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Darlington LINK Newsletter

SPECIAL EDITION

Special Edition AGM

4th March 2010

LINK

Local Involvement
Network

**Make your voice heard and
have your say in Health &
Social Care in Darlington.**



AGM 4th March 2010

Darlington LINK held its 2nd AGM on Thursday 4th March at the Dolphin Centre. The event was attended by over 60 people.

Jean Thurkettle chair of Darlington LINK opened the event and introduced members of Blackburn with Darwen LINK who gave a presentation about their recent activities and inform us of the successes they have had with improving services in their area.

Michelle Thompson a member of LINK gave a personal account of why she had become involved with LINK and the activities she has been involved with since joining the LINK.

Diane Lax (LINK worker) gave a brief overview of the LINK activities since its launch in March 2009; detailing some of the promotional things they had been involved with including an advert on the back of 15 of the town's buses.

The minutes for the meeting and the presentations can be found on our website www.darlingtonlink.co.uk. If you would like a copy of the information pack that was given out at the event please contact the office on 01325 380145 or e-mail info@darlingtonlink.co.uk

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Budget

The LINK has a budget of £96,000 per year.

£82,400 is for the Host team in terms of premises for the LINK office, office overheads, salaries, equipment and stationary.

The LINK has £12,200 plus an under spend from the first year of £3,844 to be spent on things such as advertising, work planning, volunteer expenses, printing etc.

If you would like to see a breakdown of the budget or would like to see the 2009/2010 budget please contact the office.



Task Groups

This is your chance to have your voice heard and have your say in health and social care in

Darlington: Current Task Groups

Strokes

Would you like to join the existing task group working on strokes? They are working on the after care services available to people of Darlington.

GP Access

The Task group has completed its first report on access to GP services and is now in the process of following up on the finding.

If you would like to be involved please contact the LINK office

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Issues and Concerns

Darlington LINK want to hear community issues and concerns regarding health and social care in **Darlington**. Please call the office with any concerns or fill out the form available at the office or on our website.