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OLDER PEOPLE'S PARTNERSHIP

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SUPPLEMENTARY PAPERS

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE OLDER PEOPLE'S PARTNERSHIP

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THE IMPACT OF RAISING THE PENSION AGE TO 65

It will affect:

Pension credits
NHS prescriptions
Bus passes

There is a sliding scale to introduce the increase to age 65 and this will affect those born between 06/01/1951 – 06/04 1955.

For example based on birthdays on 6th Jan this is the age that you will receive your pension:

DATE OF BIRTH	RECEIVE PENSION	AGE
06/01/1951	06/11/2011	60 yrs 10 mths
06/01/1952	06/11/2013	61 yrs 10 mths
06/01/1953	06/11/2015	62 yrs 10 mths
06/10/1954	06/11/2017	63 yrs 10 mths
06/01/1955	06/11/2019	64 yrs 10 mths

Those with birthdays in February will be one month older, in March another month older and so on. For those born after 6th April 1955 they will be exactly 65 years old when they receive their pension.

There is a useful website which calculates the age that one will receive their pension. Just type in your birth date:

<http://pensions-service.direct.gov.uk/en/state-pension-age-calculator/home.asp>

However under new legislation the pension age for women would reach 65 by November 2018 (2 years earlier than current legislation). The rise from 65 for both men and women would then begin in December 2018 and reach 66 by April 2020. This legislation has not yet been passed.

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Older Person Accommodation and Support Services Strategy



Older Person Accommodation and Support Services Strategy

- Strategy vision:
 - All older people in Bracknell Forest will have choice to remain in their home for as long as possible or to choose another home that will meet their location, living and support needs to maintain their health and quality of life.



Older Person Accommodation and Support Services Strategy

- Aims of the strategy:
 - To enable and support people to stay in their own home for longer;
 - To identify the quality, type of accommodation older people will seek in Bracknell Forest in the future;
 - To ensure there is a range of good quality and affordable public and private housing which meets the changing needs of older people;
 - To develop a range of flexible services which meet the needs of older people now and in the future;
 - To promote integrated working between housing and support services.



What consultation told us?

- Consultation with older people found that 50% wanted to stay in their own home:
 - They wanted assistance with property maintenance;
 - They wanted improved access to transport;
 - They wanted lifeline services;
 - They wanted adaptations to their homes;
 - They said they would be prepared to pay for those services.



What consultation told us?

- Those households who wanted to move because:
 - They could not maintain their home;
 - Economic reasons;
 - To secure support;
 - Wanted accessible accommodation such as bungalow.
- Those who wanted to move:
 - Would stay in Bracknell Forest with Bracknell Town centre and Binfield top location choices – distance from family and friends and transport main factors;
 - Would consider flats with support as well as care villages.



What consultation told us

- Estate agents told us:
 - 24% of those registered to move were over 50;
 - Only 50% of those registered actually moved;
 - Lack of suitable accommodation in Bracknell Forest main reason why people did not move;
 - Older people seeking single storey accommodation with good access to transport and amenities;
 - Gap in the market for sheltered housing / care villages.
- Providers of private sheltered housing thought main gap was accommodation that could provide extra care facilities.



Affordable older person accommodation

- 966 homes designated for older people:
 - 184 bedsits which are unpopular;
 - Only 54 two bedroom which is in high demand.
- Overall demand for 498 homes:
 - Only 19 bedsits;
 - 354 one bed and 125 two bed.
- Turnover of about 40 units a year.
- Only one scheme capable of providing higher levels of care.



Demographics and demand

- By 2026 an estimated 29% increase in number of households aged over 65 and 50% increase in number aged over 75;
- Majority 973% of older people live in private sector;
- Majority of older people under occupy their home;
- Between 40 - 50 households enter residential care each year about a third could move into an extra care scheme in advance of that;
- Demand for 350 units of extra care housing by 2026 of which 90 units affordable and 260 private.



Objectives of the strategy

- Improve access for all to information and services for housing options;
- Improve how we consult and engage with older people;
- Strategically plan sustainable housing that meets the needs and aspirations of older people;
- Support older people to live independently and extend range of preventative services.



What have we done so far?

- Bracknell Forest Homes plan for the future;
- Commission 57 units extra care scheme on Garth School site:
 - Funded by HCA / BFH and Council;
- In principle decision for development of assisted living scheme at Binfield Nursery site;
- Secured future of Home Improvement Agency Service.



What next?

- Action Plan to end 2012/13;
- <http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/older-persons-accommodation-and-support-strategy-2011-to-2026.pdf>
- How do you want us to engage with you on the Action Plan and progress?



Agenda Item 6

CAB Age Range Breakdown

2008/09

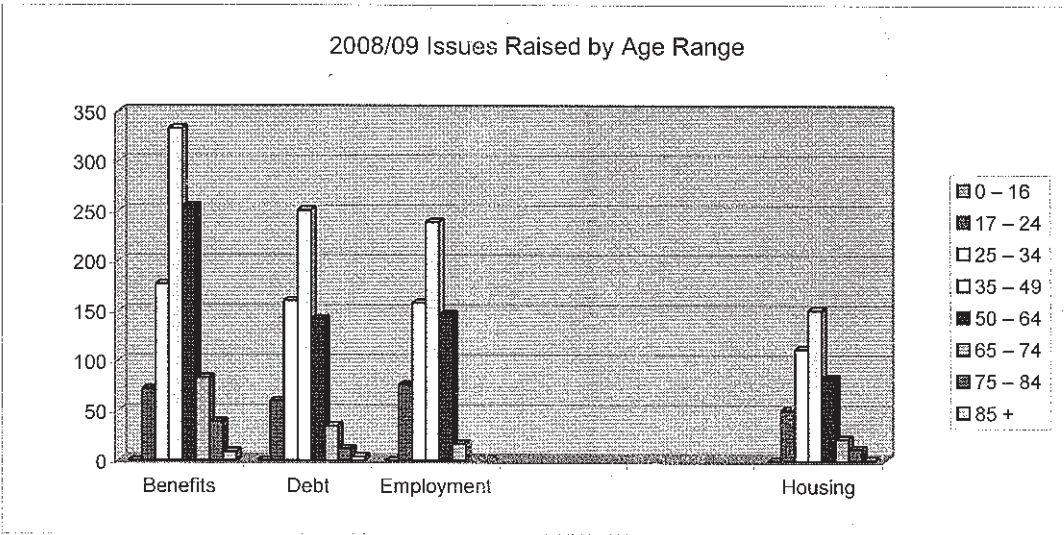
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Benefits	0	72	177	333	255	83	39	9
Debt	0	60	160	251	142	35	12	4
Employment	0	76	158	239	147	17	3	2
Housing	0	51	112	151	83	22	12	1

2009/10

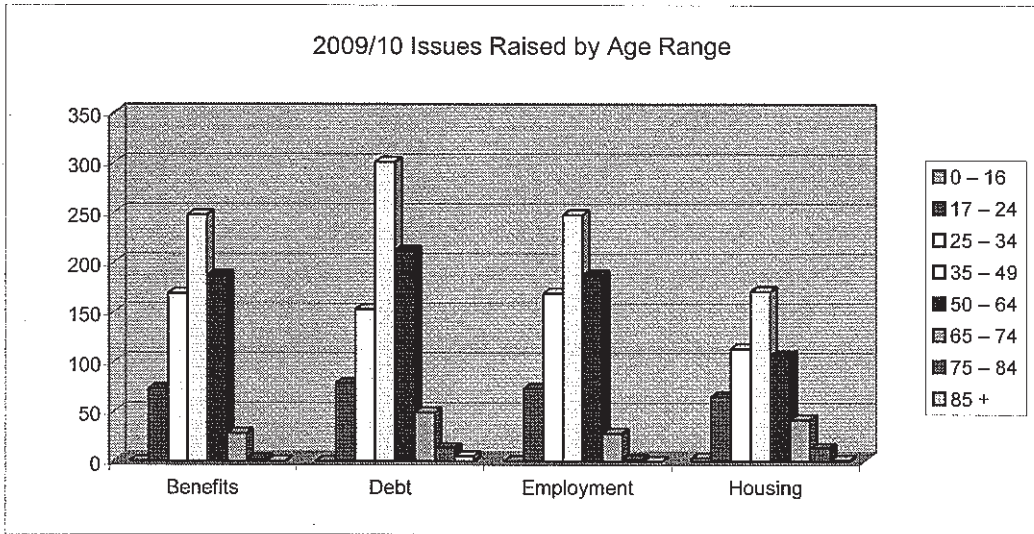
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Benefits	0	73	169	248	187	28	2	0
Debt	0	78	153	301	212	49	13	5
Employment	0	73	169	248	187	28	2	0
Housing	3	65	113	171	106	42	13	1

2010/11

	0 - 16	17 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 - 74	75 - 84	85 +
Benefits	4	105	194	415	305	92	39	10
Debt	0	86	170	292	200	45	11	2
Employment	0	99	178	230	165	11	1	0
Housing	3	73	143	195	121	37	11	4



2009/10 Issues Raised by Age Range



2010/11 Issues Raised by Age Range

