## Strong & Steady

**EXERCISES TO SUPPORT YOUR HEALTH, WELLBEING AND STRENGTH** 

Strength exercises to support the 6in6 programme.

Try these activities to help improve your bone and muscle strength. Try to complete these 6 exercises two to three times a week combined with other exercises.



Sitting in the front half of your chair with the band around both feet, pull the band towards you pushing your elbows backwards as far as comfortable. Squeeze your shoulder blades together keeping your shoulders down. Slowly move you arms back to the start. REPEAT 8-10 TIMES.



Sit in the front half of the chair, the middle of the band beneath your feet and one end of the band in each hand (hands down by your side). Keeping a slight bend at the elbow, raise your arms and the band towards shoulder height, or tucked into your side, bring your hands as far as comfortable. Slowly lower your arms back to your side. REPEAT 8-10 TIMES.



Sit in the front half of your chair, the middle of the band beneath your feet and one end of the band in each hand (hands down by your side). Keeping your elbows towards your shoulders (like taking a drink). Slowly lower your arms back down to your side. REPEAT 8-10 TIMES.



## Leg Extension

Sitting tall place one foot in the centre of the band and hold one end of the band in each hand. Raise your knee (band side) and tuck your hands into your hips. Hold your hands at your hips, drive your foot forward (leg extended) then return back to the start. REPEAT 8-10 TIMES ON EACH LEG.



Sitting tall with feet and knees together,

wrap the band around your lap. Place your hands on your lap to secure the band. Walk your feet apart until hip width. Move your knees apart (feet flat on the floor), stretching the band, before slowly returning back to the starting position but don't let your knees touch. REPEAT 8-10 TIMES.



## **Chest Press**

Sitting in the back of your chair, pass the band around the back rest and hold one end of the band in each hand. Start with your hands at your chest and elbows at shoulder height, then push your hands forwards, extending your arms (do not fully extend). Bring your hands back towards your chest. **REPEAT 8-10 TIMES.** 



 MAKE SURE YOUR SUPPORT IS STURDY • WEAR SUPPORTIVE SHOES

STOP EXERCISING IF YOU EXPERIENCE CHEST PAIN, SEVERE SHORTNESS OF BREATH OR DIZZINESS, THEN CALL YOUR GP, 111 OR IN AN EMERGENCY 999. • A SLIGHT SORENESS THE FOLLOWING DAY IS QUITE NORMAL