

Voice & Representation of People aged 50+ Network

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Funders:

3 year project:

- North Yorkshire County Council
- ☐ Craven Communities Together
- North Yorkshire CCG
- ☐ Vale of York CCG





Task:

- ☐ To develop an overarching network bringing together residents and organisations
- ☐ To deliver thorough representation to the voice of those aged 50+ across North Yorkshire
- ☐ To engage effectively with local services and feedback on the issues that matter most
- ☐ To ensure sustainability beyond the 3 year project





Background

WHO Global Network For Age-Friendly Cities and Communities

- ☐ Residents aged 50+ = growing demographic in North Yorkshire
- ☐ NYCC working towards becoming a recognised 'Age-friendly

community' – part of the national network

- \blacksquare Aim = improve health & wellbeing of people aged 50+
- ☐ To succeed they need to:
 - gather the county's voice covering all geographical locations and all residents, including those who are seldom heard
 - communicate to services
 - implement satisfactory outcomes



Did You Know?

Approach

- ☐ Mapping existing over 50s and gathering information:
 - Forums
 - Groups / voluntary organisations
 - Individuals
- ☐ Liaising with 'good examples' across the UK
- Collating the opinions of existing residents, groups and voluntary organisations
- ☐ Here to work alongside and complement historical success already achieved



Age-Friendly Framework

8 domains



Current thoughts

- ☐ Findings = engagement is a challenge = needs creative thinking
- ☐ Create 'hook'
- ☐ Survey eligible residents covering all 8 domains
- ☐ Develop an 'age-friendly' vision
- Eligible residents register to:



- Regular newsletter
- Opportunities to get their voice heard (eg Q&A session Director of Health & Adult Services)



Next step



☐ Work together with a diverse range of North Yorkshire residents aged 50+ to design and develop the network





Launch

- ❖ 1 October 2022 : International Day of Older People
- Events around North Yorkshire
- Animated video
- Poster
- Membership registrations





Co-design



- ❖ Ask for members to help co-design the structure/management of the network
- These 'volunteers' will not necessarily form any agreed steering group / committee / partnership board





Potential volunteer opportunities



Existing group representative

Locality lead

District lead

Domain lead

Focus group member

Steering group member

Partnership board member





Collaboration

Every North Yorkshire resident aged 50+ is entitled to membership



Volunteer eligibility criteria:

- Aged 50+
- Resident in North Yorkshire

Interested in a launch pack? . . . Drop me an email: vivienne.fleming@communityfirstyorkshire.org.uk





THANK YOU

for your time



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