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Fuller Working Lives: A Framework for Action [This publication](#) explains the benefits of working longer and how Government intends to help people have fuller working lives. Email FULLER.WORKINGLIVES@DWP.GSI.GOV.UK for more information.

Business Champion for Older Workers Economist, policy expert and consumer champion Dr Ros Altmann CBE has been appointed by the government as its new Business Champion for Older Workers. The role will drive support for the over 50s in the UK labour market. Dr Altmann will be tasked with making the case for older workers within the business community and challenging outdated perceptions. [read more](#)

Free Tax Help for Older People Tax Help for Older People is a service from the charity Tax Volunteers providing free, independent and expert help and advice for older people on lower incomes who cannot afford to pay for professional tax advice. With over 450 volunteers and a national call centre, it doesn't matter where one lives. Tax Help can be contacted by phone, email, post or the [website enquiry form](#)

House of Lords report on ageing: response 1 year on. A year ago the Government published its response to House Of Lords Committee on Public Service and Demographic Change report *Ready For Ageing?* [The 1 year on report](#) details What the government is doing to meet the challenges of an ageing population.

Number of English communities working to become dementia-friendly triples expectations [Over 60 towns and cities](#) in England have already committed to become dementia-friendly, tripling expectations set in the Prime Minister's Challenge on Dementia. A dementia-friendly community is a city, town or village where people with dementia are understood, respected, supported, and confident they can contribute to community life.

Watch new films to find out more about Dementia Friendly Communities The Dementia Friendly Communities programme focuses on improving inclusion and quality of life for people with dementia. Alzheimer's Society has produced [a number of films](#) to highlight the work currently taking place.

Dementia and sight loss – new online resource is live The Thomas Pocklington Trust and Stirling University have launched new insights into how to improve the independence of people with dementia and sight loss. A new set of guidelines outlining practical steps that can be taken in people's homes (private homes or care homes) was published, and a new searchable online resource also went live. [read more](#)

Big Energy Saving Network 2014-15 £1million is available for charity and

community organisations so they can reach vulnerable consumers and advise them on how to save money on their fuel bills. Each grant is worth up to £5,000 and eligible organisations are [invited to make an application](#) for funding by no later than **Friday 8th August**

Reducing Fuel Poverty: A scourge for older people. This new report from Age UK argues that the only long term solution to ending the fuel poverty crisis is to make people's homes as energy efficient as possible so that households can keep adequately warm at an affordable cost. [Read more](#)

Mapping Demographic Change - A Factpack of statistics from the International Longevity Centre – UK. [The second annual factpack](#) on ageing and demographic change is now available.

Care Act 2014: How should Local Authorities deliver the care and support reforms? Give your views to the Department of Health [here](#)

Internet Training would cut pensioner loneliness says think tank. [Read more](#)

New website for older people in Brighton and Hove [access the website](#)

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