

## Home from Home scheme



You can get this leaflet in large print, in Braille or on cassette by contacting us on 01307 473194. We can provide this information in other languages if you need it.

ACCESS Angus 08452 777 778  
your direct line for council services

### **What is the Home from Home scheme?**

The scheme provides short breaks for older people in the homes of families or single people living in the community.

It is a personal service providing regular planned breaks that allow relationships to develop between the older person and their carer. The aim of this scheme is to help older people to continue to live in their own home.

### **Who is the scheme for?**

The scheme is for older people who are being looked after by relatives who would benefit from having a break from caring. It is also for older people living alone who would benefit from a break in a family home.

We aim to help older people to continue to live in their own home.

### **Who are Home from Home carers?**

These are adults who we have approved and who can provide a room in their own home for an older person. They have a real interest in older people and enjoy caring for them.

### **How can I apply?**

Just write to or phone any of the Social Work offices listed on this leaflet. You could also ask a friend or family member to do this for you.

### **What will happen next?**

When we receive your enquiry, someone from Social Work will contact you and arrange to visit you at home.

We will discuss your particular needs and answer any questions you may have. After this

we will link you with a carer who will understand your needs and be pleased to welcome you into their home.

### **Can I visit the carer first?**

You, and any family or friends, may visit the carer in their own home before you make a final decision.

This will give you time to discuss any concerns you may have and is a good way of getting to know the carer before your stay.

### **Can I have more than one break each year?**

The Home from Home scheme hopes to offer you several breaks each year, with the same carer if we can. Breaks can be for a weekend or for a week at a time, and you can have up to eight weeks throughout the year.

### **What will this cost me?**

Home from Home carers get an allowance but you will have to pay a contribution from your pension towards your stay. We will tell you how much this will be before you make your final decision.

### **How will I get to the carer's home?**

If your family or friends have a car, we would hope that they could take you to the carer's home. If this is not possible, we will arrange transport for you.

### **Can I have visitors at the carer's home?**

If your family or friends want to visit, you can arrange this with your carer. Your worker will visit to make sure that you are happy and

settled.

This leaflet may have answered some of your questions but if you would like to know more, contact any of the following offices.

### **Still interested and want to know more?**

Please contact your local Social Work office.

Academy Lane  
Arbroath  
DD11 1EJ  
Phone: 01241 878585

2 Strang Street  
Forfar  
DD8 2HR  
Phone: 01307 465143

42 Dundee Street  
Carnoustie  
DD7 7PG  
Phone: 01241 859884

The Library  
High Street  
Monifieth  
DD5 4AE  
Phone: 01382 534244

Kirkton Hill  
Kirriemuir  
DD8 4JT  
Phone: 01575 572958

28 Panmure Street  
Brechin  
DD9 6AP  
Phone: 01356 624771

51 John Street  
Montrose  
DD10 8LZ