



## Bucks Service User and Carer Organisation

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### **News and Information Bulletin Week Beginning 7 January 2013**

SUCO receives a variety of information from many different sources. Where possible we will pass this information on to people and organisations within our network, via this bi-monthly bulletin.

We hope that you find some/all of the information below of interest. If you have any material that you would like publicised in this bulletin please send it to Debi Game tel: 07817 530611 email: [debi@suco.org.uk](mailto:debi@suco.org.uk)

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#### **An Unique Opportunity to Help Shape Adult Social Care Services in Buckinghamshire**

Do you use Adult Social Care Services in Buckinghamshire? Do you care for someone who does?

If the answer to either of these questions is yes there is a great opportunity for you to influence how these services are designed and delivered.

Buckinghamshire County Council needs Adult Social Care Service Users and Carers to represent the interests of their community on a number of Partnership Boards. To make this happen the SUCO has been asked to help recruit and support Service Users and Carers.

There are significant changes taking place to the way Adult Social Care Services are delivered locally - including those brought about by the Care Reform Bill and the replacement of Disabled Living Allowance by Personal Independence Payments. Now is a critical time for the voice of Service Users and Carers to influence the decisions taken by the council as services are reformed.

Interested? If you would like to find out more contact Debi on [debi@suco.org.uk](mailto:debi@suco.org.uk) or on 0300 777 2711.

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#### **Newsletters**

Community Impact Bucks – Christmas Newsletter

<http://charityemail.org.uk/ESU-13BNL-F26UQ98A5F/cr.aspx>

Alzheimer's Society – Winter 2012. PDF attached to this bulletin.

Aylesbury Vale Community Safety – Issue 1. PDF attached to this bulletin.

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## Events

Dementia Awareness Training - Buckinghamshire County Council and MKB Care – Various dates and locations December 2012 – February 2013. PDF attached to this bulletin.

Supporting People who Communicate with Behaviours that Challenge – MKB Care – January and February 2013, Chesham and Aylesbury. PDF attached to this bulletin.

Annual Funding Fair – Aylesbury Vale District Council - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2013 13.00 – 18.00 Aylesbury. Save the date, more details to follow in the New Year

End of Life Care Forum – MKB Care – 24 January 2013 Beaconsfield. PDF attached to this bulletin.

Obesity 2013 Conference – 27 February 2013 Manchester  
<http://www.publicserviceevents.co.uk/238/obesity-and-related-conditions>

Breatheasy Buckinghamshire – Launch of Family, Friends and Carers Group 11 January 2013 High Wycombe. Flyer attached to this bulletin.

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## Information

Statement by the Minister for Disabled People on Changes to Disability Living Allowance  
<http://www.dwp.gov.uk/newsroom/ministers-speeches/2012/13-12-12.shtml>

Carers Trust – The Times Carer Supplement  
<http://dmtrk.com/l34-15RIN-E33DEJ6WDC/cr.aspx>

HS2 Consultation  
<http://highspeedrail.dft.gov.uk/consultations-0>

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## Training

MKB Care – Current Training and Development Opportunities  
<http://www.mkbcare.org.uk/training/courses.html>

Community Impact Bucks – Training Events  
[http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/training\\_events.php](http://www.communityimpactbucks.org.uk/training_events.php)

Promoting Service User and Carer Engagement in Buckinghamshire.