



# Seniors Information and Home Safety Projects

# Context

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- Sure Start to Later Life
- Shock of the Old
- Link Age Plus
- POPPS
- Building a Society for all Ages

# Learning

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- Understanding how seniors are excluded and how they access absorb information
- Part of CIB Silver Hubs programme
- Leeds Infostore
- Beacon Councils
  - Cotswolds Village Agents
  - Camden age proofing

# Mechanisms

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- Improving quality of available of information
- Producing targeted information
- Web based information
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- Improving quality of available of information
  - Good practice guide
  - Working with agencies

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- Producing targeted information
  - Welfare benefit take-up
  - Tackling fuel poverty
  - Healthy messages
  - Reacting to circumstances (i.e. hot weather)

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- Web based information
  - “No door the wrong door”
  - Web portal
  - Refresh of Southampton Online
  - Brainstore
    - health care and wellbeing project
  - Worked with IT company and Centre for Research on Ageing on handheld technology

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- Using and developing networks
  - Mapping existing networks and community resources
  - Building links
  - Exploring Senior Wardens
  - Working with ward-based multi-agency groups

# Home Safety Project

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- Originated through Later Years Partners
- City Council provided 'seed' funding
- Short pilot until 2010
- Project under development
  - Branding
  - Systems

# Partner Agencies



Part of the Department  
for Work and Pensions

## CAREline

Southampton  
Intergenerational Network  
Supported Housing (Mobile  
Wardens)

Handyperson Scheme



HAMPSHIRE  
**FIRE AND  
RESCUE**  
SERVICE



# The Scheme

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- Simple home checklist
- Used by all partners in the scheme
- Co-ordinator arranges the response
- Training with agencies
- Publicity

The future:-

- Expand the number of partners
- Aim for self referral

# National Falls Awareness Day.



You are invited to

## Having Fun, Feeling Fit

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2pm to 4pm

The Quays Swimming and Diving Complex, Harbour Parade

- Launch of the **Having Fun, Feeling Fit** exhibition by the Mayor of Southampton (2pm)
- **Nintendo Wii** taster sessions
- **Tai Chi** taster session (3pm)
- **Chair based exercise** demonstrations (2.15pm, 3.30pm)
- Find out about **Life to the Full** and the **Healthy Eating** Project
- Get information on the **Life to the Full Small Grants Fund** and the **Mayor's Challenge** for those over 60
- **Free refreshments**



If you're over 60, come along for a free swim too!

For more information phone Tracey Arrowsmith on 023 8091 5438



# Sloppy Slippers Exchange Event A Falls Prevention Initiative

International Day of Osteoporosis

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009

Ironside Court

Southampton

10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m