambridgeshire Directory offers online listings of events, groups, organisations, and clubs across the county. Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (select 'Local directory').

#### **Tip**

To help you get started, here are some questions to consider when thinking about the types of activities that might interest you:



- Do you have any hobbies that you want to do more of?
- Would you like to try something new?
- Would you like to meet people who have similar experiences and interests?
- How regularly do you want to participate in activities?

## **Cambridgeshire Libraries**



Cambridgeshire Libraries

are open to everyone and free to join. Libraries can

provide information about public services and local support. They are a carer-friendly organisation and can signpost people in need to where they can find assistance.

Libraries provide many resources, including large print and audiobooks for people with visual impairments. They also offer dementia resources and hold free or inexpensive events and activities. With your library membership, you can access a wide range of eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines,

eNewspapers, and online references.

Some libraries offer one-to-one basic computer skills sessions with a Digital Buddy. You can also borrow a laptop or tablet to use at home.

If you have difficulty visiting a library, use the Mobile Library Service or apply for the Library at Home Service. Contact Cambridgeshire Libraries for more information.

Email: your.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Web: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk
(select 'Libraries'). • Tel: 0345 045 5225

## **Social Connections**

## **Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough**

provides a weekly volunteer visiting service called Sharing Time which offers friendship and support to isolated older people who are at risk of feeling lonely.

There are day centres across the county which offer further opportunities to socialise with others who may be isolated or to give their carer time to themselves. Hot meals, entertainment, and access to transport can be provided.

**Community Wardens**, available in various parts of the county, can offer support in the form of regular

visits and phone calls to check on wellbeing and carry out small tasks in the homes of older people, helping them remain independent.

Email infoandadvice@ageukcap.org.uk, visit www.ageuk.org.uk/ cambridgeshireandpeterborough or call 0300 666 9860 for more information.

The Silver Line is a national, free, and confidential helpline providing information, friendship, and advice to people aged 55 and over. Available all day, every day. • Web: www.thesilverline.org.uk
Tel: 0800 470 8090

## → Setting up a new group

If you are interested in starting a group, the organisations below can provide information and support to help set up a new group.

**CCVS** – covering Cambridge City, South Cambridgeshire, and Fenland.

Email: enquiries@cambridgecvs.org.uk Web: https://cambridgecvs.org.uk

Tel: 07935 649805

## **Hunts Forum of Voluntary Organisations**

Email: info@huntsforum.org.uk Web: https://huntsforum.org.uk

Tel: **01480 420601** 

## **Voluntary Community Action East Cambs (VCAEC)**

Email: volunteers@vcaec.org.uk

Web: https://vcaec.org.uk • Tel: 01353 666166



## Tip

If you cannot go online, local library staff can help. Pop into your local library to use a computer, and library staff can help you. Libraries also offer free internet that you can access using your devices. For more information see page 9.

## **Community Navigators**

A gateway to information and services in your local area, Care Network's local experts work alongside you, providing information and guidance to help you consider your options and live well. Whether you're looking for some help at home, access to shopping, transport, or information on social groups or local activities you'd like to try, Community Navigators know what is available in your area.

They work with all adults over 18 in Cambridgeshire, in lots of different circumstances – sharing free and independent information about your options.

Community Navigators work closely with health and social care professionals, along with other local organisations, to help you find a clear path to information and support when you need it.

## **Cambridge City**

Email: city.navigators@care-network.org.uk
Tel: 01223 300460

### **East Cambridgeshire**

Email:

eastcambs.navigators@care-network.org.uk
Tel: 01353 659639

## **Fenland**

Email: fens.navigators@care-network.org.uk

Tel: **01354 695208** 

## **Huntingdonshire**

Email: hunts.navigators@care-network.org.uk

Tel: **01480 775493** 

## **South Cambridgeshire**

Email:

south cambs. navigators @ care-network. or g.uk

Tel: **01954 212100** 

The Care Network Wellbeing service provides one-to-one support to help improve your mood and manage stress, enable you to handle concerns, and build your confidence and independence. To discuss how you can be supported, call 03300 945750 or email wellbeing@care-network.org.uk



# Learning, employment, and volunteering

Adults aged 19+ can enrol on both tailored learning and accredited courses. Delivered throughout Cambridgeshire and online, you

will find a wide range of opportunities available to help you develop your skills and support you in employment.

## **Cambridgeshire Skills**

## CAMBRIDGESHIRE SKILLS

A countywide adult learning service that can help you

develop the employment skills and knowledge you need. It also offers a free careers advice service. Cambridgeshire Skills runs courses designed to improve your wellbeing and mental health.

At Cambridgeshire Skills we understand that adult learners have unique needs and circumstances. We are committed to providing a supportive and inclusive learning environment that caters to your specific needs.

Email: cambsals@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Web: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/
adults/cambridgeshire-skills-adult-learning
Tel: 01353 613013

Scan the following QR code to access more information about Cambridgeshire Skills.



## **Employment**

If you are over 18 and have a disability, your local Jobcentre Plus can provide advice and information on finding a job, as well as details on various programmes and funding that may be available. An Access to Work grant can cover practical support if you have a disability, physical health condition, or mental health condition. This grant can help you start and stay in work or even start a business. For more information, visit

www.gov.uk/access-to-work

The Individual Placement and Support (IPS) service assists people with mental health conditions in finding and maintaining paid employment. IPS can help you write a CV, cover letter and fill out applications. It can also help you prepare for job interviews and access benefits advice. The service ensures that your health and work goals are aligned and that plans are made to support you at work.

Email: ipsreferrals@cpft.nhs.uk

Web: www.cpft.nhs.uk/service-detail/service/individual-placement-and-support-ips-18

Tel: 01733 748484

For more support and advice to help disabled people find and stay in work, visit **www.gov.uk** and search 'Help and support for young disabled people'.



## **Volunteering**

There are five volunteer centres in Cambridgeshire that can answer your questions and help you find a variety of opportunities.

#### **CCVS**

Web: https://cambridgecvs.org.uk

Voluntary and Community Action for East Cambridgeshire

Web: https://vcaec.org.uk

**Volunteer Centre Fenland** 

Web: https://fenlandvc.org.uk

## **Volunteer Centre Huntingdonshire**

Web: https://huntsvc.org.uk

## **Volunteer Centre Peterborough**

Web: www.pcvs.co.uk/volunteering-centre

## Tip

Timebanking is a way for local people to come together and volunteer by exchanging knowledge, help, and skills. For more information, visit https://supportcambridgeshire.

org.uk/volunteering/timebanking

## Social training enterprises

Provide vocational training activities for people with disabilities or complex needs. These learning opportunities include social skills, personal development, independent living, careers advice, and nationally recognised qualifications. Research the following services to find out more about what they offer.

## **Branching Out**

Web: https://branchingoutuk.com

Tel: **01353 863221** 

#### **Burwell Print Centre**

Email: info@burwellprint.co.uk
Web: www.burwellprint.co.uk

Tel: **01638 613102** 

#### **Camtrust**

Email: info@camtrust.co.uk Web: https://camtrust.co.uk

Tel: 01223 236786

#### **Darwin Nurseries**

Email: darwin.nurseries@cpft.nhs.uk
Web: www.cpft.nhs.uk/darwinnurseries

Tel: **01223 293911** 



#### www.myfamilyourneeds.co.uk

For parents and carers of children with additional needs and those who support them.

#### Eddie's

Email: info@eddies.org.uk
Web: https://eddies.org.uk

Tel: **01223 883130** 

## **Footprints Café**

Web: www.facebook.com/ footprintscafesawston Tel: 01223 839323

## **OWL Bikes Papworth Trust**

Email: owlbikes@papworthtrust.org.uk
Web: www.papworthtrust.org.uk/owl-bikes

Tel: **01223 839580** 

#### **Prospects Trust**

Email: enquiries@prospectstrust.org.uk Web: https://prospectstrust.org.uk

Tel: **01638 741551** 

#### Red2Green

Email: info@red2green.org
Web: https://red2green.org

Tel: **01223 811662 •** SMS: **07451 283333** 

## **Rowan Humberstone**

Email: info@rowanhumberstone.co.uk
Web: www.rowanhumberstone.co.uk

Tel: **01223 566027** 

## **Social Training Enterprise Group**

Web: www.steng.org.uk

# Looking after someone who could not manage without your help and support

You may be reading this Guide because you are a carer, or you know someone who is. Being a carer can be rewarding – but it is also very hard work. Caring is a stressful role, and it is important to think about your own mental and physical health and emotional wellbeing as well as the person you care for.

Support is available for anyone who cares for someone else, whether you would call yourself a

carer or not. This support can help make your caring role easier, and it can free up more time for you to take care of yourself so that you can continue caring.

## Tip

If you are a carer, you can use the action plan on page 6 to help you and the person you care for understand how you can best support yourselves.



## Information and support for adult carers

In this Guide, there is a lot of advice on how to get out and about in the community on page 7. Page 22 is full of tips about how to adapt the home of the person you are caring for to support them to stay independent, safe, and well.

Support available for carers includes practical help, such as equipment, modifications, or alterations to the home. It can also include emotional support, access to exercise, learning opportunities or social activities, advocacy, and even short breaks.

There is also lots of support in Cambridgeshire for adult carers themselves, including local organisations and voluntary groups.

Caring for a family member, friend, or neighbour can be tough and it's difficult to find help when you are busy. It's easy to feel lost and a little alone as a carer. Signing up to Bridgit Care's self-help platform could offer you help and support in your caring role.



It brings together all the information you may need into one place, providing you with tools and resources to create personalised self-care plans, access local events and find support tailored to you. You can also access NHS Health Advice, Financial Support and other important information.

For more information visit https://bridgit.care/support/ or scan the QR code. If you cannot go online, call Caring Together on the number below.



#### **Caring Together**

Provides information, advice, and guidance for adult carers. It also offers a vast range of support including flexible breaks, carers' emergency planning, training, and peer support groups.

Email: hello@caringtogether.org
Web: www.caringtogether.org
Tel: 0345 241 0954

## **Making Space**

Supports people who care for someone aged 18-65 with a mental health condition. It offers someone for you to talk to, someone who can speak on your behalf, and help with the complex needs of the person you care for.

Email: enquiries@makingspace.co.uk
Web: https://makingspace.co.uk

Tel: **01480 211006** 



→ If you need additional support to continue your caring role, you may be eligible for support from Cambridgeshire County Council. The council will offer advice and guidance to help you with your caring responsibilities and help you look after your own wellbeing.

The council may also do a more in-depth carers' assessment to understand what is important to you,

and your needs. This will focus on the outcomes you want to achieve to help maintain your wellbeing.

Carers' assessments are available even if the person you care for does not get any help from the council.

## Visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults/looking-after-someone

If the person that you care for requires care and support to meet their needs, see page 56.

## Planning for an emergency

It is important to make sure that the person you care for is kept safe even if you are not able to be there for them. The What If? Plan provides emergency support to the person you care for, should you be unable to because of a sudden illness, accident, or other unplanned event.

It is a free service funded by Cambridgeshire County Council to look after adults with care needs during an emergency involving their family carer. As a carer, you can register a What If? Plan and apply for an emergency card.

Emergency support is provided by contacting your nominated contacts for you, with essential back-up support from professional carers available, if required. It operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. You can register for this service at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults/looking-after-someone

## Information and support for young carers

Some young people help to look after someone in their family. It could be someone with a disability or a long-term physical or mental health condition, or regular drug or alcohol use. Taking on levels of responsibility that may not be appropriate for your age can have a significant impact on your physical health and wellbeing, your access to education, and your future opportunities.

There are lots of people you can ask for help including your school's Young Carers Champion or a teacher you trust. To find out more, visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Young carers').

Centre 33 provides specialist support and advice to young carers. It helps young carers meet each other, supports them in their education settings, and helps with the transition to adult services. Centre 33 assesses individual needs to identify additional support you may be eligible for and can help you to access this support.

Email: hello@centre33.org.uk Web: https://centre33.org.uk

Tel: 0333 414 1809



## www.cambridgeshirecarehome.co.uk



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## Freephone 0808 1969750

To find out more about The Cambridgeshire Care Home, contact Yvonne Quigley, Customer Relations Manager

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## **Parent carers**

For parents or carers looking after children and young people with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND), the

Cambridgeshire SEND Information
Hub contains a wealth of
information, advice, and support.
Visit send.cambridgeshire.gov.uk



Cambridgeshire County Council's Child and Family Centres offer events, activities, parenting courses, help, and support for families. They also offer outreach events and activities. Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Child and family centres').

The council's Family Hubs provide access to services and support families including Child and Family Centres, Start for Life, Early Help, and Family Information services. Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Family hubs').

**Caring Together** supports all different types of carers, including parent carers. For more information, visit its dedicated parent carer webpage.

Email: hello@caringtogether.org

Web: www.caringtogether.org/support-for-

carers/parent-carers Tel: **0345 241 0954**  Making Space offers support to carers (including parent carers) of adults (18-64) who have a mental health need living in Cambridgeshire.

# Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Carer Support Service

Suite 4 The Stables, The Shrubbery, Church Street, St. Neots PE19 2BU

Email: enquiries@makingspace.co.uk Web:

https://www.makingspace.co.uk/carers/carers Tel: 01480 211006

**Pinpoint** is Cambridgeshire's Parent Carer Forum and offers information and support to parent carers of children and young people from birth to age 25 with SEND and/or additional needs. It offers parent carers opportunities to have a say and get involved in improving local services.

Email: information@pinpoint-cambs.org.uk
Web: https://pinpoint-cambs.org.uk

Tel: **01480 877333** 

**SEND Information, Advice and Support Service** (SENDIASS) offers impartial and confidential information, advice, and support to parents and carers who have a child with Special Educational Needs and/or a disability (SEND) or have concerns that their child has SEND. Visit

**send.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'SENDIASS').

## Financial support for carers

Carer's Allowance is paid at a standard rate. You might be eligible if you:

- Are aged 16 or over.
- Spend at least 35 hours a week caring for someone.
- Have lived in England, Scotland, or Wales for at least two of the last three years.
- Aren't either in full-time education or earning more than £151 a week after tax and expenses.

Before an application for Carer's Allowance is made, it is a good idea for you to check with the person you are caring for, as it might affect their benefit payments.

Carer's Premium is an extra payment per week that can sometimes be added into the calculation of other means-tested benefits you might get on top of Carer's Allowance.

#### Tip

If you are a carer and are not in receipt of these benefits, but think you may be eligible, visit



www.gov.uk/browse/benefits/help-for-carers

To check your eligibility for benefits, visit www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators or call Citizens Advice on 0800 144 8848.

# Keeping healthy and well

Staying healthy is crucial for living an active and independent life. Regardless of your abilities and circumstances, there are many ways to improve your health, such as changing your diet, exercising more, or giving up harmful habits like smoking.

**Be Well in Cambridgeshire** offers advice to help you maintain a healthy lifestyle and keep well. Visit **www.bewellcambridgeshire.co.uk** 

How Are You (H.A.Y) Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is a group of websites developed and managed by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT), bringing together everything in the local community that boosts wellbeing. Visit

https://haycambspboro.co.uk

The **NHS Live Well** website contains advice about healthy living, including eating a balanced diet, exercising, quitting smoking, and drinking less alcohol. Visit **www.nhs.uk/live-well** 

## **Healthy You**

The service provides local, friendly, and low-cost physical activity sessions across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to support you to improve your health. It offers a range of sessions including wellbeing walks, seated activities, walking sports, strength and balance classes, online sessions, and healthy eating advice. You can find out more from the **Healthy You** website, speak to your GP to get referred, or contact your local Healthy You Coordinator. Visit

https://healthyyou.org.uk

**Healthy You** offers free and local stop smoking and alcohol reduction services. Stop smoking specialists can help you achieve your goal of giving up smoking through a combination of one-to-one support and medication. Alcohol Health Trainers can support you to understand

and start fixing your relationship with alcohol.

An Eastern European Health Trainer Service is available for anyone with an Eastern European background wanting to make healthy lifestyle changes. The service endeavours to be in your native language and if our Health Trainers do not speak your language, translator services will be used.

## **Drugs and alcohol support**

Change Grow Live (CGL) provides a range of support options for adults living in Cambridgeshire who are struggling with drug and alcohol issues. CGL Cambridgeshire has three fixed sites which offer advice, support, and specialist treatment. Satellite clinics are available across Cambridgeshire.

## Cambridge

Mill House, Mill Road CB1 3DF Email: cambridgeshirereferrals@cgl.org.uk

Tel: **0300 555 0101** (option one).

## Huntingdon

Hartford House, 2 Hartford Road PE29 3PB Email: cambridgeshirereferrals@cgl.org.uk Tel: 0300 555 0101 (option two).

#### Wisbech

Inspiration House, Church Terrace PE13 1BW Email: **cambridgeshirereferrals@cgl.org.uk** Tel: **0300 555 0101** (option three).

For more information, visit

https://changegrowlive.org/drug-alcoholservice-cambridgeshire

## **Cambridgeshire Recovery Service**

This is a community-based hub of support groups, creative workshops, and wellbeing classes throughout Cambridgeshire supporting individuals recovering from drug and/or alcohol addiction. For more information, visit

www.cambsrecoveryservice.co.uk

## Your mental health and wellbeing

Everyone experiences challenging times, and sometimes these difficulties impact our daily lives, making it hard to cope. Your GP should be your initial

point of contact for mental health and wellbeing concerns. They can discuss your issues and recommend the appropriate treatment for you.

→ If your low mood is affecting your wellbeing, you can talk to a Mental Health Trainer from **Healthy You**. Freephone **0333 005 0093** or text 'Healthyu' to **60777**. If you are in a mental health crisis, call **111** (select option two). Specially trained mental health staff are available all day, every day.

The Psychological Wellbeing Service is a self-referral service, part of the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) initiative by the NHS. This service aims to make psychological or talking therapies more accessible to people experiencing common mental health conditions. To self-refer, visit www.cpft.nhs.uk/self-refer-here or call 0300 300 0055.

## Other services available in Cambridgeshire

Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, and South Lincolnshire Mind

Email: enquiries@cpslmind.org.uk

Web: www.cpslmind.org.uk

Tel: **0300 303 4363** 

## **Cruse Bereavement Support**

Web: **www.cruse.org.uk** Tel: **0808 808 1677** 

### **Keep Your Head**

Web: https://keep-your-head.com

#### Lifecraft

Web: https://lifecraft.org.uk

Tel: 01223 566957 or 0808 808 2121 (helpline).

#### **Making Space**

Email: enquiries@makingspace.co.uk

Web:

https://www.makingspace.co.uk/carers/carers

Tel: **01480 211006** 

#### **MindEd for Families**

Web:

https://mindedforfamilies.org.uk/older-people

#### **Rethink**

Email: info@rethink.org
Web: https://rethink.org
Tel: 0808 801 0525

## Wellbeing - Care Network

Email: wellbeing@care-network.org.uk
Web: https://care-network.org.uk/wellbeing/

Tel: **0330 094 5750** 

## **Help for the Armed Forces Community**

Defined as Serving (Regular and Reserve), Veterans, their Families and the Bereaved.

#### **Forces Connect**

The Forces Connect app and website

(www.forcesconnect.co.uk) contain information to support the aims of the Armed Forces Covenant and promote a greater understanding and awareness of the issues affecting the Armed Forces Community within public services across Cambridgeshire. The app provides an easy-to-use and comprehensive directory of valuable contacts and information, for those seeking help. The app and website are free to use, and registration is not required.

## Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Armed Forces Covenant Partnership website

The C&P Covenant Partnership website (https://cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk/afc), developed by the Cambridgeshire Armed Forces Covenant Partnership, provides support, signposting and information for the Armed Forces Community in Cambridgeshire & Peterborough.

Within the site, you will be able to find;

- Links to local and national support.
- Information on how different organisations can become involved.
- Information about what we are doing to support the Armed Forces Community.
- Information about the C&P Armed Forces Covenant Partnership Board.
- News articles about events and support for the Armed Forces Community.
- Toolkits and document library to provide further support and information.

#### **Veteran Support**

All veterans, service leavers, non-mobilised reservists, and their family members and carers can access a range of specialist healthcare and support created to provide

treatment and care for many different problems, these include:

 Op COURAGE: The Veterans Mental Health and Wellbeing Service.  Op RESTORE: The Veterans Physical Health and Wellbeing Service.

For further information and additional services, visit **nhs.uk** and search 'Veterans'.

## **Social Prescribers**

Working alongside GPs and other members of the primary health team. You can ask your GP to refer you to a Social Prescriber or NHS Link Worker if you would like to have a conversation about 'what matters to you'.

Social Prescribers can help you find community support and services to improve your wealth and wellbeing; including volunteering, group activities,

healthy lifestyles information, legal advice, and debt counselling.

Social Prescribing can help you to have more control over your health and find ways to improve how you feel in a way that suits you. Visit **www.england.nhs. uk/personalisedcare/social-prescribing** or contact your GP practice.

## **Health And Wellbeing Coaches**

This service supports people to increase their motivation levels, ability to self-manage, and commitment to change their lifestyle. The coaches are experts in behaviour change and focus on improving health-related outcomes by working with people to set personalised goals. They help people with physical and/or mental health conditions and those at risk of developing them.

Health and Wellbeing Coaches can be an

effective intervention for people experiencing a range of long-term conditions, including respiratory, cardiovascular (including type 2 diabetes and hypertension), and stress/low mood. They can also support people with weight management, diet, and increasing activity levels. Health and Wellbeing Coaches work as part of the Primary Care Team at your local GP practice. Health coaching can be on a one-to-one basis or part of a group session.

## Regular health checks

Routine health checks can help identify health problems early when they are easier to treat, enabling you to make the best choices for your health and wellbeing. People with learning disabilities often experience poorer physical and mental health than others.

A Learning Disability Annual Health Check can help address this by discussing your health and identifying any issues early, ensuring you receive the right care. To arrange a health check, contact your GP. For more information, visit

## www.nhs.uk/conditions/nhs-health-check

#### **Vaccinations**

It is important to stay up to date with all your vaccinations. If you are eligible for a free flu vaccination, you can book an appointment at your GP surgery or a pharmacy that offers it on the NHS. Some people may be eligible for both the flu and COVID-19 booster vaccinations, and it is safe to receive them at the same time. For more information on vaccinations, visit **www.nhs.uk/vaccinations** 

## **NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough**

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough ICS (Integrated Care System) brings together NHS organisations and other local providers to promote,

support, and improve the health and wellbeing of local people and communities. For more information, visit **cpics.org.uk** 

## → Choosing the right treatment for your health and medical needs

#### Self-care

Cough, cold, small cuts, sore throat

Many common illnesses and injuries can be managed at home. For health advice, you can visit **nhs.uk** or call NHS **111**.

## Pharmacy

Aches and pains, rashes, teething, medicine issues

Pharmacists can advise and treat a wide range of symptoms.

## **GP** surgery

Vomiting, arthritis, asthma, low mood

General Practitioners (GPs) and nurses are available to assist with a variety of health concerns. To access their services, you must be registered with a GP surgery and schedule an appointment.

For more information about your local pharmacy and GP surgery, visit www.nhs.uk

## **Minor injuries**

Small fractures, minor burns, cuts, fever

Visit one of the following Minor Injuries Units (MIU).

## **Ely MIU**

Princess of Wales Hospital, Lynn Road, Ely CB6 1DN Opening hours: 8.30am to 6.00pm, Monday to Sunday, including bank holidays (closed on Christmas Day).

Tel: **01353 772500** 

## **Doddington MIU**

Doddington Hospital, Benwick Road, March PE15 OUG Opening hours: 8.30am to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday. 9.00am to 5.00pm, weekends and bank holidays (closed on Christmas Day).

Tel: 01354 637078

## Wisbech (MIU)

North Cambridgeshire Hospital, Wisbech PE13 3AB Opening hours: 8.30am to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday (closed on weekends and bank holidays, including Christmas Day).

Tel: **01945 468787** 

#### St. Neots Walk-in Centre

24 Moore's Walk, St. Neots PE19 1AG Opening hours: 8.00am to 9.00am and 6.00pm to 8.00pm, Monday to Friday. Weekends, 9.00am to 4.00pm (Closed Christmas Day and Easter Sunday).

Tel: **01480 219317** 

#### A&E/999

Severe bleeding, loss of consciousness, severe chest pain, major trauma

**A&E** and **999** should be used for serious or life-threatening emergencies only. If you are unsure whether to visit A&E, NHS **111** can offer expert advice and guidance for non-life-threatening injuries.

## **NHS App**

The **NHS** App is a simple and secure way to access a range of NHS services on your smartphone or tablet. To use it, you must be aged 13 or over and registered with a GP surgery in England. With the NHS App, you

can order repeat prescriptions, book appointments, check your symptoms, view your medical record, and more. For more information, visit

https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-app

# Staying independent at home

As people's abilities and situations change, most prefer to continue living in their own homes. There are many ways to maintain your independence and stay in your home for as long as possible. This might involve changing how you do certain tasks or trying new approaches.

## South Cambridgeshire Mobile and Community Wardens

Mobile and Community Warden schemes can benefit anyone in need of social contact, companionship, and a little bit of extra support at home. Wardens provide a familiar face, offering a listening ear and supporting you to stay in your community for longer. They are also valuable support if you are returning from a stay in hospital and can offer reassurance to families who are not able to visit regularly.

Regular, weekly visits are provided as well as short-term support, all for a relatively low cost. Help provided could include picking up prescriptions, going to the Post Office, reading post, filling in forms, and making phone calls.

## Mobile warden schemes operating within South Cambridgeshire

# **Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Community** covering:

- Fen Drayton and Lolworth, Girton, Histon and Impington, Linton, Longstanton.
- Papworth Everard including Bourn,
   Caldecote, Comberton, Hardwick, Toft and Wimpole.
- Sawston including Whittlesford, Pampisford, Duxford, Hinxton and Ickleton.
- Small Villages (consisting of Balsham, Castle Camps, Horseheath, Shudy Camps, West Wickham, West Wratting and Weston Colville).

 Stapleford, Swavesey, Waterbeach (covering Chittering and Landbeach), Willingham and Over.

Email: wardens@ageukcap.org.uk Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/ cambridgeshireandpeterborough and search 'Community Wardens'. Tel: 07812 496004 / 07944 181307

### Cottenham

Email: patnpete.robertson@ntlworld.com Tel: 01954 200080

#### **Great Shelford**

Web: www.shelfordwardenscheme.org Tel: 01223 845367

**Melbourn and District** covering Barrington, Grantchester, Harston, Haslingfield, Hauxton, Melbourn, Meldreth, Shepreth and Orwell.

Email: secretary@mmws.org.uk
Tel: 07808 735066

## Milton

Email: miltoncarewarden@outlook.com Web: www.facebook.com/ miltoncommunitycarescheme

Tel: **07518 026870** 

**Litlington**, **The Mordens**, covering Guilden Morden and Steeple Morden, and Bassingbourn.

Email: geoffkharper@gmail.com

Tel: **01763 853845** 

## Staying steady on your feet

Falls are not an inevitable part of getting older — much can be done to keep you stronger for longer. Remaining active and doing simple strength and balance exercises at least twice a week is one of the most effective ways of keeping you strong and steady. Visit

www.bewellcambridgeshire.co.uk/your-healthand-wellbeing/stay-stronger-for-longer

Take the interactive Steady on Your Feet falls risk checker to understand your personal risk factors for falling and the simple things you can do to stay mobile, independent, and doing the things you enjoy. Visit https://cambridgeshire-and-peterborough.steadyonyourfeet.org

## Healthy You Falls Prevention Health Trainer Service

For advice on reducing your chance of falling or to sign up to the free Falls Management Exercise (FaME) programme, visit

https://healthyyou.org.uk/services/fallsprevention or call the team on 0333 005 0093.

## **Care Together**

Cambridgeshire County Council is changing the way it supports people. This is based upon public feedback about how the council can help you to stay living in your own home for as long as possible, doing the things you want to do in your community. Care Together is helping to set up and expand local groups, activities, and services, including Care Micro-Enterprises, providing all kinds of care and support services to people in their local community.

For more information about how **Care Together** can strengthen the support and opportunities in your community, or if you are interested in becoming a Care Micro-Enterprise yourself, visit

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/communities/care-together, call 01223 706100 or email care.together@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

You can also follow Care Together on Facebook at 'Care Together – Cambridgeshire County Council'.

## Equipment to keep you independent, safe, and well

Many people use various types of equipment to help them stay independent, safe, and well in their homes. This can include items like a kettle tipper for making hot drinks, a shower seat for bathing, or light bulbs that automatically turn on when you get out of bed.

There are also devices designed to keep your home safe, such as smoke detectors or temperature regulators. With advances in technology, there is now a wide range of easy-to-use and affordable equipment available, allowing you to find the best solutions for your needs.

Everyday items and technology can also be helpful,

such as reminder apps on smartphones or wide-handled cutlery. Most of this equipment can be found at high street and online retailers, or your local pharmacy.

Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Equipment and technology').

#### Tip

Cambridgeshire Libraries offer free ferrule replacement to walking-aid users. Library staff will help to check the rubbery cap at the bottom of the walking aid. If it is worn, staff members will help replace it. Ask library staff for more information.

## Adaptations to your home

If equipment alone is not providing enough support, you can make various adaptations to your home. These might include installing stair lifts, grab rails or large ramps, converting a bath to a shower, or adding a downstairs toilet. Many people find that these changes make daily activities easier, allowing them to stay in their own home and maintain their independence.

**Safe + Well Cambridgeshire** is run by NRS Healthcare and supported by Cambridgeshire County Council. It provides information, advice, and a range of equipment and devices that you can purchase to help with everyday tasks. Visit **www.safeandwell.co.uk/cambridgeshire** or call **01480 415719**.

**Age UK** has information on making changes and adaptations to your home. Visit **www.ageuk.org.uk** (search 'home adaptations').

## Local home improvements agencies

These agencies can help you organise building-related work to your home, enabling you to live independently and safely.

## **Care and Repair Services East Cambridgeshire**

Email: contactus@eastcambs.gov.uk
Web: https://eastcambs.gov.uk/housing/homeadaptations-and-repairs/home-improvementagency • Tel: 01353 616950

## **Care and Repair West Norfolk**

Fenland.

Email: careandrepair@west-norfolk.gov.uk

Web: www.careandrepair-wn.org

Tel: **01553 616200** 

### **Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency**

Cambridge City, South Cambridgeshire, and Huntingdonshire. Email: hia@cambshia.org Web: https://cambshia.org • Tel: 01954 713330

# DO YOU NEED HELP ADAPTING OR MAINTAINING YOUR HOME?

If you are elderly or disabled

Cambs Home Improvement Agency (Cambs HIA)
may be able to assist you to achieve essential

Adaptations or Repairs

and grant or loan funding, helping you to remain safe and independent in your home.



## **Contact Us Today:**

Tel: 01954 713330/713347 Email: HIA@CambsHIA.org
For more information about Cambs HIA and other local services visit our website: www.cambshia.org









Cambs Home Improvement Agency works in Cambridge City, Huntingdonshire and South Cambridgeshire



## **Technology Enabled Care and Lifelines**

The Technology Enabled Care Services (TECS) team at Cambridgeshire County Council offers advice and guidance on home technology that can simplify your life.

Email: **TECS@cambridgeshire.gov.uk** Web: **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Technology Enabled Care').

Tel: **01480 378160** 

In Cambridgeshire, there are several community alarm services, sometimes known as Lifeline or

Life Line. A community alarm is a pendant alarm that you can wear at home. When pressed, it contacts a response centre to alert them that you need assistance.

These services can notify emergency services and arrange for a GP, district nurse, next of kin, or a named key holder to visit or help you. Some providers also offer a key safe, allowing trusted individuals to access your home in an emergency. Below are some alternative providers. Please note that the council cannot recommend these services.

→ Age Co Personal Alarms (Age UK)

Tel: **0800 085 8032** 

Astraline

Tel: **01625 466681** 

**Careium** 

Tel: **0300 333 6511** 

Careline

Tel: **0800 101 3333** 

**Careline Community Service** 

Tel: **01553 616200** 

LifeConnect24

Tel: **0800 999 0400** 

SAGA personal alarms

Tel: **0800 068 5059** 

Sanctuary365

Tel: **0330 123 3365** 

Telecare24

Tel: 0800 180 8540

**Telecare Choice** 

Tel: 0800 635 7000

## Looking after your home

Sometimes, you might need support to maintain your home and garden to ensure your health and safety.

## Home fire safety checks

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service (CFRS) offers free 'Safe and Well' visits. During these visits, firefighters or specially trained community safety officers can come to your home to give help and advice on various topics, including fire safety, fall prevention, clutter and hoarding management, and staying well and warm at home.

For more information, visit

www.cambsfire.gov.uk or call 0800 917 9994.

## Clutter and hoarding

High levels of clutter can increase the risk of fires starting and spreading. Do you or someone you know have:

- Possessions filling up living areas?
- Strong urges to save items rather than discarding them?
- Difficulty avoiding the purchase of new items?
- Cluttered rooms?

For useful information and advice, visit https://mind.org.uk (search 'Hoarding') or www.nhs.uk/mental-health/conditions/hoarding-disorder

## **Cambridgeshire Handyperson Service**

The **Cambridgeshire Handyperson Service**, run by Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, assists with minor alterations, repairs, and DIY tasks for people aged 65 and over, as well as any adult with a disability. Charges may apply for some services.

Email: chp@ageukcap.org.uk Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/

cambridgeshireandpeterborough

Tel: **01480 700205** 

## The Bobby Scheme

The **Bobby Scheme** is a registered charity that supports older, vulnerable, or disabled victims of crime, including burglary and domestic abuse, or those concerned about home and personal security.

The charity provides expert advice on securing your home and staying safe. They can also install high-quality and effective security devices around your home.

Email: info@thebobbyscheme.org
Web: https://thebobbyscheme.org

Tel: **01480 413311** 

## Help with odd jobs or finding a reliable trader

Asking friends or family for recommendations is a great way to find a reliable trader. If that does not work, you can turn to Trading Standards' approved trader scheme, Buy with Confidence. All members of this scheme have been vetted by Trading Standards and have shown a commitment to high-quality service.

While Trading Standards thoroughly checks each trader before approval, this does not give a price guarantee. It is still a good idea to get three quotes to ensure you are being charged a fair price.

Visit www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 0808 223 1133 for more information.

# Avoiding scams

To protect yourself from the financial and emotional harm of scams, consider these simple tips:

## **Tips**



Be cautious of callers or visitors, even if they seem official, present legitimate-looking documents, or show an ID card. Criminals can convincingly fake communications to appear genuine. Do not let anyone pressure you into sending money or accepting offers that seem too good to be true.

Never share money, personal information, or banking details (including account numbers or your PIN) with anyone who contacts you unexpectedly.

Always verify the identity of someone who contacts you unexpectedly by reaching out to the organisation they claim to represent. Use a contact number you know is correct, not one provided by the person.

Avoid dealing with traders who come to your door.

You can discourage cold callers by displaying a 'Please leave and do not return' sign.

## **Reporting scams**

## Phone, email, and online scams

#### **Action Fraud**

Web: www.actionfraud.police.uk

Tel: 0300 123 2040

#### Postal scams

## **Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline**

Web: www.citizensadvice.org.uk

Tel: **0808 223 1133** 

## Rogue trading/doorstep crime

## **Cambridgeshire Constabulary**

Tel: **999** (live incident/emergency).

Tel: **101** (after incident/non-emergency).

For further information, visit

# www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/community-protection/scams

Independent Age offers a wealth of advice on how to avoid being scammed. Visit www.independentage.org and search 'How to avoid a scam'.



# Support with the cost of living

## Keeping your house warm

#### **Warm Home Discount**

A one-off payment of £150 to reduce eligible customers' bills over the winter months. You get the payment automatically if your electricity supplier is part of the Warm Home Discount scheme and you or your partner receive the Guarantee Credit portion

of Pension Credit. One of you must be named on your bill. Getting a Warm Home Discount does not affect your entitlement to a Winter Fuel Payment or Cold Weather Payment. Visit

**www.gov.uk/the-warm-home-discount-scheme** for updated information.

## → Winter Fuel Payment

If you were born before 25 September 1958 and receive certain benefits, you could get either £200 or £300 to help you pay your winter heating costs for winter 2024 to 2025.

If you are eligible, you will have received a letter advising how much you will receive. Payment is made automatically. For more information, visit **www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment/** 

## **Cold Weather Payment**

This is different to the Winter Fuel Payment. Check if your area is due a payment at www.gov.uk/cold-weather-payment

## Are you missing out on Pension Credit?

In Cambridgeshire, up to one-in-three people who

are eligible for Pension Credit are not claiming. The average household could get roughly £186 per month. Pension Credit is extra money to help with living costs for those over State Pension age and on a low income. Some other benefits are dependent on receiving Pension Credit, such as:

- Winter Fuel Payment.
- Free TV licence (if you're aged 75 or over).
- Discounted NHS dental treatment, glasses and hospital transport.
- Other benefits dependent on your circumstances.

Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** and search 'Pension Credit' for more information, including how to claim.

## Food and energy costs

Are you worried about the rising cost of energy bills, food and transport? You are not alone. The cost-of-living crisis is affecting many of us.

You may want help accessing grants and debt advice, support getting all the money you are entitled to, or simply want to know more about the government's recent support measures. Whatever your money worries may be, there is useful information to help you; visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk and search 'Support with the cost of living' for more details. There is a wide range of support available to those in need including the Household Support Fund, advice about benefits, where your nearest food bank is located and more.

#### Food banks

The **Trussell Trust** is a UK charity that supports a nationwide network of food banks. Visit **www.trussell.org.uk** 

You can request a food bank voucher through **Help through Hardship**, call **0808 2082138** (Monday to Friday, 9.00am-5.00pm) to talk confidentially to Citizens Advice. Once you have been issued with a voucher, you can exchange this for a minimum of three days of emergency food

at your nearest foodbank centre.

# Cambridgeshire Home Energy Support Service (CHESS)

CHESS provides households in Fenland, Huntingdonshire, East Cambridgeshire, and Cambridge City energy advice, information and resources needed to stay warm and healthy, whilst cutting costs and carbon.

If you, or someone you know, is living in or at risk of fuel poverty, then please ask for help by calling **0800 802 1773**, email energyadvice@pect.org.uk or visit www.pect.org.uk/energy-advice to book a call with the Team.

## Local Energy Advice Programme (LEAP)

Offers a free, in-home advice visit to households in Peterborough or South Cambridgeshire to help save you money and keep your home warm.

**LEAP** can:

- Install free, simple energy-saving measures such as LED light bulbs and draught-proofing.
- Check if you are on the best energy tariff via its dedicated switching service.
- Arrange a free money advice consultation.

 Help you find funding for further energy-saving home improvements.

Email: support@applyforleap.org.uk
Web: https://applyforleap.org.uk/apply

Tel: **0800 060 7567** (freephone).

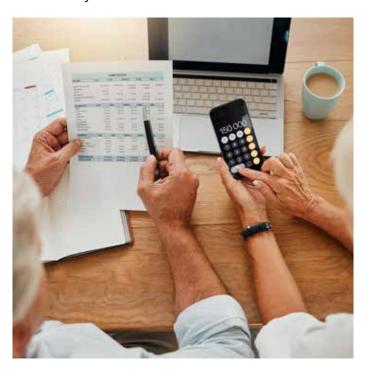
## Cambridgeshire Local Assistance Scheme (CLAS)

If you live in Cambridgeshire and are eligible, **CLAS** can offer information, advice, and practical support during times of exceptional pressure. After an assessment, you may qualify for a CLAS award. These awards can include supermarket or energy vouchers, new or recycled white goods and furniture.

Call CLAS Cambridge City and South
Cambridgeshire on 0344 848 7979 (Monday to
Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm) or CLAS East Cambs,
Fenland & Huntingdonshire on 0808 278 7807
(Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 3.30pm). Visit
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk and search 'Local assistance' for more details.

## Stay Well this Winter

Your local **Stay Well this Winter** programme can help you access the services, information and potentially financial support to keep warm and well during winter, whilst reducing your energy bills. Visit **www.bewellcambridgeshire.co.uk** and search 'Stay well' for more information.



## Heatwaves

Extreme heat can be dangerous, especially for older people and those with chronic health conditions. To stay safe during a heatwave:

- Close curtains and windows during the day and open them at night.
- Drink plenty of fluids and avoid excess alcohol.
- Never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle.
- Try to stay out of the sun between 11.00am and 3.00pm.
- If you must go outside, walk in the shade, apply sunscreen, and wear protective clothing and a wide-brimmed hat.
- Avoid physical exertion during the hottest parts of the day.

Symptoms of heatstroke:

Feeling faint and dizzy.

- Difficulty breathing.
- Vomiting.
- Confusion.

If you or someone in your care shows these symptoms:

- Take action to cool down immediately.
- Call NHS 111 for advice. Call 999 if the person has collapsed.

**British Red Cross** has more information. Visit **www.redcross.org.uk** and search for 'Heatwayes advice'.

#### Tip

Many prescription medicines can reduce your tolerance to heat. Continue taking your medication but take extra care to stay cool. If in doubt, contact your GP.

# Home support

You might need support to stay living independently at home. This could be help from family, friends, neighbours, or others.

## Meals, shopping, and food preparation

If you, or someone you care for, is having difficulty shopping or preparing and cooking meals, there are various options you could choose to help make mealtimes easier. Consider asking a friend or family member for help, use supermarkets online, or call home delivery services.

**Community Navigators** can also help you find support if you do not have anyone that can help you. For more information, see page 10.

## Frozen meals delivery services

You can order food with **Wiltshire Farm Foods** as often or as little as needed, there is no contract. Meals can be ordered online, on the app, or over the phone. To request a brochure, or place an order, visit **https://wiltshirefarmfoods.com** or

call **0800 077 3100**.

**Oakhouse Foods** offers a wide range of frozen ready meals and desserts, catering for different dietary needs and preferences. Meals are delivered to your home and the team can pack them away for you. To request a brochure, or place an order, visit, **www.oakhousefoods.co.uk** or call **0333 370 6700**.

## Hot meals delivery service in Cambridgeshire

camms meals on wheels delivers hot meals to people in Cambridgeshire and the surrounding villages, including St. Neots, St. Ives, Ely, Littleport, Chatteris, and March. There is no eligibility criteria for having meals delivered. Visit www.cammsmealsonwheels.org or call 01223 314288.

For more information, visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Help with meals').

## Specific support for people with a sensory impairment

There is a range of organisations that support people with sensory impairments to remain living safe and well at home. For more information, visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk (search 'Support for sight and hearing loss, and disabilities'). You can also email careinfo@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or call 0345 045 5202. Other helpful organisations are listed as follows.

## CamSight

Email: info@camsight.org.uk
Web: www.camsight.org.uk
Tel: 01223 420033 (Cambridge).

## **Cambridgeshire Deaf Association**

Email: office@cambsdeaf.org

Web: https://cambsdeaf.org •Tel: 01223 246237

## **CDA Hearing Help**

Email: enquiries@cambsdeaf.org

Web: https://cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk

Tel: **01223 416141** • Text: **07429 231230** 

## **Deafblind UK**

Email: info@deafblind.org.uk
Web: https://deafblind.org.uk

Tel: 0800 132320 • Text: 07903 572885

## **Disability Huntingdonshire**

Email: info@dish.org.uk

Web: https://dish.org.uk •Tel: 0330 355 3256



# Search for care in your area

With so many providers to choose from, where do you start?

You, a friend or family member may be looking to stay living independently at home, with support from a home care or live-in care provider, or perhaps a care home would be more suitable. The Care Choices website has been designed to help your search for care.



Find care providers quickly and easily



Search by location and care need



Information on care quality



Links to inspection reports



Additional information, photos and web links



**Brochure requests** 

www.carechoices.co.uk









## → Huntingdonshire Society for the Blind

Email: info@huntsblind.co.uk
Web: https://huntsblind.co.uk

Tel: 01480 453438

## **Papworth Trust**

Email: info@papworthtrust.org.uk
Web: www.papworthtrust.org.uk

Tel: 01480 357200

## Specific support for people with disabilities

The **Community Care Team** supports individuals aged 18 and above who have physical disabilities including parents with disabilities. The team also offers carers' assessments to determine any necessary support and, if eligible, provide a Personal Budget.

The **Learning Disability Partnership** offers health and social care support to individuals diagnosed with a learning disability.

For assistance, contact Cambridgeshire
Adult Services on 0345 045 5202 or visit
https://cambridgeshire-self.
achieveservice.com/service/Adult\_
Services\_contact\_form

For support for individuals aged 0-25 with additional needs, visit Cambridgeshire's **SEND Information Hub (Local Offer)** at **send.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** 

## Specific support for autistic people

There are lots of resources and support available in Cambridgeshire to help autistic people lead fulfilling lives. Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Autism and adult support').

The National Autistic Society offers valuable information and advice to support autistic people of all ages, as well as their families and carers. For more details, visit www.nascambridge.org.uk

#### **Autism Alert Card**

The National Autistic Society provides a free, downloadable Autism Alert Card. This card is a helpful way to inform others that you are autistic and may need additional time or assistance, especially in emergencies. Download it at www.autism.org.uk/advice-and-guidance/

The Hidden Disabilities Sunflower is a simple tool that allows you to voluntarily indicate that you have a hidden disability or condition. For more information, visit https://hdsunflower.com/uk

resources/downloads/i-am-autistic

## The Pegasus scheme

The **Pegasus scheme** by Cambridgeshire Constabulary aims to support individuals who find communication challenging. By pre-registering your information, the police can quickly access your details when you call, saving you from having to repeat everything. This can be especially beneficial in stressful situations.

Who can register?

- Anyone who has a disability or illness that may make it hard to communicate with the police in an emergency or difficult situation.
- Anyone who lives in the local area.

Registration is free and you can apply online by visiting **cambs.police.uk** and searching 'Pegasus Scheme'.

## **Hospital Passports**

A Hospital Passport is a confidential document about you and your health needs. It contains useful information, such as your interests, likes and dislikes, preferred method of communication and any reasonable adjustments you may require, such as a longer appointment time or written information in an easy-read format.

You can use your Hospital Passport when visiting a hospital, seeing a doctor, or attending a clinic. For more information, visit **www.cuh.nhs.uk** or **www.nwangliaft.nhs.uk** and search 'Hospital Passport'.

## Specific support for people with dementia

Your GP is your first point of contact for dementia concerns. Your GP will discuss these with you and consider whether they can provide the help and treatment you need. Several community services are available to help people with dementia stay living in their own homes for as long as possible. For example, there are services providing breaks for carers on page 13; and there is advice on equipment and adaptations on page 22.

## **Alzheimer's Society**

A website hosting lots of information and support for people with dementia and their families, including a directory of local services and support groups. • Web: www.alzheimers.org.uk
Tel: 0333 150 3456 (Dementia Support Line).

## Dementia Intense Support – Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Offers support and advice to help you understand dementia, cope with day-to-day challenges, and prepare for the future. • Email:

cambridgeshiredementia@alzheimers.org.uk
Tel: 01223 620962

## **Dementia Support Forum**

A helpful online community where anyone who is affected by dementia can receive valuable support. It is free, open day and night, and can be accessed online.

Web: https://forum.alzheimers.org.uk



# Someone to speak on your behalf — advocacy

Sometimes you might need someone to help you express yourself or speak on your behalf. This is known as advocacy. Advocates can give advice, support, and information to people of any age, helping you to voice your concerns and guiding you through the care planning process.

You can have an advocate present with you when you have conversations with the social care worker or if you feel unsure or concerned when you are faced with making an important decision about your care and support. Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** and search 'Advocacy'.



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| Agency 3  |  |   | £                                      |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| We suggest that you have paper with you when speaking with home care agencies so you can make notes. You can download and print this checklist at <b>www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists</b> |  |   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| About the agency  |  | Accommodat  | ing your needs                         | 5               |  |  |  |  |  |
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| How long are staff allocated per visit?   |  | process for this.   |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Can you contact the agency in an emergency or outside office hours?   |  | Does the agency scheme in place?                                  |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Does the agency have experience   |  | Are all staff trained to a certain level?                         |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| with your specific needs?   |  | Are staff able to help with administering medication if required? |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Are all staff checked with the Disclosure and Barring Service?  |  | Regulation  |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Will you be notified in advance if your care worker is on holiday or sick?  |  | Will your support<br>regular intervals                            | d at                                   |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are staff matched to you specifically,  |  | Can you see the a   | agency's contract t                    | terms?          |  |  |  |  |  |
| based on your needs and preferences?  |  | Can you lodge a   | complaint easily?                      |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Can you meet your care worker(s) before they start?   |  | Are complaints o  | lealt with quickly?                    | ?               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Does the agency have both male and female staff?  |  | Can you see a co<br>CQC registration<br>quality rating?           | py of the agency'<br>certificate and   | 's              |  |  |  |  |  |
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At the time of publication, all home care agencies listed here were registered by the regulatory body, the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

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Tel: 07490 530005 **OP D MH YA** 

Astar1 Care Agency Ltd

Peterborough

Tel: 07473 446537

OP YA

**A Class Care** 

Cambridge

Tel: 01223 864066 **OP D PD LDA MH SI YA** 

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A Quality Care Service Ltd

Cambridge

Tel: 01223 830257 **OP D PD MH YA** 

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Tel: 01223 679833 **OP D PD LDA YA** 

**Bircham House** 

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Tel: 07974 264321 **OP D PD MH SI YA** 

**Allia Future Business Centre** 

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Tel: 01223 625031 **OP D PD MH SI YA AD** 

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Huntingdon

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**Bloomsdale Care Solutions Ltd** 

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Tel: 07861 668560 YA

**Anglian Care and Domestic Support Services Ltd** 

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- Huntingdon Branch

Huntingdon

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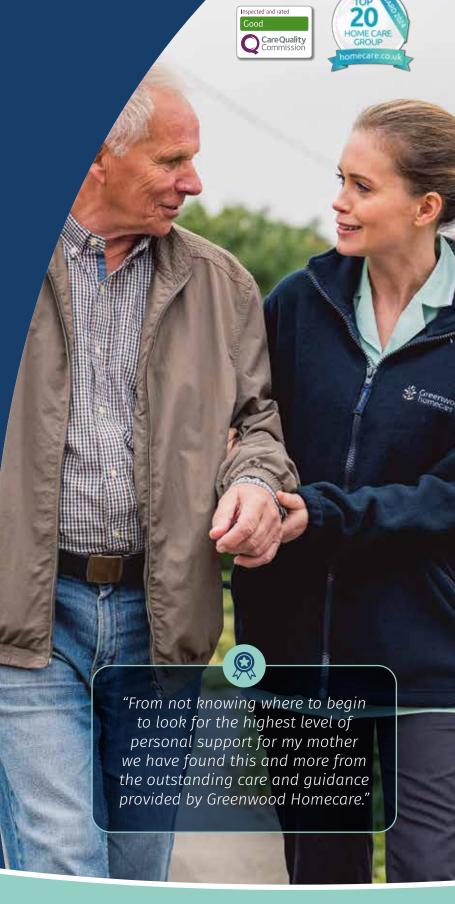


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# Coming home from hospital

Going into hospital can be a worrying time for people and their carers/family members. It is useful to think early on about what will happen when you leave hospital, whether you will need ongoing care and support and, if so, how you will pay for it. Unlike NHS services, social care is chargeable for people based on their own financial circumstances.

#### Support whilst you recover

You might need a bit of temporary support for a few days after leaving hospital whilst you recover and adapt to new ways of doing things. Often, informal support networks can be preferable to people who do not know you. You can arrange support with domestic tasks and personal care on a short-term basis. More information on these topics can be found on pages 28 and 53 respectively.

Care Network offers a free Help at Home service, for up to six weeks of practical and emotional support for any adult who has come out of hospital. The service can visit you at home or in hospital to discuss your individual needs and how they might help. All staff and volunteers undertake training and have enhanced DBS (police checks). Volunteers can call in to check you are OK and help with tasks such as picking up prescriptions, collecting shopping, light housework and practical tasks, and can link you

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If appropriate, the council can also arrange short-term support for when you return home. You can ask to speak to the hospital social work team, who can help you identify what is important to you, agree your outcomes, and discuss the help and support available.

Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough's Hospital Discharge and Admission Avoidance Support Service can support people aged 60 and above, living in Cambridgeshire, with an identified need on their return home from hospital. Email HDsupport@ageukcap.org.uk or call 01354 691896.

#### Reablement

The council's Reablement team will support you to maximise your independence by helping you maintain or relearn the skills needed for everyday life. Reablement programmes last from a few days to a few weeks and are tailored to you individually. Many people find that after their Reablement programme they can cope very well on their own, without the need for further care and support.

As part of your Reablement programme, the council will help you to plan any ongoing care that you might need or advise on local services you may be interested in, as well as suggest equipment which could make your day-to-day living easier.

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# Paying for your care

There is lots of free support available in the community that can help you continue living independently. However, you may have to pay for some support you receive. If you think you may need care in the future, it is a good idea to get advice on how to pay for it before making any decisions.

Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Money and benefits') for financial support or refer to the following organisations.

#### **Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough**

Email: infoandadvice@ageukcap.org.uk
Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/

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Tel: **0300 666 9860** 

#### **Cambridge and District Citizens Advice**

Web: www.cambridgecab.org.uk

Tel: **0808 278 7808** 

#### **Independent Age**

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Tel: 0800 319 6789

#### **Money Helper**

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#### **Society of Later Life Advisers (SOLLA)**

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#### Disability benefits

You may be entitled to disability benefits which you can use to help pay for the care and support you need. These benefits include:

- Personal Independence Payment (PIP) a
   benefit that helps with the extra costs of a
   long-term health condition or disability for
   people aged between 16 and State Pension age.
   There are two parts to PIP, a daily living part if
   you need help with everyday tasks, and a mobility
   part if you need help with getting around.
- Attendance Allowance a benefit for people over State Pension age, paid at two different rates depending on the level of help you need. The lower rate is for those needing care by day or night, and the higher rate is for those needing care both day and night, or who are terminally ill.

Attendance Allowance and the daily living component of PIP will be included in the calculation of your financial assessment.

Visit www.gov.uk/browse/benefits/disability or call Citizens Advice on 0808 278 7850.

#### Financial assessment and arranging your care

If you are unable to meet the cost of your care yourself, the council will carry out a financial assessment to see if it is able to contribute towards the cost. If your capital, savings, and income are above the current threshold, you will need to pay the full cost of your care and support.

The financial assessment, or means test, works out what you will have to pay towards the cost of your care. It is carried out by the council after they complete your care needs assessment, which looks at what care needs you may have. The financial assessment will consider:

- Your income, including any pensions and benefits.
- Your capital, including savings and assets (such as a second property and stocks and shares etc.).

If you will be getting care services at home, the value of your home is not included if you own it. This is different to the rules about charging if you are moving to a care home.

#### **Deprivation of assets**

If someone intentionally reduces their assets – such as money, property, or income – so that these will not be included in the financial

assessment for care, this is known as 'deprivation of assets'. If the council concludes that you have deliberately reduced your assets to avoid

paying towards the cost of care, your financial assessment may be completed as if you still owned the assets.

#### Paying for care in your own home

If you have capital or savings of more than the current threshold, not including your home, or you choose not to disclose your financial circumstances, you will have to pay the full cost of any care and support you require in your own home or periods of respite care in a care home. The council can arrange care for you, and you will be invoiced for this, or you can arrange your care privately and pay for it directly.

If you ask the council to arrange your care and support for you, you may be liable to pay an arrangement fee in addition to the costs of meeting your assessed care and support needs. This arrangement fee covers the cost of putting the care and support you need in place.

Visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults (see 'Money and benefits').

#### What you will have to pay

This depends on your financial situation. The council cannot charge anyone else, such as your partner or someone you live with, and the following factors will be considered.

#### Your income

This must not reduce below a certain amount, known as the Minimum Income Guarantee (MIG). This is so you can still afford daily living costs, such as food and utility bills. If your weekly income is higher than your care costs, you will usually have to pay for all your care yourself — as long as you are left with at least your MIG amount. If the council includes any disability-related benefits you receive in your financial assessment, it must also consider any disability-related expenses you have.

#### Your capital

Capital is money or items that have a financial value. For example, savings, investments, land, and property.

Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Paying for care').

#### **Direct Payments**

If you are eligible to receive council-funded services, Cambridgeshire County Council will allocate you a 'Personal Budget'. This is the amount of money the council will pay towards your social care support. Personal Budgets give you more choice and control over how your money is used to buy care and support. You can choose from a range of options for managing your Personal Budget:

- Direct Payments money for your support is sent directly to you, or someone you have nominated. You can then arrange your own care and support arrangements. If you choose this option, you can get support from People Plus to manage your Direct Payments.
- Cambridgeshire County Council can manage the budget. This means the council will arrange care and support to meet your assessed needs.
- An Individual Service Fund (ISF) Provider.
- Any combination of these approaches.

**People Plus** is currently contracted by the council to provide the Direct Payments Support Service.

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#### Individual Service Fund (ISF)

An ISF is where you choose a provider, rather than the council or yourself, to manage your Personal Budget. This scheme is, at the time of publication, available only in East Cambridge as a pilot. The ISF provider will arrange services and support for you, with your agreement. With an ISF, you get choice and control over your support without having to manage the money yourself, which can be the case with a Direct Payment.

Your family, advocate, or carer could also help you. You would work with the provider to plan support services and activities to help achieve the outcomes identified in your care and support plan. ISFs can be used for a range of different purchases if they demonstrate that they are achieving positive outcomes for you. The services and activities must help meet your assessed needs.

#### Paying for personal care

If you need support with your personal care, such as washing yourself or getting dressed, you can employ a care worker to help you. The length of visits will

depend on the support that you need. The hourly rate charged for services depends on what help is required, the time of day, and location.

#### Live-in care

If you require a lot of help with your personal care, you may want to consider having a support worker who lives in your home, or 24-hour live-in care on a short-term basis. This will enable anyone who might support you informally to take a break.

Charges for live-in care depend on the amount of care and the skills and support required. When choosing your care worker, you can choose your own personal assistant, or you can use an agency. Before you make any decisions, you should contact homecare providers and personal assistants to ask what they provide, their charges, and get a draft contract between you and them.

#### Tip

Some care workers may also help you with cleaning, shopping, and cooking. Before you choose who to use, ask them what they can and cannot do. You can use the checklist on page 35 to help you choose a care worker.

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#### Employing a personal assistant

A personal assistant (PA) is someone you employ to provide support you need in a way that suits you best. This may include cooking, cleaning, help with personal care, such as washing and dressing, among more miscellaneous tasks such as helping you get out and about in the community. As an employer you will be responsible for:

- A safe working environment.
- Relevant training.
- A written contract.
- Employer and Public Liability insurance.
- Checking your PA is legally allowed to work in the UK.
- Not discriminating against a worker.
- Paying correctly, registering with the Inland Revenue Service, paying tax, pensions, and National Insurance for staff. There are payroll companies that can do this on your behalf.
- Treating staff with respect.

You must abide by employment and tax laws, otherwise you may have to pay expensive interest and fines, or in some circumstances have legal action taken against you. Ensure you keep all insurance (public and employers' liability) documents.

To have a PA, you will need to provide a job application form, a job description and employment contract. Make sure you have calculated their wages correctly, including holiday and sick pay,

pensions, and insurance. **People Plus** is the Direct Payment Support Service for Cambridgeshire and can provide information on recruitment, wages, and employer obligations.

#### Tip

Even if your PA states they are self-employed, you may still be treated as their employer by HMRC. To get advice on the employment status of your PA call the HMRC helpline on **0300 200 3300**.

#### What is a Care Micro Enterprise (CME)?

A CME is a small business that offers care and support services within your local community. These services can include personal care, holistic home care, and carer respite services.

Benefits of using a CME:

- Flexible and localised care and support in your home.
- More choice and control around care and support options.
- An alternative to more traditional care services.
- Longer-term relationship with the care workers who support you.

Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** and search 'Care Micro Enterprises' for more information and the CME directory.

#### Paying for care in a care home or nursing home

If your income, capital, and savings are more than the current threshold, you are likely to have to pay the full cost of your care. If you own your home, its value will usually be included when calculating your capital. Sometimes it will not be included. For example, its value will be disregarded if it is still the main home of your partner, a close relative aged 60 or over, or a close relative with a disability. Other exemptions may apply; call **0345 045 5202**.

The care homes you consider must be able to meet your assessed care needs. If the council is contributing towards the cost of your care, your choice of care home will be limited to those that accept the council's funding level. If the home you have chosen charges more than the council's funding level, you must find someone to help pay the difference.

Except in limited circumstances, the law states that you are not allowed to make this additional payment yourself. The responsibility for this often falls to a member of your family or a benevolent sponsor such as a charity. Once confirmed, they must sign an agreement formalising the arrangement.

You may be able to arrange a Deferred Payment Agreement with the council. This is an arrangement which lets you use the value of your home to help pay for care home costs. This means the council could provide financial help which it will then recover once your home has been sold, or from your estate.

Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Organising residential care').

#### Who can pay top-up fees

You can only pay your own top-up fees in one of the following situations:

- You have just moved permanently into a care home and are in the 12-week property disregard period. Visit www.independentage.org/getadvice/health-and-care/paying-for-care (select 'Selling your home to pay for residential care').
- You have a Deferred Payment Agreement with the council.
- Your accommodation is being provided as aftercare under section 117 of the Mental Health Act 1983.



The top-up fee contract must explain how much the payments will be, how often they will need to be paid, what might happen if you or your chosen third party can no longer afford the top-up, and how any annual increase in costs will be shared.

Visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Paying for care').

If you move into a care home that provides nursing care, you may be entitled to a

non-means-tested contribution towards the cost of your nursing care from the NHS, paid directly to the home. Visit **www.nhs.uk** and search 'NHS-funded nursing care'.

#### **Running out of money**

If your capital and savings are likely to fall below the current threshold, let the council know in advance. The council can arrange a financial assessment and may be able to contribute towards the cost of your care.

#### NHS Continuing Healthcare (NHS CHC)

This package of care is for adults aged 18 and over, fully arranged and funded by the NHS. To receive NHS CHC funding, individuals must undergo an assessment by Integrated Care Boards (ICBs).

This assessment follows a legally defined process to determine if the individual has a 'primary health need'. For more information, visit

www.nhs.uk (search 'NHS Continuing Healthcare').

# Your health, care, and financial affairs

There may come a time when you are unwell and cannot tell the people around you what you do and do not want. Recording your wishes allows you to express who you are and what is important to you. This gives you control over your treatment and care, and reassurance that the right decisions will be made.

Further information on planning for the future can be found using the following websites.

#### Age UK

Web: www.ageuk.org.uk/information-advice

#### **Cambridgeshire County Council**

Web: **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'Mental capacity and planning for the future').

#### **Compassion in Dying**

Web: https://compassionindying.org.uk

#### **Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA)**

An LPA is a legal document that lets you appoint one or more people as an 'attorney/s' to help you make decisions or to make decisions on your behalf. This gives you more control over what happens to you if you have an accident, or an illness, and cannot make your own decisions, meaning you 'lack mental capacity'. You must be 18 or over and have mental capacity (the ability to make your own decisions) when you make

your LPA. There are two types of LPA:

- Health and welfare.
- Property and financial affairs.

You can choose to make one type or both. There is no need to involve solicitors and you can make an LPA online or by using paper forms. Visit

www.gov.uk/power-of-attorney

#### **Appointeeship**

You can apply for the right to deal with the benefits of someone who cannot manage their own affairs

because they are mentally incapable or severely disabled. Only one appointee can act on behalf of

someone who is entitled to benefits (the claimant) from the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). An appointee can be:

- An individual; for example, a friend or relative.
- An organisation or representative of an

organisation; for example, a solicitor or local council.

Visit www.gov.uk/become-appointee-forsomeone-claiming-benefits

#### Deputyship

You can apply to become someone's deputy if they 'lack mental capacity'. This means they cannot make important decisions independently. They may still be able to make decisions independently at other times.

People may lack mental capacity because, for example:

- They have had a serious brain injury or illness.
- They have dementia.
- They have severe learning disabilities.

As a deputy, you will be authorised by the Court of Protection to make decisions on their behalf. There are two types of deputy:

- Property and financial affairs deputy you will do things like pay the person's bills, receive their income, and manage their financial affairs.
- Personal welfare deputy you will make decisions about medical treatment and how someone is looked after.

Visit www.gov.uk (search 'Deputies').

# What to expect from Cambridgeshire County Council

Adult Social Care can provide you with the advice, information, and help you need to promote your independence, safety, and wellbeing. While friends, family, and your local community might provide ample support, there are occasions when additional assistance is needed. In such incidences, the council's Adult Social Care service could help you. The service supports adults of all ages and disabilities.

#### **Tip**

Before contacting Adult Social Care, ask yourself the following questions:



- What has changed recently in your life?
- What would you like to be able to achieve?
- What difference would this make to your life?
- What sort of things have you considered to help you achieve this?

Write down the answers to help you remember them as you will be asked to discuss this when you contact Adult Social Care. Adult Social Care will work with you to identify the best options available to help you. This could be accessing community-based support, getting some equipment, or referring you for an assessment.

If you plan to contact Adult Social Care on behalf of someone else, ensure they are aware of your intentions. If possible, discuss the questions at the beginning of this section with the individual before making contact.

If you are looking after someone who could not manage without your help, you may also need some support so that you can continue to care and maintain your own health and wellbeing. See page 13 for more information.

For more information on receiving care and support:

Use the Contact form available at https://cambridgeshire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Adult\_Services\_contact\_form

#### **Care and Support Plans**

If you are referred for an assessment, the Adult Social Care team will have a detailed conversation with you to understand your circumstances and what you would like to achieve. The team will look at the support you receive from family, friends, and your local community, and will work with you to identify what additional assistance will help you to remain independent. Once your initial care and support plan meets your desired outcomes,

considers any potential risks, and fits within the available budget, it can be approved by the council.

Your care and support plan is all about you — highlighting your strengths and abilities, addressing your care and support needs, outlining your goals, and specifying the equipment needed for you to live independently.

# Making a compliment, comment, or complaint about Adult Social Care

You can provide feedback yourself, or a family member, friend or representative can contact the council on your behalf. You can provide feedback:

- Online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/ contact-us/council-complaints-procedures
- Over the phone on 0345 045 5202.
- By email: customercareteam@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
- In writing to Customer Care Team, (SCO Box 2116), PO Box 761, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE29 9QR.

For all social care complaints, you can also raise your concerns with a social care representative.

#### What if I need help to provide my comments?

If you need assistance in providing feedback, call **0345 045 5202**. If you would prefer to discuss this in person, you can also be supported to provide feedback at the council's main office receptions, or in a library where staff can support you in completing the online form.

#### What happens when I provide feedback?

Cambridgeshire County Council will let you know that it has received your feedback. If you do this online, the council will let you know immediately, otherwise it will acknowledge your feedback within three working days. Once the council has received your comments, it will review them and determine whether your feedback is a complaint, compliment, suggestion, or representation. The council will then let you know details of the respective process.

If your feedback is about a service that is being funded by or arranged by the council, the usual first step is to speak to the manager of the service. You may find that asking for a chance to speak to them informally about your concerns is enough to resolve the matter, or you could put your concerns into a letter if you prefer. If the problem has not been resolved by raising it with the care provider, contact your local council. We do not expect a formal complaint to be raised with the service and the council. Therefore, formal complaints will be managed by either the service directly or the council. Find out more about giving feedback at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk (search 'Adult social care complaints').

If the service is registered and regulated by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) you can also share your experiences with them. Email enquiries@cqc.org.uk, visit https://www.cqc.org.uk/give-feedback-on-care or call 0300 061 6161. If you remain dissatisfied with the

council's final response to your complaint, ask the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman (LGSCO) to look at your complaint.

Visit www.lgo.org.uk/how-to-complain, call **0300 061 0614** or write to PO Box 4471, Coventry CV4 0EH.

#### **Healthwatch Cambridgeshire**

Your local health and social care champion. If you use GPs and hospitals, dentists, pharmacies, care homes, or other support services in your area, Healthwatch wants to hear about your experiences. Healthwatch is independent and has the power to make sure NHS leaders and other decision makers listen to local feedback and improve standards of care.

Where possible, Healthwatch will inform you about upcoming changes to services in your community and help you have a say. It will also encourage those

managing local care services to involve you when changes are being planned to services. Additionally, Healthwatch can assist you in finding reliable and trustworthy information and advice.

#### Email:

enquiries@healthwatchcambspboro.co.uk Web: www.healthwatchcambridgeshire.co.uk

Tel: **0330 355 1285** Text: **07520 635176** 

Write to: Healthwatch Cambridgeshire, The Maple Centre, 6 Oak Drive, Huntingdon PE29 7HN

#### **Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Partnership Boards**

Empowering individuals with experience of using Adult Social Care services to have a say in current and future care. Each Partnership Board comprises:

- Service user representatives, known as Independent Members.
- Voluntary sector service providers.

 Statutory services, including health and social care.

Healthwatch organises the board meetings and offers support and training to Independent Members to assist them in their roles. For contact details, please refer to the information above.

# Worried about someone or yourself – safeguarding adults

Anyone can be vulnerable to abuse, neglect, or self-neglect at some point in their life. Some adults with care and support needs are less able to protect themselves against abuse or neglect, and some have difficulty making their wishes and feelings known. The council refers to these individuals as 'adults at risk'. For someone to be considered an 'adult at risk', three criteria must be met:

- The person has care and support needs, whether or not these are being met.
- The person is experiencing, or is at risk of experiencing, abuse or neglect.

• As a result of their needs, they are unable to protect themselves from this.

Abuse can occur anywhere, including at home, in a care home, or in the wider community. The harm may be caused by anyone, including another person with care and support needs, and it may be deliberate or unintentional. If you have been affected by abuse, you might feel scared and helpless. It is important to know that there are people you can turn to for help and steps you can take to protect yourself.

Whatever the circumstances, it is important that

you raise your concerns with the council. If you are raising concerns about someone else, it is helpful to inform the person that you plan to do so and

ideally gain their consent. However, if this is not possible, it is still important to raise your concerns with the council.

#### Types of abuse

There are different types of abuse that you or someone that you know might be experiencing:

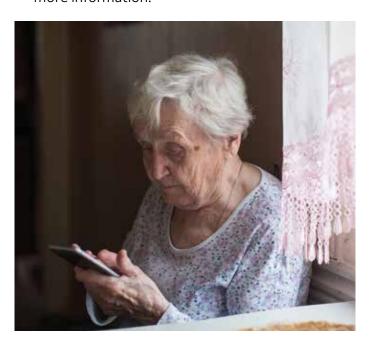
- **Physical:** such as someone hitting, slapping, pushing, or kicking you.
- **Sexual:** this includes any type of sexual behaviour that you do not want or cannot consent to.
- **Psychological:** such as bullying, threats to leave you alone, threats to put you in a care home, or denying you access to friends.
- Financial: such as taking or spending your money without your permission.
- Neglect or self-neglect: such as not being given or eating enough food, not being given, or taking medication, or not allowing access to care workers.
- **Discriminatory:** any behaviour that is based on being different such as exclusion from an activity due to a hearing impairment, because of your ethnicity, or because of the language you speak.
- **Domestic abuse:** this is any form of unacceptable personal abuse committed by a partner, ex-partner, or a family member.
- **Organisational:** such as your care provider or other organisations treating you badly, neglecting you, or providing a poor service.
- **Modern slavery:** such as being forced to work by people who abuse you or are cruel to you.
- Tip

If you or someone else you know is in immediate danger or needs urgent medical treatment, contact the police and/or call an ambulance on 999.

If you are concerned that you or someone you know is experiencing, or is at risk of abuse and there is no immediate danger:

 Tell someone you trust today – this may be a family member, friend, neighbour, or GP.

- Call the police on **101** if you think they need to be involved.
- Contact the council by emailing your concerns to referral.centre-adults@cambridgeshire. gov.uk or call 0345 045 5202 (9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday). If it is outside of office hours and someone is in danger and unable to protect themselves, or cannot remain in the community without immediate intervention, call **01733 234724**. It does not matter whether you are able to identify an actual abuser.
- Visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults and select 'Report a concern about an adult' for more information.



The lifestyle site for parents and carers of children with additional needs and those who support them.



www.myfamilyourneeds.co.uk

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#### How the council can help

The council will provide information and practical advice to you or the person experiencing abuse, enabling informed decisions about any necessary help or actions you may wish to take.

If the person being abused, or at risk of abuse, cannot make an informed choice themselves, care will be taken to support and protect them. What happens next will depend on the wishes of the person being abused and the severity of the situation. If they are in physical danger or at risk of

serious neglect, ensuring their safety will be the highest priority.

## What to expect after you have submitted a referral?

You should receive confirmation that your referral has been received and is being reviewed. Due to data protection regulations, the feedback you receive may be limited. The person contacting you might not be able to share specific details unless the individual the referral is about has given their consent.

# End of life care

Talking about the future and dying can be difficult, but it is important that you and your family, friends, and carers discuss your wishes as you near the end of your life.

More people are starting to make 'end of life plans' to make it easier for others to support and carry out their wishes when the time comes. This could include where you want to die, what treatment you would want, any cultural or religious requirements, and planning for your funeral. You might want to consider taking out a funeral plan to ensure that costs for your funeral are covered.

End of life care should help you live as well as possible until you die, and to die with dignity. Planning for your needs should mean that, if you wish to, you can remain in your own home or care home and not have to be admitted to hospital. Wherever you are being cared for, as you approach the end of your life you are entitled to a high quality of care.

#### **Advance Decisions**

This allows you to write down any treatments that you do not want to have in the future in case you later become unable to make or communicate decisions for yourself. It will only be used if you cannot make or communicate a decision for yourself. The legal name is an Advance Decision to Refuse Treatment, and it is also sometimes called a Living Will or an Advance Directive.

Advance Decisions are legally binding in England and Wales if they meet certain requirements. This

means that if a healthcare professional knows you have made an Advance Decision, they must follow it. If they ignore an Advance Decision, then they could be taken to court. Visit

**https://compassionindying.org.uk** (search 'Planning ahead').

#### **Preferred Priorities for Care (PPC)**

This can help you prepare for the future. It gives you an opportunity to think about, talk about, and write down your preferences and priorities for care at the end of your life. You do not need to do this unless you want to.

The PPC can help you and your carers (your family, friends, and professionals) to understand what is important to you when planning your care. If a time comes when, for whatever reason, you are unable to decide for yourself, anyone who must make decisions about your care on your behalf will have to action anything you have written in your PPC. The PPC is not meant to be used for legally binding refusals of specific medical treatments in advance.

If you are being cared for at home or in a care home,



your GP has overall responsibility for your care. The people providing your care should ask you about your wishes and preferences and take these into account as they work with you, your family, and your GP to plan your end of life care.

There are several useful websites and publications providing information about planning ahead and end of life care. Visit **www.nhs.uk** or **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk** (search 'End of life care').

#### **Palliative Care Hub**

**The Palliative Care Hub** is a free telephone service available to anyone in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough who needs specialist palliative care advice or support. This service is accessible to patients, family members, friends, carers, GPs, and other healthcare professionals. It is specifically for those diagnosed with a life-limiting illness.

The hub can provide advice and support, direct you to appropriate services, connect you with another healthcare professional who can better assist you, or make necessary referrals to other services.

To access the service, call **111** and select the 'Palliative and End of Life Care' option.

# Housing options

Finding the right support or accommodation is key to helping you remain independent and confident in your wellbeing and security. Visit

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults and select 'Staying independent' or see page 21 of this Guide.

#### Tip

Use your action plan on page 6 to help you decide what you could do to stay safe, well, and independent at home for longer.



If you feel that you would benefit from being closer to family and friends or have easier access to services such as your local doctor, library, and shop, there are several housing options available that might meet your needs and help you to remain living independently at home for as long as possible.

Your district council's housing advice service can give you more information on housing in your area and what you might need to do to apply for social housing. The service will be able to assist if you are being asked to leave the home you are living in or think you might be at risk of becoming homeless.

#### **Cambridge City Council**

Email: housing.advice@cambridge.gov.uk Web: www.cambridge.gov.uk/housing

Tel: **01223 457000** 

## East Cambridgeshire District Council – Housing Advice Service

Email: housingservices@eastcambs.gov.uk Web: https://eastcambs.gov.uk/housing Tel: 01353 665555

#### **Fenland District Council**

Email: housingadvice@fenland.gov.uk
Web: https://fenland.gov.uk/housing
Tel: 01354 654321

#### **Huntingdonshire District Council**

Email: housingadvice@huntingdonshire.gov.uk Web: https://huntingdonshire.gov.uk/housing Tel: 01480 388218

#### **South Cambridgeshire District Council**

Email: housingadvice@scambs.gov.uk Web:

www.scambs.gov.uk/housing/housing-advice Tel: 01954 713000

Housing advice is also available from the following independent organisations.

#### Shelter

Web: https://england.shelter.org.uk

Tel: **0808 800 4444** (emergency advice helpline).

#### **Citizens Advice Bureau**

Web: www.citizensadvice.org.uk/housing

#### **Supported Living**

This can support people with a wide range of needs such as learning disabilities, autism, mental health conditions, and physical disabilities.

Supported Living services can vary between homes

that are shared by more than one person with similar needs. This is usually between two to four people although some schemes are bigger. The kitchen, living area, and garden will usually be shared.

#### **Sheltered Housing**

If you are feeling isolated in your current home or need some additional support on a long-term basis, Sheltered Housing may suit your needs. In Sheltered Housing you have your own home, and usually you will have access to an alarm that allows you to call for help if needed. You may also have access to visiting support staff if you need some extra help.

Accommodation is self-contained, and most schemes have a communal lounge, laundry room, and a garden. Many schemes run social events that are usually organised and run by residents living in the scheme.



#### **Independent Housing with Care**

Also known as Extra Care Housing, this is specially designed to enable older people to live independently. Like Sheltered Housing, you have your own self-contained flat with your own front door, but also have the reassurance of knowing that there is a care team on site 24 hours a day to meet your personal care needs and to respond to emergency calls, providing you and your family with peace of mind.

Extra Care Housing can be rented, owned outright, or shared ownership (part-owned and part-rented). Many people choose Extra Care Housing as an alternative to a residential care home because it provides a greater independence and flexibility to have family and friends to visit and stay.

#### **Older People's Visiting Support Service**

This service can provide short-term support to any older person in Cambridgeshire, including people living in Sheltered Housing. The aim of the service is to support people to continue to live as independently as possible by helping them with things such as benefits, home adaptations, applying for grants, and contacting other services that may be of help to you.

#### **Cambridge City Council**

Email: independent.living@cambridge.gov.uk

Web:

www.cambridge.gov.uk/visiting-support-service

Tel: **01223 457199** 

## P3 – East Cambridgeshire, Fenland, and Huntingdonshire

Email: cpfss@p3charity.org

Web: www.p3charity.org/services/

cambridgeshire-floating-support-service

Tel: **0808 169 8099** 

#### **South Cambridgeshire District Council**

Email: visitingsupport@scambs.gov.uk
Web: https://scambs.gov.uk/housing/housingadvice/housing-services-for-older-residents/
visiting-support-service

visiting-support-serv

Tel: **01954 713000** 

For more information about national housing options, visit https://hoop.eac.org.uk/hooptool

#### **Cambridgeshire Shared Lives**

A regulated service where an adult who has support and/or accommodation needs moves in with, or regularly visits an approved Shared Lives carer that they have been matched with for compatibility.

Shared Lives can offer people a highly flexible form of care and support. All Shared Lives arrangements are set up, supported, and monitored by Shared Lives schemes and the carers are local people who have been recruited, trained, and approved by the Scheme.

Shared Lives enables a wide range of people to have their support needs met, their health and wellbeing promoted, and can reduce the need for admission to hospital or residential care.

Email: cambridgeshiresharedlives@

cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Web: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk

(search 'Shared Lives'). Tel: **01354 750084** 

#### **Cambridgeshire Outreach Service (COS)**

Individualised support provided in your home and local community. A COS support worker will work with you to develop your independence and community connections. This might include support to maintain your living environment, to manage your bills and correspondence, complete daily tasks, attend health appointments, access

educational or health and fitness activities, or source work or volunteering opportunities, all with a real focus on building your capability, your confidence, and your connections.

Email: cambridgeshireoutreachservice@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

#### Inspecting and regulating home care services

All registered home care providers must be regulated and inspected by the Care Quality Commission (CQC). Each service receives a quality rating report, making it easy to see where a service excels and where improvements are needed.

#### Tip

It is always wise to check inspection reports and ratings when selecting a care service. You can find these on the CQC's website at www.cqc.org.uk



For home care arranged by Cambridgeshire County Council, the agencies used are accredited to work with the council. They will inform you of the cost of your care. If you cannot afford this, the council may contribute towards the cost. For more information about the support Cambridgeshire County Council can provide, see page 56.

For more details about care at home, visit **www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/adults** 

## Care homes

Moving into a care home is a significant decision, involving a change of residence and potentially high costs for ongoing accommodation and care.

#### Tip

Before considering a care home, explore less disruptive and potentially less costly options such as equipment, adaptations, or personal care support. Assess whether you need the level of care provided by a care home and



consider alternative accommodations like Extra Care Housing schemes or Supported Living, which offer independence with increased care and support.

If no other accommodation options are suitable, a care home may meet your needs. Residential and nursing care homes provide 24-hour support from care staff and cater to older people and younger adults with disabilities.

#### Inspecting and regulating residential care services

All care homes must be registered and inspected by the **Care Quality Commission (CQC)**, which awards quality rating reports. These ratings help you easily identify where a service is performing well and where it needs improvement.

#### **Tip**

Always check inspection reports and ratings when choosing a care service. These can be found on the CQC's website at www.cqc.org.uk

When evaluating potential care homes, use the checklist on page 67. For homes providing care

for people with dementia, refer to the checklist on page 65. Care homes may be privately owned or run by charities or councils. To be eligible for a council-arranged care home placement, you will need a care and support assessment and must have needs that cannot be met through alternative options.

The council will inform you of the cost of the care home, and if you cannot afford it, they may contribute towards the cost. For more information about the support the council can provide, see page 56.

#### Types of care home

#### Residential care homes

For individuals who cannot continue living at home, even with additional support or home modifications. If you cannot receive the necessary support at home, consider a residential care home. These homes assist with personal care, including eating, washing, toileting, and dressing, but do not offer nursing support.

#### Care homes with nursing

Nursing care homes offer the same personal care as residential care homes, with the added benefit of 24-hour nursing care provided by trained nursing staff. Before moving into a nursing home, an assessment is required to ensure that it is the best option for your needs. If the individual needing care has been diagnosed with dementia, it is important to confirm that the home can accommodate these specific needs.





• What have you found useful?• What could we do better?

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# Choosing care and support

#### Residential dementia care checklist © 2025 Care Choices Ltd Fees per week Quality rating\* £ £ We suggest that you take paper with you when visiting care homes so that you can make notes. Please use this checklist in conjunction with the care homes checklist on page 67. You can download and print this checklist at www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists Health Design Are there clear signs throughout Can residents get help with eating the home? and drinking? Has the home been designed or How often does the home review adapted for people with dementia? residents' medication? Are the home and grounds secure? Does the home offer help if a resident needs assistance taking Are there prompts outside the medication? residents' rooms to help people identify their own? Do GPs visit the home regularly? Is the décor familiar to your loved one? Staff Are staff trained to identify when a Choices resident might be unwell? Do residents get a choice in terms of Are staff trained to spot when someone what they wear each day? needs to go to the toilet? Are residents encouraged to be Do the staff have any dementia-specific independent? training/experience? Can residents decide what to do Will your loved one have a member each day? of staff specifically responsible for Can residents have a say in the décor their care?

#### **Activities**

of their room?

Are residents able to join in with household tasks like folding washing?

Are there activities on each day?

Can residents walk around outside on their own?

Are residents sitting in front of the TV or are they active and engaged?

Are there rummage boxes around?

#### Approach to care

Does the home follow a specific approach to dementia therapy, for example, validation therapy?

Will the home keep you informed about changes to your loved one's care?

Does the home have a specific approach to end of life care?

Does the home keep up to date with best practice in dementia care?

<sup>\*</sup>See page 63.





#### Glenholme Passionate about care

Find reassurance and care for you or your loved one at our Cambridgeshire Senior Living care homes







▼ Tailored care plans ♥ Choice of nutritious home-cooked meals ♥ Luxurious homely environments ♥ Personal care & hairdressing services ♥ Daily activities & social events ♥ Landscaped gardens

#### **Wendreth Court**

Residential | Dementia | Respite
Peterhouse Cres, March
01354 702777

Our team helps people live as full and active a life as possible, focusing on what matters most to them. At Glenholne, we take the time to get to know each individual, fostering a sense of family and inclusion.

#### **Vera James House**

Residential | Dementia | Respite
Chapel St, Ely, CB6 1TA
01353 661113

Get in touch to arrange a visit or just to get some friendly advice www.glenholme.org.uk/cambs

| Home 1  | Fees per week Quality r   | ating*  |
|---|---|---------|
| Home 2  | <u>£</u>  |         |
| Home 3  |   |         |
| We suggest that you take paper with you when visiting care homes so that you can make notes. You can download and print this checklist at <b>www.carechoices.co.uk/checklists</b> |   |         |
| Staff   | Personal preferences  |         |
| What is the minimum number of staff that are available at any time?   | Is the home too hot/cold? Can you control the heating in your room? |         |
| Are staff respectful, friendly and polite?  | Is the décor to your taste?   |         |
| Do staff have formal training?  | Are there restricted visiting hours?                                |         |
| Are the staff engaging with residents?  | Is there somewhere you can go to be alone?                          |         |
| Activities  | Does the home feel welcoming?                                       |         |
| Can you get involved in activities you enjoy?   | Catering  |         |
| Is there an activities co-ordinator?  | Can the home cater for any dietary                                  |         |
| Does the home organise any outings?   | requirements you may have?  |         |
| Are residents escorted to appointments?   | Does the menu change regularly?                                     |         |
| Do the residents seem entertained?  | Can you eat when you like, even at night?                           |         |
| Does the home have a varied   | Can you have food in your room?                                     |         |
| activities schedule?  | Is there a choice of food at mealtimes?                             |         |
| Life in the home  | Is alcohol available/allowed if you want it?                        |         |
| Is the home adapted to suit your needs?   | Can visitors join you for meals?                                    |         |
| Can you bring your own furniture?   |   |         |
| Are there enough plug sockets in the rooms?   | <b>Fees</b> Do your fees cover all of the services                  |         |
| Are there restrictions on going out?  | and activities?   |         |
| Is there public transport nearby?   | Are fees likely to change regularly?                                |         |
| Does the home provide any transport?  | Is the notice period for cancellation of                            |         |
| Can you make/receive calls privately?   | the contract reasonable?  |         |
| Can you decide when to get up and go to bed?  | Could you have a trial period?  Can you keep your room if you go    |         |
| Does the home allow pets?   | into hospital?  |         |
| Does the home use Digital Care Planning accessible to families?   | Can you handle your own money?  *See p                              | age 63. |









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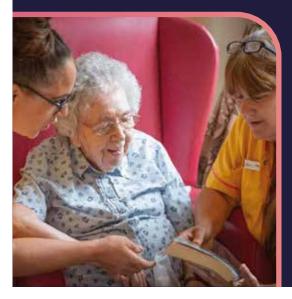
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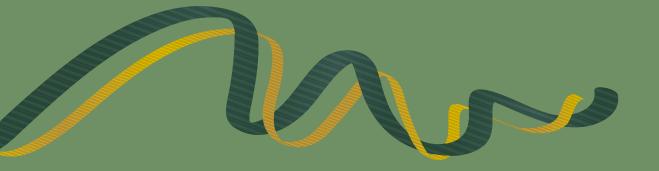
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