

# **ANNUAL REVIEW 2016-17**





## Mark Baker CEO of Age UK Bristol

Despite a challenging funding environment, Age UK Bristol continues to provide the same high quality of services to older people in Bristol.

That's all thanks to our dedicated volunteers, staff, trustees and partners across the city.

But we also need funds to continue the work we are doing. Cuts to funding have left fewer services providing for more older people than ever before. If you could spare a few pounds a month, you can donate online at www.ageukbristol.org.uk or call us on 0117 929 7537.

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### Information and Advice

In the 2016/2017 financial year, our Information and Advice service secured an additional £1,443,426 in benefits for older people in Bristol.

"The Support Worker [from Age UK Bristol] has worked with our client in a way that no-one from our housing association has ever been able to!"

Housing Support The Housing Support team helped 149 vulnerable older people with their housing needs.

#### Telephone befriending

Volunteer telephone befrienders call isolated older people for a chat once a week. It's a lifeline for many older people in the city, and helped 45 clients in 2016-17

IT courses Four volunteers spent 50 hours each teaching small groups of 4-5 clients a time. A total of 48 clients were taught for 5-6 weeks, equalling a total of at least 480 hours tutoring.

"We joined the BAB partnership when it was first set up - it was and still is a fantastic opportunity for charities and other organisations in Bristol to develop closer relationships, find out about each other's services and find ways of working closer together to reduce loneliness and isolation for older people in Bristol." - Jennie Reed, Alive!

New **Beginnings Day Centre** 

New Beginnings Day Centre offers older people a place to meet, make friends and have fun. From craft activities to cups of tea, it's an invaluable space for vulnerable older people. 58 clients had a placement, 32 new clients were taken on and eight volunteers helped to run the service.

## **Celebrating Age Festival**

Returning for a 9th year, CAF saw older people and providers from around the city come together for a day of fun.

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## **Telephone Shopping**

This year the Age UK Bristol Telephone Shopping service helped an average of 15 people each week.



The Footcare service offered over 1,000 appointments and saw around 450 clients.

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