

The News



WELCOME TO BASSETLAW PLACE PARTNERSHIP NEWS

Bassetlaw has a strong history of people and organisations working together to improve the health and lives of local people. We are strengthening this collaboration through the further development of a *Place Partnership* made up of organisations that play an active role on this important agenda.

Our core Bassetlaw Place Partnership is made up of Healthwatch Nottingham, Bassetlaw Community and Voluntary Service, the three Bassetlaw Primary Care Networks (groups of GPs), Nottinghamshire County Council, Bassetlaw District Council, Doncaster, and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, and Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

Bassetlaw Clinical Commissioning Group, also a current member of the Place Partnership, will be forming part of the new Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care System (ICS) from July 2022 (subject to legislation). The ICS will also continue to actively engage in the work of the Place Partnership.

This may be a long list of partners, but we have one shared goal: to work together to improve the health of people in Bassetlaw. Our priority in the next six months is to tackle health inequalities and focus on the needs of our community. In particular how we improve support for those with mental health concerns or those who are particularly vulnerable.

The wider **Place** priorities are:

- Sustainability (environmental and financial)
- Meeting the same day/urgent needs of local people
- Supporting those with mental health needs
- Tackling health inequalities especially for our most vulnerable
- Focusing on the needs of children and younger people
- Promoting inclusiveness through digital confidence
- Reducing social isolation and loneliness.

Let us know what you think the priorities are for your area.

Bassetlaw partners supporting local third sector groups

Bassetlaw CCG has recently announced a series of grants to 12 local groups working to improve the health of people in Bassetlaw. They include; APTCOO; Aurora, Bassetlaw Action Centre; Barnsley Premier Leisure; Citizens Advice Bureau; Children's Bereavement Centre; MIND; FREED Beeches; Royal Voluntary Society; The Sleep Charity; TalkZone; Harmless.

These groups provide help for people with physical health, mental health, psychological and social needs as well as promoting positive health and well being.

Lesley Carver, Head of Transformation Community and Health Inequalities at the CCG said: "We know that healthcare is so much more than what happens in GP surgeries, clinics and hospitals. Community support for a range of physical and mental ill health is vital in reducing inequalities and raising the health of our population. We are proud to work with these groups to serve the community across Bassetlaw."





Proud to work with "You Before Two"

Bassetlaw CCG is delighted to be working with "You Before Two": a new charitable foundation created to promote the sexual and mental health education given to secondary school-aged children in the North Nottinghamshire area.

They run workshops in schools, aiming to empower young men and women to truly understand key concepts such as the true meaning of sexual consent, good mental resilience and the planned wanted baby.

Five short films have been released for use in schools covering topics from penile and vulval health to periods and consent. Lesson plans and student factsheets to accompany each video will be available in early 2022. Every penny spent on lesson plans will go towards the production of the 2022 films.

Bassetlaw CCG funds Home from Hospital Service

We know that older people returning home from hospital without enough support are more than twice as likely to be readmitted within three months. But this can be avoided by having the right support in place.

Bassetlaw CCG funds the Home from Hospital Service provided by the Royal Voluntary Service (RVS). This targets and prioritises at-risk people, living alone, with a carer or co-caring, with limited or no social support or social care.

The RVS team provides practical and social support for after illness, surgery, or accident, which can make all the difference to restoring essential self-confidence, leading to improved health and wellbeing, and reducing readmissions.

Those benefitting from the Home from Hospital service feel more confident and they feel generally happier. In terms of cost-benefit, 30-day readmission rates have been reduced in pilots. Only 9% of the vulnerable group aged 85 or over were readmitted, compared to the national average of 15% for over 75s.



CCG and Nottinghamshire MIND working together to offer 'Safe Space'

The CCG is delighted to be able to fund some of the work of Nottinghamshire MIND. In particular, we are supporting their Safe Space and peer support services.

Safe Space is a drop-in service for anyone aged over 18 living in Bassetlaw. The drop-ins are open each evening in different central locations throughout Bassetlaw and provide a safe and welcoming space for people in need of practical and emotional support.

The mental health-trained intervention workers welcome clients with warmth and provide support so that the person in need can access a blended service; including supportive listening, development of safe plans, referrals, and signposting to local agencies.

More information can be found
www.nottinghamshiremind.org.uk

