



**Easy Read Version
of
Neath Port Talbot Council's
Draft Carers Strategy 2020**



What is the Strategy about?



The strategy describes the three national priorities to support unpaid carers to maintain their caring role:

- ✓ Identifying and recognising carers
- ✓ Providing information, advice and assistance
- ✓ Supporting life alongside caring



The strategy and action plan will tell us how the Council and its partners will make sure unpaid carers are supported.



The strategy and action plan will apply to people who already provide unpaid care as well as those who do so in the future, whatever their age.



This strategy is a draft written by carers, and staff from Neath Port Talbot Council and other agencies. We would like to know your views to develop a final action plan.



We welcome feedback from all. We will keep individuals, their families, carers and others updated via forums including carers meetings, and information on the Council's website.

What does Neath Port Talbot Council want out of the strategy?

We want to make sure that unpaid carers in Neath Port Talbot have the right amount of help to meet their support needs.

An unpaid carer is someone who looks after a family member, partner or friend with a health or social care need, and the care they give is unpaid.

We want to work with carers to identify the type of support they need to help them in their caring role, under the three broad priorities set by Welsh Government.

This is people's chance to shape the carers strategy and action plan.

Our Aim

The Council wants to help its most vulnerable citizens, including unpaid carers, and make sure those who need support get it.

This strategy sets out how the Council and its partners will work towards achieving the Welsh Government's three priorities for carers and will check that what we do has a positive impact on carers.

Who will be affected by this strategy?

All people that have a caring role now and also those who may become a carer in the future.

How will the Council collect views and opinions?



The Council will be collecting views and opinions on this strategy in different ways:



Focus group meetings will be arranged during the consultation. It will be an opportunity to inform the final plan, ask questions and give your views.



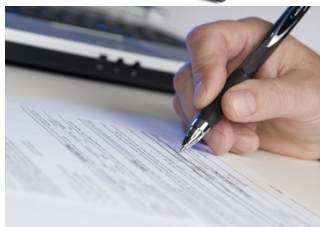
Paper copies of the strategy and feedback form will be available in Neath Civic Centre and Port Talbot Civic Centre reception areas, as well as respite and pan-disability day services.



On the Council's website:

www.npt.gov.uk/haveyoursay

Or email us: CCU@npt.gov.uk



You can write to us or complete the feedback form at the end of the consultation booklet. Letters and forms can be posted to:

Neath Port Talbot Council
Social Services Commissioning Unit
Neath Civic Centre
Neath SA11 3QZ