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Health & Social Care Locality Plan Eildon 2017-2019 Easy Read



About Eildon



There are over 35,000 people living in Eildon.



1 in 5 people are aged 65 years and over. In 20 years time we think that 1 in 3 people will be over the age of 65 years.



This means there are less people of working age living in the area.



About 1 in 5 people in Eildon live outside the main towns.

This means they do not have health and social care services near them.



There is not much transport. Some people feel lonely and isolated.



Lots of people in Eildon go to the Borders General Hospital as an emergency.

Introduction



A locality plan is a plan that says what will happen in an area of the Borders. This is the locality plan for Eildon.

The locality plan gives information about the changes that are planned for health and social care.

The locality plan explains how we bring people in communities and local organisations together to:

 support people take more responsibility for their own health and wellbeing

•help support each other to live active, independent, safe and healthy lives



We need to do this because:

- •people are living longer
- more people may need support from services
- •we need to work together more
- •we want to make services better for people.

What we have done so far



Local people met together to work out what was important in their area.

They helped write this plan with their good ideas.

What we plan to do



Have more local services.



We need to improve some ways of working.



We will look at new ways to work together. This will help us to save money and use people's time well.



We have a 'What Matters Hub' in Eildon. This is a place to go to find out information about health and social care.



We want to make services easier to get to. We will look at transport problems in Eildon.



We will have more local care and support. This will help people live independently in their own communities.

We will have new transitional care beds in Waverly Care Home.



- A transitional bed is a place to go when:
 - •you have been ill in hospital
 - •you do not need hospital care
 - •you are not ready to go to your own home
 - •you get support to get stronger.
 - •you stay here for a few weeks.



We will use technology to keep you safe and well.



We will look for different types of housing to help people stay well and independent.



We will support unpaid Carers to continue in their caring role. We want carers to stay fit and well

Hospital

We want to support more people in the community. We want less people to go to Borders General Hospital.



We will support people with long term conditions in the community.

A long term condition is:

- •a health problem that lasts more than 1 year
- •it affects your life
- •you might always need care and support.



We want less people to go to hospital because of drugs and alcohol.

Drinking too much alcohol can make you ill. Taking some drugs can make you ill.

How will we know that the plan is working?



We will set up a system to check the plan is working.

We will ask people what they think.



We will check our plan is doing what the Scottish Government said we should do.



We will update the plan every year.

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