## **Bracknell Forest Dementia Strategy**

# The story so far!



Improve access to personalised support in the community where appropriate.

- Holistic assessment
- Home Treatment Team
- Community Support and Wellbeing (Dementia) Team
- Dementia Advisor
- Duty Officer
- Personalisation
- Healthlands revamp = Doubled the amount of day centre places
- Woodlands closed
- The Forgetters
- Telecare



Skilled and experienced support in all settings

- All CMHT (OA) staff undertake specialist Dementia training
- Extended handover from Community Support and Wellbeing (Dementia) Team to agencies
- Specialist Dementia training available being rolled out internally (Council and Trust)
- Heathlands now registered as Dementia Care Home



#### Support for carers

- Carers' drop in respite at Heathlands
- Personal budgets for carers
- The Forgetters
- 'Carer aware' e-tool available
- 'Understanding Dementia' course
- Carers members of LIT
- Carers key to Dementia Advisor evaluation



Support to access financial advice

- Dementia Advisor
- Financial Team
- 'Funding your own care' booklet



#### What we are still working on

- Specialist dementia training available for providers
- 3 step down beds within East Berkshire
- Extra sheltered housing (target 2014)
- Permanent funding of mental health liaison service at Heatherwood and Wexham Park
- Frimley specialist dementia ward for people receiving general treatment
- Increase number of volunteers at Healthlands
- One day for younger people with dementia at Healthlands
- Care home and community staff to complete End of Life training

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 All agencies contractual obligation to train staff in dementia awareness and adult safeguarding

### **Priorities for 2012 – 2014?**

- Improve statistical recording and joint working
- Roll out Dementia Training to other teams
- Become a recognised 'Dementia Friendly Community'
- Increase number of people with dementia and carers with a personal budget
- Develop the market to encourage use of personal budgets
- Dementia resources
- Reduce use of antipsychotic medication
- Develop Dementia Advisor website
- And....?

