

## We can also offer

### A support planning service

- We can talk to you about your home, the things you do as part of your daily routine and what kind of lifestyle you would like in the future.
- We will listen carefully to your preferences and can help you to complete an assessment form and agree a support plan together.
- We could offer a support worker to meet your needs, contact other organisations on your behalf, or help you to recruit your own support workers.

### Benefits help

We can assist you to claim benefits to which you may be entitled and can help with advice, filling in application forms and appeals.

### An advocacy service

To support you with assessments, correspondence and at meetings with professionals and other services

Your  
Choice

Your  
Support



## Support to take a break

**Do you provide care and/or support for a relative or friend?**

**Do you live alone but need some help to cope and remain independent?**

**We can offer some extra help so you can take a break from caring for somebody else, or continue to live independently in your own home.**

**Contact:** Carers Together, 9 Love Lane,  
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## Carers Together

A consortium of carers in Hampshire  
Registered Charity number: 1051879

## We provide support workers who can:

- assist you to take a break from caring
- offer companionship to you and/or the person you care for
- provide flexible support to help you go out and about, including leisure, hobby and training opportunities.

Our workers are caring, reliable, trained and experienced, and provide continuity with the carer and the cared for person.

They can offer guidance and support, but do not provide personal care.

*There is a small fixed hourly rate for the service.*

## How does it work?

You can contact us yourself or someone you know may contact us on your behalf e.g. a doctor, social worker or a family member.

- We will then discuss your needs with you and arrange an appointment to visit you at home.
- You can meet us on your own or arrange for someone to be with you.
- If it is agreed that our service can support your needs, you will be introduced to one or more support workers.
- The support will then be agreed by you directly with the support worker to ensure you are able to choose a day and time that suits you.

## Criteria for the service

There are no fixed criteria - just your need to have support or a break. For instance;

- you may feel you cannot leave someone for any significant length of time without worrying about their safety.
- the person you care for may have a disability, illness or medical condition that means they should not be left alone or would benefit from social interaction or
- you may be an adult with a disability or an older person who needs 'that little bit of extra help' or companionship.

## Employment / payroll service

If you would rather choose your own support worker, we can help with recruitment, employment and payroll so that you do not need to become an employer.

