

PRESS RELEASE - for immediate publication

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WE'VE MOVED TO STAINES!

Age UK Surrey is delighted to announce that we are now able to offer our Help at Home service, providing Home Helps and Gardeners, Making Connections, our innovative befriending service, Information & Advice outreach and a new Handyperson service, from our new regional office, which is located in Spelthorne Borough Council, Staines. This is the first time we have been able to provide a range of specialist support to older clients in Spelthorne and Runnymede from one easily accessible location. For further information, please call our local Staines office on: 01784 444200.

Sue Zirps, Chief Executive said: 'This is a very exciting opportunity to bring our services together. We would like to thank Spelthorne Borough Council for accommodating us, so we can continue to serve older people in the Borough.'

Age UK Surrey provides a range of services across the County including our Counselling Service and Feet First – our foot care service. For more information about all of our services please visit our website: www.ageuk.org.uk/surrey

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From left to right: Susan Usher, Sally Penfold, Shirley Levey, Alan Pye, Karen Robson, Di Cheeseman, John Insoll.



More information about Age UK Surrey:

Age UK Surrey is an independent local charity. We work across Surrey to help improve the lives of older people. Our services are designed to enable older people remain independent and informed, healthy and active and connected to their communities. We help combat loneliness and social isolation.

Services include: Information and Advice, Counselling, Help at Home, Computer Drop-in Centre in Guildford, Tea and Chat in Tandridge, Foot Care in clinics across the County, Shopmobility in Guildford, Men in Sheds in Ash, Making Connections in Guildford & Waverley, Handyperson Service and Making Connections in Runnymede & Spelthorne, and Café Culture in Cranleigh.

Numbers of people over 85 continues to grow in Surrey:

- A 25% rise since 2001;
- o 32,300 people in this age group (2014).
- o Nearly 214,000 people are over 65 (2014).
- Statistics show that people in Surrey generally live longer than the national average.
- o In 2012 there were 15,456 people in Surrey living with dementia, predicted to rise to 19,000 by 2020.

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