

Supporting older people at home

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<p>Expand our Meals on Wheels service:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – test a new range of chilled products – pilot the provision of additional meal services including breakfast boxes, snacks and evening meals. 	<p>Part-met</p> <p>Two new Meals on Wheels projects were set up in East Hertfordshire and Derby.</p> <p>We also extended five large contracts delivering meals to Brighton & Hove, West Sussex; Reading, Berkshire; Waverley, Surrey; West Sussex and Windsor & Maidenhead, Berkshire.</p> <p>Unfortunately, we lost four contracts in Cambridgeshire; North Devon; Blackburn with Darwen, Lancashire and Bath.</p> <p>We introduced our new range of hot meals using chilled products. They have been adopted by councils in Brighton & Hove, Waverley and Windsor & Maidenhead. The new meals have received glowing reviews from people who have received them. They appreciate the better taste and improved range of vegetables.</p> <p>We are also now offering a range of additional products such as fresh salads, breakfast items, sandwiches and snack packs to older people in 12 areas, providing people who have difficulty getting to the shops and preparing meals with a more varied diet and choice.</p>
<p>Develop 22 new services supporting older people at home.</p>	<p>Part-met</p> <p>Eight new Good Neighbours schemes opened in Adur, Surrey; Bedfordshire; Blackburn with Darwen, Lancashire; Hertfordshire; Kirklees, West Yorkshire; Peacehaven, East Sussex; Stoke-on-Trent and Suffolk.</p> <p>These projects already help an additional 1,000 older people with shopping, tasks at home and other support to enable them to live independently at home.</p> <p>During the year we secured funding for a further five projects in Birmingham; Bromley, Kent; East Lothian; Newport, South Wales and Somerset, and began recruiting volunteers. We expect these to be up and running later in 2007.</p> <p>We expanded a number of home library services, for example adding four new areas in North Yorkshire, serving more than 200 additional older people.</p>

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<p>Launch three new community transport schemes.</p>	<p>Part-met New schemes were launched in Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire and a shuttle service in Broxbourne, Hertfordshire.</p> <p>In addition we integrated and expanded the transport services we provide in the Scottish Borders and Berwick-upon-Tweed.</p>