

Alternatives to Care Home Admission for People Living with Dementia

Sheffield Dementia Action Alliance was approached by the Interim Director of Adult Social Care, Sheffield City Council to undertake focus group scoping exercise. The area of focus was: to support people living with dementia to live independently and avoid inappropriate care admission where possible.

Interviews with SDAA members were conducted with Sheffield Health & Social Care Trust, Age UK Sheffield, GP, Adult Social Care social workers and commissioners, Learning Disabilities, Sheffield Carers Centre, Sheffield Hallam University, Darnall Dementia Group, Enrichment for the Elderly, people living with dementia and Sheffield Teaching Hospitals.

The following themes were explored:

- 1. Support for carers
- 2. Social Model of Disability/Dementia
- 3. Community Hubs
- 4. Twenty-four-hour care at Home
- 5. Working with Families
- 6. Advanced Care Planning
- 7. Supported Living
- 8. Training
- 9. Navigating the System
- 10. Day Centres

Five recommendations were made and the full report can be found HERE.