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Policy & Research Update November 2018

At Age UK, we are very fortunate to be able to learn from the work of local Age UKs, who run a wide variety of services to help older people maximise their income and maintain their health and wellbeing. One such service is our 'warm and well' programme, the evaluation of which we share in this month's bulletin.

Warm wishes,

Jane Vass, Director of Policy and Research

News

To mark Talk Money Week, Age UK released new research which suggests that ['being in control of finances has a positive effect on mental health'](#). In response to the findings, Caroline Abrahams commented "At Age UK we believe that each and every older person should have enough money to live without having to struggle and participate fully in society. Without that it's easy to see how people can feel unhappy, anxious and less connected to the outside world."

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Featured publication

[Warm and Well programme evaluation](#)

The Warm and Well programme has run for one year and aims to provide Information and Advice (I&A) to help older people ensure that they are receiving all the welfare benefits, grants and other income available to them (income maximisation). [Click here](#) to read the full report, and [here](#) to see Age UK's page on the project.

[Read the report >](#)

Consultation responses

[A new deal for Social Housing](#) - Age UK respond to the consultation from the Ministry of House, Communities and Local Government.

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APP Scams Steering Group Consultation. Age UK sets out its response to the draft code which aims to reduce the occurrence of APP scams.

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Age UK's response to Financial Conduct Authority's consideration of the need for a new duty to protect consumers. Click here to read Age UK's view.

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Blog

[Longer tenancies would be good news for older private renters.](#)

Lisabel Miles, Age UK London volunteer writes about the importance of security for the health and wellbeing of older tenants.

More from Age UK

Age UK information guides and factsheets

The following factsheets have had an annual review and have been updated: Specialist housing for older people, and buying retirement housing.

These are available to download from [the Age UK website](#).

Large Print versions of all the factsheets are now also available to download from [the Age UK website](#).

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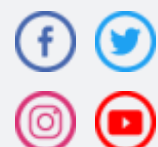
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