

# It's up to you how and when you get involved

- Join in our sub groups, working to support the LINK
- Attend an occasional meeting on an issue that interests you
- Take a few minutes to answer a survey
- Become an 'authorised representative' who goes out to services to see how they are run



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Get involved with

# Barnsley LINK

and have your say on local **Health & Social Care.**



# What is Barnsley LINK

Barnsley LINK has been established to give people a stronger voice and influence in how health and social care services are planned and delivered in Barnsley.

It is an independent network made up of interested individuals, user groups, and community groups who work together to improve local health and social care services.

Our job is to find out what people like and dislike about local services, and to work with the people who plan and run them to make them better.



## (Local Involvement Network)?

### What will we do?

- Ask people what they think of Barnsley's health and social care
- Give people a chance to suggest ideas to care professionals that may improve services
- Look into specific areas of concern to the community
- Ask for information and get answers within a specified amount of time
- Arrange and carry out visits to see if services are working well



- Refer issues to Overview and Scrutiny Committee if it seems that no action is being taken

## Why get involved?

### Make a difference:

- Share your ideas
- Influence those who make decisions about new or existing health and care services
- Help the community speak with a stronger voice
- Help services provide better care

### Gain knowledge and Skills:

- Become an authorised representative for the LINK sub group 'Enter & View Services'
- Hear from guest speakers at our LINK Network events
- Join our mailing list to receive updated information on the work of the LINK

### Meet new people, widen your contacts, make new friends:

- Join in our network meetings
- Join in our regular LINK sub group meetings