

SAFE, WARM AND SECURE

Who are we?

We are a team of three advisors working on a six month pilot developed by a partnership of Hampshire County Council, the Shaw Trust and Age Concern Hampshire.

What do we do?

We will visit home owners over 60 years of age to offer free guidance and support if they want to improve, adapt or maintain their house to keep them safe, warm and secure. The aim is to enable the older person to continue to live independently at home with a positive quality of life. Our role is to provide practical and emotional support until completion of the work. We will use existing schemes, services and organisations in the area to carry out the work that is required.

Where do we work?

In Eastleigh, New Forest and Test Valley Borough/District council boundaries.

What does the work include?

Examples include –

- Identifying available grants and benefits
- Organising for home repairs e.g. paving stones, doors mended
- Loft and wall cavity insulation including loft clearance
- Home security e.g. locks and doors chains fitted
- Adaptations e.g. rails, stair lifts
- Community alarms and telecare
- Arranging free home safety visits

How is the improvement work funded?

The project is not able to provide funding for any of the improvements. However, we are able to assist with identifying available grants and benefits.

How can I contact a Safe, Secure and Warm Advisor?

Anyone can make a referral by phoning Shaw Trust Portsmouth during office hours on 02392 733982, by sending the referral form (see attachment) to Shaw Trust, Safe, Warm and Secure, St James' Hospital, Locksway Road, Portsmouth PO4 8LD or by contacting one of the advisors. The advisors are -

Test Valley

Wendy Shone on 07725 734939 or email wendy.shone@shaw-trust.org.uk
Working days Monday - Wednesday

Eastleigh

Sheryll Mondey on 07725 734938 or email sheryll.mondey@shaw-trust.org.uk
Working days Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

New Forest and team coordinator

Jill Stafford on 07725 734941 or email jill.stafford@shaw-trust.org.uk
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We are happy to come and talk to community groups about the project and the type of support available. The initial pilot runs until the end of April 2011 and so there is still plenty of time for people to contact us.