Have your say on South Gloucestershire's Dementia Strategy

South Gloucestershire Council and key partners are currently consulting on a new Dementia Strategy and would like to hear the views of residents and stakeholders to ensure we get the balance of the strategy right. Please complete this survey after reading the draft strategy or summary document.

Please complete this survey by **Friday 25 August 2025**

Your Experience

Q1 Are you answering this survey as...?

- [ ] An individual with dementia
- [ ] A carer of someone with dementia, or have previously been a carer for someone with dementia
- [ ] Someone with past or current experience of supporting a person with dementia
- [ ] A professional working in the field of dementia Go to Q4
- [ ] A South Gloucestershire resident
- [ ] Other (please state)

Q2 Which services are you currently receiving or groups are you attending, that provide support for dementia?

- [ ] No services or groups
- [ ] Dementa service i.e. dementia advisor support
- [ ] Community memory cafe
- [ ] Singing for the brain
- [ ] Carers' group
- [ ] Community based care support i.e. carers coming into your home
- [ ] Befriending
- [ ] Community activities such as lunch clubs or church groups
- [ ] Day service
- [ ] Other (please specify below)

Q3 How easy or difficut has it been to access services or support groups when you've needed them?

- [ ] Very easy
- [ ] Quite easy
- [ ] Not sure
- [ ] Quite difficult
- [ ] Very difficult

Q4 In terms of **support** for dementia, what's currently missing in South Gloucestershire?

Q5 What is currently working well for people with dementia in South Gloucestershire? - this might include all sorts things other than the services available

Q6 What is currently **not** working well for people with dementia in South Gloucestershire? (as above, we're intersted to hear about anything and not just the services you've used)

Q7 What would make a real difference to your life?

Supporting people with dementia

Q8 We want to know how people with dementia, and their carers, think we are currently doing. These commitments are made in the strategy. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements?
(If you are not an individual with dementia or their carer please skip to Q10)

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
I, or the person I care for, am encouraged and given the opportunity to have a healthy, active lifestyle	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I, or the person I care for, was diagnosed early, effectively, and fairly.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I, or the person I care for, get the treatment and support which are best for my dementia and my life.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I, or the person I care for, am treated with dignity and respect.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I, or the person I care for, know what I can do to help myself and who else can help me, especially in times of crisis.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I, or the person I care for, feel supported to be independent and enjoy life.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Those around me and looking after me, or the person I care for, are well supported.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
I, or the person I care for, am confident my end-of-life wishes will be respected.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Q9 If you disagreed with any of the statements above, please tell us why:

Our Priorities

Q10 Below are a list of the priorities we are proposing. Please select the three which are the most important to you.

- [ ] Embed an ambition to reduce inequalities within all workstreams developed from this strategy.
- [ ] Ensure that people with lived experience influence the design and evaluation of dementia services and are represented at all levels of governance
- [ ] Develop a communications and engagement plan for members of the public and professionals to raise awareness of dementia prevention, how to get a diagnosis and post-diagnostic support.
- [ ] Lead a review and redesign of our dementia pathway with partners across the system to ensure access to high quality dementia services across South Gloucestershire. This should respond to community involvement and link into other Age Friendly Communities workstreams.
- [ ] Identify gaps in the provision of general social care services for people living with dementia. Working with providers and people with lived experience, we will design and commission provision to meet the gaps identified.
- [ ] Continue to listen to and support the needs of carers in South Gloucestershire, working to ensure implementation of the recommendations in the Carers strategy
- [ ] Work together as partners with people with lived experience to identify challenges to accessing general social care for people living with dementia. We will include specific reference to dementia within the implementation of our ASC commissioning strategy.
- [ ] Strengthen the integration of acute and community services for dementia so that they work together smoothly. This should include a focus on admission/re-admission avoidance and discharge planning.
- [ ] Strengthen support for end-of-life planning, recognising that dementia is a life-limiting condition.
- [ ] Develop a dementia workforce plan, learning from the rollout of specific interventions such as the CLEAR training, to ensure staff can deliver high quality person-centred care.
- [ ] Support work led by Adult Social Care to improve the use of social care data. We will continue to work together as partners across the system to share data. We will continue to put data and insights at the heart of service planning.
- [ ] Support all domains of the Age Friendly Communities programme to create safe, healthy, welcoming and accessible environments for those affected by dementia.

Please share any comments about the priorities or any that you feel are missing:

Please use this space to make any other comments about the dementia strategy

About You

Respondents answering in a professional capacity can skip this section

This section is really important. It's vital that we understand the experiences of a wide range of respondents in order to ensure that everyone is treated equally. By understanding more about what people from diverse backgrounds tell us, we can ensure we act appropriately to meet needs. All questions are optional and any responses to these questions will remain confidential. Individuals will not be identified and personal details will not be published.

Q13 Please tell us your postcode (this is used for analysis purposes only)

Q14 What is your age?

- ☐ Under 18
- ☐ 18 to 24
- ☐ 25 to 34
- ☐ 35 to 44
- ☐ 45 to 54
- ☐ 55 to 64
- ☐ 65 to 75
- ☐ Over 75
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Q15 Are you?

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Q16 Please tell us your ethnic origin

- ☐ Arab/Arab British
- ☐ Asian/Asian British - Bangladeshi
- ☐ Asian/Asian British - Chinese
- ☐ Asian/Asian British - Indian
- ☐ Asian/Asian British - Other
- ☐ Asian/Asian British - Pakistani
- ☐ Black/African/Caribbean/Black British - African
- ☐ Black/African/Caribbean/Black British - Caribbean
- ☐ Black/African/Caribbean/Black British - Other
- ☐ Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- ☐ Mixed/multiple ethnic group - Other
- ☐ Mixed/multiple ethnic group - White & Asian
- ☐ Mixed/multiple ethnic group - White & Black African
- ☐ Mixed/multiple ethnic group - White & Black Caribbean
- ☐ White - English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British
- ☐ White - Other (please state)
- ☐ White Irish
- ☐ White - Roma
- ☐ Other ethnic group
- ☐ Prefer not to say

If other, please state:

Q17 Do you consider yourself to be disabled? (**Please tick all that apply**)

- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to say
- ☐ Yes - Physical impairment, such as difficulty using arms or mobility issues which may mean using a wheelchair or crutches
- ☐ Yes - Sensory impairment, such as being blind/having a serious visual impairment or being deaf/have a hearing impairment
- ☐ Yes - Mental health condition, such as depression, anxiety or schizophrenia
- ☐ Yes - Learning disability/difficulty (such as Down's Syndrome, dyslexia, dyspraxia) or cognitive impairment (such as autism spectrum condition)
- ☐ Yes - Long standing illness or health condition, such as cancer, HIV, diabetes, chronic heart disease or epilepsy
- ☐ Yes - Other (please state)

Q18 In the last month, which of the following were you doing for most of the time:

- [ ] Working as an employee
- [ ] Self-employed or freelance
- [ ] On maternity or paternity leave
- [ ] Doing any other kind of paid work
- [ ] Retired (whether receiving a pension or not)
- [ ] Studying
- [ ] Looking after home or family
- [ ] Long-term sick or disabled
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Prefer not to say

Other (please specify)

Q19 Are you currently, or have you previously, served in the UK Armed Forces?

- [ ] No
- [ ] Yes, I am currently serving/have previously served in the regular UK armed forces
- [ ] Yes, I am currently serving/have previously served in the reserve UK armed forces

Please return your completed questionnaire to South Gloucestershire Council, Insight and Engagement Team, Dementia Strategy, PO Box 1953, Bristol, BS37 0DE

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