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Age UK Gloucestershire receives ‘highly commended’ certificate in the Working Together Differently category at the 2023 South West Integrated Personalised Care Awards.

Held at Darlington Hall, Devon on 12 December 2023, the awards recognise and thank those in health and care who focus on the ‘What Matters to You’ approach who have influenced a life, as well as the health and care system, as a whole.

For a second year, the SWIPC awards recognised inspirational success stories, with Age UK Gloucestershire being awarded a highly commended certificate in the *Working Together Differently* category for the way it utilises Personal Wellbeing Budgets, allocated by One Gloucestershire Integrated Care System, to facilitate clients with hospital discharge and reduce the risk of readmission.

Dr Mandy Nelson, Head of Operations for Age UK Gloucestershire stated, “We are delighted to receive the highly commended certificate for this category as it recognises the great work the team conducts every day to support people to be discharged home from hospital and stay safe and independent at home after a hospital stay”.

The principle of the South West Integrated Personalised Care Awards (SWIPC) is about empowering people to lead the life they wish to live by asking the person what matters to them, thus giving choice and control over their health care. Age UK

Gloucestershire's Out of Hospital and System Flow Teams listen to every client to find out what is important to them and their situation, and strive to fulfil a personalised care approach.

Age UK Gloucestershire's Out of Hospital Service is funded by One Gloucestershire Integrated Care System and is provided free-of-charge to all eligible people. The service is available to older people who are discharged following a stay in hospital who are aged 65+, reside and are registered with a Gloucestershire GP, and consent to receiving a home visit to discuss needs and circumstances.

For information about Age UK Gloucestershire visit ageuk.org.uk/gloucestershire

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About Age UK Gloucestershire

Age UK Gloucestershire's vision is to make Gloucestershire the best place in which to grow older. As a local independent charity, our mission is to help support people navigate later life, to remain independent at home and to connect socially by accessing activities within the local community.

For more information, visit www.ageuk.org.uk/gloucestershire

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