Age Friendly Stockport?

*Working to make Stockport a better place to grow older...*

A report summarising an action day held at Stockport Town Hall on Tuesday 2nd October 2012
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**“Thank you for a very interesting, enjoyable and well organised meeting”**

(Attendee)
Introduction

On the 2nd October 2012 Age UK Stockport hosted the event ‘Age Friendly Stockport?’. Whilst the day looked to take time to celebrate ageing and the contributions older people make to society, it also set up workshops to consult both service providers and older individuals in the Borough on how collectively, we can work to tackle specific issues that impact on the lifestyle and everyday experiences of local older people.

‘Age Friendly Stockport?’ acknowledges that Stockport as a town, allows for a positive experience of ageing in many ways, however, there is always work to be done to ensure that services are adequately providing for an ageing society and that individuals feel empowered to live active and independent lives.

Context

The event brought together two strands of work which have focused on improving services and the experiences of ageing for individuals:

All Together Now Report: a document from the All Our Tomorrows partnership, reporting on a consultation with over 200 older people in Stockport in 2010 on the needs and aspirations of local people in later life.

The WHO Age Friendly Cities Guide: a document from the World Health Organisation which looks at the wider impacts of an ageing society and specific areas of development which can have a positive impact on this.

In planning the event, it was discovered that the main points of feedback from the All Our Tomorrows event matched with the WHO age friendly city framework. This explains why the Age Friendly cities framework was incorporated as a tool to investigate the key areas of concern in more detail.

Aims and objectives....

1 To take the 2010 consultation forwards by developing specific, practical, low level actions that could be implemented to improve the lives of older people in Stockport.

2 To provide an opportunity for older people and service providers to work alongside each to develop realistic, practical actions to address local issues.

3 To devise a way to work in partnership to implement these actions where possible.

4 To celebrate Older People’s Day bringing local older people together to celebrate ageing in Stockport.

5 To encourage thinking around the role we all have to play in contributing to and in building stronger communities
The Day’s Agenda...

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Speakers:

Mary Milne: Senior Campaigns Officer Age UK
Mary discussed Age Friendly Cities giving people examples of possibilities for making the environment more Age friendly and how we can work locally to achieve this.

Shirley Williams: Safeguarding
This talk highlighted some of the issues relating to safeguarding adults, giving people a sense of the importance of thinking of safeguarding not in isolation but as the core of everything one does. People were encouraged to consider this theme through all areas of work.

Eric Batton: Dementia speaker ‘EDUCATE’
Eric spoke as a member of the EDUCATE from the meadows group to share with the audience his experiences of living with Dementia. EDUCATE speakers offer a real and meaningful example of ageing and the possibilities everyone has for contributing to their community.
Pledge Cards  
My pledge is:  
The day had a strong emphasis on community capacity and in encouraging all individuals that attended the day to think about their own responsibility and contribution to their local community. Pledge cards were used as a vehicle to allow people to make a commitment, either by using their existing skills to support a scheme or perhaps simply being a better neighbour.

Stockport Older People’s Forum.  
Speaking out for our Age....  
The Older People’s Forum had a large presence on the day with a number of members being present and taking part in workshops. Committee members also put together a promotional stall to attract new members and inform those present of the work and activity of the forum. 10 new members were recruited on the day.

Older People’s Day 2012  
The remainder of the day focussed celebrating Older People’s Day the theme of which for 2012 was ‘Big Skills Share’ and was about sharing the different skills and experiences between generations. An number of activities took place in the afternoon that allowed participants to take time to socialise, talk about different initiatives taking place in the borough and celebrate!

The Life Story work which had been produced in partnership with Stockport College was officially unveiled by Cllr Pantall and the exhibition opened to allow those present to share in the memories of local older people that had been captured and portrayed in art works by college students. Gatley U3A choir provided entertainment for all and an interactive quiz about local facts. Upon leaving everyone was presented with a resource pack. This contained suggestions for further action and useful contact numbers relating to the themes of the workshops in a toolkit. Participants experiences of the day were also captured and are featured later in the report.
Planning Workshops

The workshops were the main focus of the day allowing participants to discuss issues and build specific actions around four key themes:

Social Participation
Transport
Tackling Ageism
Environment

Workshops were organised around these areas as they were the main issues for discussion noted from last major consultation in Stockport for older people, as cited in the All Together Now Report 2010 and were matched against key themes from the WHO Age Friendly Cities guide.

Two different types of workshop were in action:

Coproduction Workshops - where participants worked on and discussed issues alongside both front line service providers and strategic workers in the borough. This allowed a good overview of work already taking place to be gained and new opportunities to be discussed, taking into account the direct experiences and interests of local older people.

Older people’s workshops – provided an opportunity for participants to discuss and work through issues, solely from the perspective of local older people without the possibility of being influenced by other agendas.

The mix of these workshops allowed for a thorough and in depth discussion of issues and a rounded view of opportunities for actions.

Workshop Format

10 questions under each theme were constructed for groups to work through. Facilitators were advised that a ‘quality not quantity’ approach would be recommended and for groups to work through questions at their own pace, considering in depth how best to overcome the issue in question.

Safeguarding: participants were asked to consider any safeguarding issues which may be relevant when thinking of solutions to the question.

Communication: The importance of effective communication was also acknowledged as an important aspect to be considered for each solution particularly in the communication of information in empowering people to make informed choices. What are the most appropriate forms of communicating information and how can we utilise these effectively?

“I was involved in the transport debate - brilliant!”

(attendee: participant on transport workshop)
**Workshop Template**

1. **QUESTION:**

2. **IDEAS and SOLUTIONS FOR CHANGE**

3. **OBSTACLES TO OVERCOME**
   (Can you think of anything that could prevent your ideas from happening?)

4. **ACTIONS**
   - **What?** (What can be done - be specific)
   - **Who?** (Think individuals/professionals/groups)
   - **How?** (Exactly what needs to be done to implement?)

**COMMUNICATION**
(What’s the best way to make people aware?)

**KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE**
(Any security/safeguarding issues to consider?)

**CAR PARK** (personal and national issues)
Representatives from the following organisations were present...
Actions

Producing specific actions to take forward was the main focus of the workshops. It was then necessary to consider how we could work to implement these in the most practical way and in a realistic time frame. Actions have therefore been split into short, medium and long term actions.

Short Term
Short term actions will be implemented within 6 to 18 months, focusing on low level issues where the opportunity of taking prompt action can be seized.

Medium Term
Medium term actions identified will be implemented within 2 years and will focus largely on developing partnership work. These, together with short term actions will lay the foundations for addressing key long term actions.

Long Term
Long term actions are to be implemented within 4 years

53
Professionals attended from local organisations

235
Older people attended

95%
Rated the day as excellent
Workshop: Social Participation

With the arrival of the 7 billionth person to our small planet last year, you might be forgiven for querying how it’s possible to be lonely. Our increasing numbers and rising older populations portray a world of opportunities to connect with others. Many people however, remain out of reach of services, statutory bodies and even friends and neighbours. There is a difference of course between being alone and being lonely. Some people choose to be solitary rather than share their lives with others but for those who are lonely, effects on their health and wellbeing can be devastating.

On a personal level, loneliness is something that we can all do something about to alleviate our own or other people’s loneliness. In this workshop we are looking for small local actions to target issues in a manageable way. How can we work collaboratively to enable individuals to fulfil their potential by building connections and opportunities with others where they would like to?

Locally

Stockport has a range of community activities on offer although the coverage of areas can be patchy. The range of activities is diverse but there are still gaps in provision for certain groups. For example, provision is very much female focused; there is not much provision for men’s activities.

In the 2010 consultation you told us...

- Being able to get out and about including access to user friendly transport is essential.
- Being part of a community and engaging in local activities was recognised as being an important factor.
- Participants felt that attention to environmental issues is important such as more public seating benches with attention being paid to uneven pavements.
- The importance of social relationships in the promotion and protection of health and wellbeing.
- The importance of personal responsibility in relation to maintaining independence.

Questions

Q. Who can help to identify socially isolated people and what should they do to let people know about their options?
Q. How can tackling isolation be built into health services as this is often the first service within which this need is identified?
Q. What can we all do on a personal level to help connect with our local community? What can be done to facilitate this?
Q. How can we ensure that the promotion of services for older people is community wide? Please be specific about who can help to facilitate this process.
Q. How can groups include members that can’t attend every week?
Q. What is the best way to hold up to date information on community groups across Stockport? How can this be updated best? Who should participate in this collection?
Q. How can we ensure that all areas of Stockport have access to a similar range of activities?
Q. How should people be invited to events, which methods of communication are best?
Q. What can community activities do to encourage the participation of people of different ages, interests and cultural backgrounds?
Q. How can ‘hidden costs’ of social activities such as transport be kept down?
Q. What opportunities would people like to see provided in their local area that are not already available?
Q. What can we do in Stockport to encourage the wider participation of men in activities? What activities need to be provided?

Actions...

Below are the actions that were suggested in the workshops on the Social Isolation theme. It is interesting to note that of critical concern to all groups and in the answers to all questions was the issue of transport. It is not new news that the two themes are linked but this must be taken note of and is useful information for people considering acting on the theme of social participation.

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<td>2. To consider an article in the paper to ask community groups to let us know details of their activities so these can be included in the database.</td>
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<td>3. To develop a volunteer role to specifically and proactively tackle social isolation.</td>
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<td>4. To approach the local paper and local newsletters to feature a local activity group to raise awareness and encourage new members.</td>
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<td>1. Investigate opportunities for training with a wider range of professionals in Stockport to raise awareness of the signs of social isolation and how people can be supported.</td>
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<td>2. To look at ways to support and encourage groups to advertise themselves.</td>
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<td>3. Encouraging and supporting groups to work towards a charter of best practice to make groups accessible and effective in their support of older people.</td>
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<td>4. To look at opportunities for increasing multicultural membership of groups in Stockport.</td>
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<td>5. To investigate transport links to support groups, use of volunteers/minibuses etc.</td>
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<td>2. Empowering and supporting individuals to set up activities they would like to have available in their area that are sustainable and can run independently.</td>
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Workshop: Transport

Independence is critical to the wellbeing of older people and transport is critical to independent living. Older people want to continue using the mainstream transport system, by either driving themselves or using public transport. Transport is one of the main components in how we organise our lives. For people with high mobility needs, transport is crucial to maintaining independence, reducing social isolation and supporting ‘active ageing’ particularly as health declines. As we age, our ability to get out and about is affected by environmental, social and psychological factors. These can include: bus design and the positioning of bus stops; the lack of formal crossings or crossings not in the correct places; personal safety concerns; experiences of taxi journeys; the prospect of giving up driving and the need to use bespoke community transport.

Accessible transport supports:
- People to use health and social care services
- People to stay healthy and remain independent
- Reduces social isolation enabling access to family, friends, leisure, shops, education, employment
- Community cohesion and community networks

Locally
There is a range of transport opportunities across the Borough but problems have been noted around coverage and capacity. Although some people have reported very positive experiences, we have had reports from clients that booking services are not always user friendly and drivers of transport services are not always aware of older people’s needs. How can we work collaboratively to make everyone aware of older people’s needs to provide a wider ranging and consistent service that meets individuals’ requirements?

In 2010 you told us….
- That lack of transport was a major barrier to being able to get out and being active in the community.
- Some of the current community transport services available have been quoted as being unreliable and inadequate.
- Cuts in provision of community group buses have posed a threat to the continuation of social groups that are at the hub of local communities.
- For many of the members, these groups are their only opportunity for social contact.
- The provision of basic, affordable and reliable transport is a high priority for older people in the Borough.

Workshop Questions

Q. How can we ensure that older people are kept informed of travel options without using the internet?
Q. What gaps in transport provision does Stockport currently have and how can they be filled?
Q. How can transport services be more age friendly? Who can do this?
Q. Communication of available transport services is essential. Who should be responsible for holding up to date information in Stockport and how?
Q. How can timetables be changed in order to make the information more accessible and easier to read?
Q. Can people afford the transport they need to use in order to make their health and social care appointments? What could be changed to make this easier?

Q. How can community transport services be supported to increase their capacity?

Q. Can you think of any innovative solutions to transport issues that are not currently being employed in Stockport? What are these and how could we implement them?

Q. Do transport providers need any training, if so what and by whom?

**Actions...**

Transport was an area rich with practical suggestions there were too many to put into the section as individual actions. Age UK Stockport will be able to share this information with the relevant professionals and lobby for change and progress on these actions. The full data will be used to do this but for the purposes of this report some of the key suggested actions are tabulated below.

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| **Short term actions** | 1. Investigate “charm school” training for bus drivers-possibly delivered by a team of older volunteers?  
2. Investigate training for private hire taxi companies similar to the above suggested that this might be part of licensing requirements.  
3. Mapping services for community transport so it is easy to find out what is on offer.  
4. Article on transport in Age UK Stockport newsletter listing what is on offer and asking for volunteer drivers to support community transport schemes where possible and appropriate.  
5. Investigate provision of timetables etc where they are placed and the print size on them.  
6. Meeting with Ring and Ride to discuss the points raised at the action day.  
7. Possibility of a Stockport Bus Day. Encouraging people to give them a try by having a free service for the day.  
8. Raising awareness of how to report problems so bus companies can act on issues.  
9. Approaching the Civic Review and local paper for better promotion of transport on offer in Stockport. |
| **Medium term actions** | 1. Investigate benefit support for people travelling to and from hospital appointments and raise awareness of these opportunities.  
2. Seeking more opportunities for transport providers to consult with older people.  
3. Looking to increase information about transport to and from hospital in health communications. (i.e. in letters sent out to arrange hospital appointments.)  
4. Investigating the possibility of providing more disabled parking spaces. |
| **Long term actions**   | 1. Working locally to maintain current levels of transport provision.  
2. Extension of schemes such as Communicare / increased community transport capacity.  
3. Possibly working with bus and taxi companies to rate drivers on courtesy via “secret shoppers” as people don’t seem to be reporting problems.  |
Workshop: Tackling Ageism

The problem of ageism is not new. The issue is quite straightforward as a concept but harder to address practically as an issue. Older people report experiencing conflicting types of behaviour and attitudes towards them. On the one hand, many feel they are often respected, recognized and included, while on the other, they experience lack of consideration in the community, in service provision, hospital settings and in the family. This clash is explained in terms of a changing society and behavioural norms, lack of contact between generations, and widespread ignorance about ageing and older people.

Locally

Stockport has the highest population of older people in the Greater Manchester area. With the population of over 65’s being the fastest growing demographic, it is important that continuing work is carried out to raise awareness around the views and needs of older people in the community and that we work to promote the autonomy and empowerment of older people.

In 2010 you told us...

- That older people still feel as though their viewpoint isn’t always listened to although organisations that work on behalf of vulnerable groups are very good in their advocacy work, there are still organisations that are not aware or compassionate to older people’s needs and fall short of providing an adequate service.

- That when groups come together to challenge issues this gives more impetus and strength to arguments and gives them the confidence to challenge and raise issues in the first place. Being a part of a like minded group supports people to express their views and have their voice heard allowing for the recognition of each other’s needs.

- Many older people feel excluded from digital technology and disadvantaged as a result. A clear need was identified for the use of a range of a range of methods in order to make information accessible to older people.

Workshop Questions:

Q. Give an example of positive treatment you have had? What was good about it? Suggest how best practice can be shared.

Q. Give one example of an ageist situation that has been encountered and a solution in working to tackle this problem?

Q. What can be done to encourage older people to speak up about ageism in:
   a) Hospital setting
   b) Care at home

Q. Name one change an organisation in Stockport can make to tackle ageism.

Q. What opportunities or roles could be developed in Stockport that would allow older people to utilise their skills and experiences to benefit the local community should they want to?

Q. How can activity providers be encouraged to be more inclusive so that as many activities as possible include people of all ages?

Q. Which staff should receive training on ageism? Who can implement and how can it be implemented?
Q. How can we best work to provide older people with the skills and access to the many benefits, services and offers available online?

Q. How can activity providers be encouraged to consider older people’s needs more?

Actions...

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| **Short Term Actions** | 1. Take issues to local Older People’s Forum to discuss.  
2. Volunteer role for older people as trainers to provide training to frontline staff incl. bus drivers, healthcare professionals, retailers etc.  
3. Enquire about printing more good news stories with the local newspaper. |
| **Medium Term Actions** | 1. Promote group or anonymous reporting of ageist incidents and the pathways to do this.  
2. To continue to communicate access to computer courses available in the Borough through a range of mediums. Encourage partnership work to meet this need.  
3. To ensure the Older People’s Forum are consulted on developments and services locally where appropriate.  
4. Investigate provision of more seating in shops.  
5. Encourage links between schools and local community groups/sheltered housing schemes/residential homes. |
| **Long Term Actions** | 1. Source funding and opportunities for more intergenerational activity and work to set activities up.  
2. Continue to monitor and make older people aware of rights and issues relating to them to work to empower local older people. |

“I enjoyed the group participation and meeting a genuinely nice crowd of people”  
(Attendee)
Workshop: Environment

The outside environment and public buildings have a major impact on the mobility, independence, everyday experience and quality of life of older people and affect their ability to “age in place”. Any approach to people’s independence and well-being must take into account the emotional and psychological as well as physical impacts and obstacles in the landscape that affect quality of life. Current research demonstrates that, as people age, remaining in a familiar home and neighbourhood tends to become more important. In this workshop we are looking for small local actions to target issues in a manageable way.

Examples of aspects of the outdoor environment that can make it inaccessible for older people are:

- Bad or poorly maintained pavements.
- Fear of crime.
- Lack of benches. This is related to the difficulty in walking a long distance because of health conditions associated with ageing, such as shortage of breath, lack of stamina and lack of accessible public toilets.
- Traffic and car parking. This is mainly related to heavy traffic in conjunction with poor condition of pavements or location of traffic lights, which make walking and crossing the road difficult and unpleasant. Cars parked on pavements also make it difficult for everyone and especially older people with mobility impairment.
- Housing options that do not adequately meet the changing needs of individuals as they age.

Locally

Stockport has an ageing population, with increasing needs and new challenges. What actions can you create as a group to help Stockport become more age friendly?

In the 2010 Consultation you told us...

- That to aid and encourage people to engage in their community, attention to environmental issues was important, highlighting issues such as public seating, uneven pavements.
- Issues of security and protection within the home and also within the community were noted as being paramount to the promotion of general wellbeing.
- The lack in provision of appropriate public toilet facilities was also highlighted as an issue that can have a detrimental impact towards older people’s health as well as their ability to get out and about.

Workshop Questions

Q. How should people be able to make positive suggestions that could help improve the environment? How can we make sure everyone is aware of these?

Q. Give examples of barriers that discourage people from leaving their homes. What can be done to tackle each of these?

Q. What can be done to make older people more secure in their community?

Q. What can be done to improve security in our community?

Q. How can people be best informed about housing options available to them?
Q. How can we ensure that all future plans consider age friendly improvements? Who should be involved and what should be done?

Q. What can we do to make housing more accessible and user friendly, considering individuals changing needs?

Q. What can be done to improve the design of the environment? Please consider a few specific examples giving problems and solutions.

**Actions...**

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| **Short term actions** | 1. Publicising community toilet scheme in local newsletters and media.  
2. User friendly guide on home adaptations and the possible routes and services.  
3. Article on personal safety and associated services on offer for older people in Stockport.  
4. Investigate links between planners and older people so that “Age Friendly” issues are considered.  
5. Enquire if Stockport Council is able to take on the Age Friendly Cities Framework as a guiding document. |
| **Medium term actions** | 1. Supporting council to recruit more premises for the community toilet scheme.  
2. Encourage people to be good neighbours and take responsibility for their own areas.  
3. Encourage people to report specific problems with regards to their local environment and raise awareness of the means to do this. |
| **Long term actions** | 1. Investigate night time police presence.  
2. Link more intergenerational groups reducing the fear between different age groups and increasing mutual respect |

**Next Steps...**

Work going forward will consist of meetings and various work streams between local partners and older people’s groups to enable us to implement actions. All developments and actions will be logged so that outcomes can be measured. Age UK Stockport will report back on progress at the end of the year to keep all updated with progress.
Life Story Work

An official opening ceremony of the Life Story work – a collaborative project between Stockport College and Age UK Stockport took place on the day.

Students made visits to day centres in Marple and South Reddish, where they spent valuable time talking to people at various stages of dementia.

Students then used this information as a catalyst to make illustrations, based on the things talked about. Stories about their lives, things they did, anecdotes or fragments of memories became pictures.

Showcasing the artwork gave an opportunity for all who attended to take time to share in these memories.
Feedback and Evaluation

Individual pledges were captured and will be posted back to individuals to remind them of the pledge made and to encourage them to pursue this.

Individuals who attended were asked to provide feedback; both positive and negative so that learning could be taken away and used to shape future events.

Data also shows breakdown of the areas in Stockport where attendees lived.
Pledge Cards

To be a good neighbour 23
To continue with my existing voluntary work 27
To join Stockport Older People’s Forum 5
To start volunteering 4
To speak to my friend about transport for a luncheon club 3
Continue working to educate people about dementia 3
To involve more people in activities 2
To smile at everyone I meet 2
To get more involved with my local community 2
Campaign to improve transport 2
To learn to play the Ukelele 1
To increase my interaction with groups 1
To help people with a smile 1
To retire at 100 1
To recruit more volunteers 1
To start a carers support group 1
To take responsibility for my community 1
To run a charity coffee morning every 4 weeks 1
To join and attend an over 50’s group 1
To lobby the government 1

“yes please, more meetings like this!”

(attendee)
What people enjoyed the most...
Workshops 26%
The whole day 13%
Choir 11%
Meeting new people/company 10%
Hearing other people’s views 9%
Lunch 6%
Quiz 5%
The friendly atmosphere 4%
Speakers 4%
Useful feedback and information 3%
The discussions and friendliness 2%
Eric Batton’s speech 2%
Shirley William’s Speech 1%
Hearing about different things 1%
The participation 1%
Art exhibition 1%
Entertainment 1%

What people enjoyed the least
Nothing, all of it was good 27%
Speeches 21%
Poor sound quality / trouble hearing speakers 18%
The choir 12%
Too much background noise 5%
Unable to see the screen 3%
Food 3%
Quiz 3%
The art exhibition 2%
Lack of time 2%
Getting a parking slot 2%
Stalls more variety next time 1%
Consultation exercise 1%
**Area Postcodes**

Figures show areas for individuals that registered their details for the event. A number of people turned up on the day who had not registered their details prior to the event.

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**Priority one Areas** (Areas which fall within the 5% most deprived nationally according to the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2007.)

- Offerton 2
- Central 3

5 People attended from priority one areas.
Thank you

Age UK Stockport would like to thank all those who supported and were involved with the event that helped to make the day such a success.

If you would like to help steer the work going forward from ‘Age Friendly Stockport?’ and would like to working groups will be set up over the coming months with an aim to integrate actions locally.