





South Area
Better Together
Service

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Who We Work With

Local older people

Area council teams

BOPPAA

Local businesses

Community groups

Volunteers

Schools - intergenerational projects

Age Friendly Barnsley





Delivered

One to ones - 250 over the two years.

312 local older people attending groups each week.

New groups set up - 21

Community groups supported - 38

Intergenerational projects - **14**

Events - 26 across the 4 wards over the 2 years.











Information & Advice service

£81,343.88 Benefit Gains for the South Area.

This has been achieved through the support of a specialist advisor one day per week.

Pension Age only - full support.

Includes benefit checks, housing advice, blue badge, wills, care packages, home energy checks and so much more.







Key Milestones

- Service started 1st September 2021.
- Community groups established in all four wards.
- Established community car scheme.
- Increased awareness about the service.
- Events have taken place in all wards.



BOPPAA

 Barnsley Older People Physical Activity Alliance.

 Increases physical activity opportunities for older people across Barnsley to improve strength and balance.

SIOs refer service users in the groups.

BOPPAA groups in the south include:

Walking groups

Tai Chi

► Falls Management Exercise Classes.





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Events and Celebrations

- 26 events attended over the 2 years including:
 - Winter Warm events
 - Jubilee parties
 - Age Friendly celebrations
 - Christmas parties
 - Summer Galas
 - Intergenerational events
 - King Charles Coronation
 - Dementia Awareness Week
 - Many more!







Key Challenges

- Mobility and transport.
- Volunteer recruitment.
- Reaching the most isolated/vulnerable people.
- Receiving appropriate referrals.
- Improving confidence to get service users out.



Volunteers

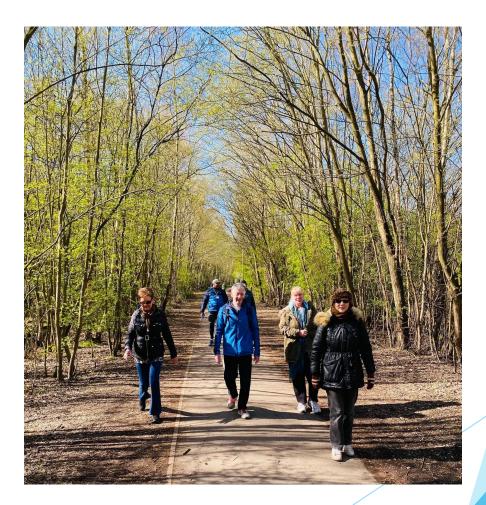
Total active volunteers: 23

1,317 hours of volunteering across the 2 years.

Social value of: £21,089.66

115 Community car journeys

Recruitment







Next Steps/Focus

- Volunteer recruitment drives.
- Strive to reach the most isolate and vulnerable in the community through Eyes On The Ground.
- Identify gaps for new social groups to expand the offering in communities.
- Continue to work with service users one to one to build confidence and reduce loneliness / isolation.









Recent Events















Any Questions?