

# Wirral Joint Strategic Needs Assessment:

## Key Issues:



## Carers

- Around one in every 8 people in Wirral is a carer. Nearly a quarter of them give more than 50 hours a week unpaid caring. About 1 in every 12 carers in Wirral gets a service from Social Services.
- Many carers are not claiming all the benefits that they could. They need more accessible information about support services and benefits.
- Support and understanding for carers is very important. If carers are not able to cope, then the work that they do would have to be provided by the NHS in Wirral and Social Services. The cost of this would mean there would be much less money for everything else.
- It is important that carers stay fit and healthy.





- A lot of carers are becoming older. They are less likely to be able to cope with the work of caring.



- Carers are saying that their health is being affected by the caring work that they do



- Carers are asking for short breaks and respite from caring. They also ask for the chance to meet up with other carers.

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