

Developing the Strategy

The strategy has been developed through:

- Engagement
- Analysis of secondary quantitative data.
- Best Practice (Assistant Director Adult Social Services (ADASS) Carers Leads meetings & NHS England & Carers UK)
- Performance Monitoring & Quality Assurance Frameworks reports of commissioned provision

The following sets out the engagement approach that informed and guided the development of the strategy.

A number of engagement events with carers and families and with those who provide services for carers or individuals with needs have been held over the past year.

As well events, the Sutton Carers Centre Newsletter and the Parent Carers Forum Newsletter also invited Carers to provide their views directly to Sutton Council Commissioning Lead.

Organised by	Attendees	Date
Sutton Council Commissioning	Carers Strategy Focus Group Invitees included: Jennifer Thrower Alzheimer's Sutton; Rachael McLeod Sutton Carers Centre; Helen Gasparelli MAPs; Jane Knowles Parent Carers Forum	14th June 2017 (2.45 - 4.15pm)
Age UK	Focus Group Carers of Older People	15 August 2017 (1.30-3.30pm)
Sutton Carers Centre	Focus Group Carers Caring for Adults with a range of needs	12 September 2017 (4-6.30pm)
Sutton Community Voluntary Service	Providers Sutton Carers Centre & Sutton Mencap attended	12 October 2017 (2-4pm)
Sutton Carers Centre	Former Carers Group	23.November 2017 12.30-2pm
Sutton Council	Engagement Event held at SCILL for Carers	24 January 2018 (Day Session 2-4pm) (Evening Session 6-7pm)
Sutton Carers Centre	Families of Young Carers	1 February 2018 4.30-7.30pm

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Alzheimer's Sutton	Carers of People with Dementia	18 & 26 July 2017
Parent Carers Forum - Information Day	Parents Carers of Children with Disabilities	21 March 2018 (11.30am-2pm)
Parent Carers Forum	Parents Carers of Children with Disabilities Focus Group	9 May 2018 (11am-1pm)
Adults with Learning Disability Forum	Carers of Adults with Learning Disabilities meeting - engagement session	16 November 2017 19 July 2018
Sutton Carers Forum	Key Messages & Insights from Engagement Sessions	12 September 2018 (12-2pm)

Carers Strategy Reference Group (CSRG)

The Carers Strategy Reference Group are a self-selected group of Carers and former Carers (including Healthwatch) living and or caring for someone with needs in Sutton, they played a key role in sharing ideas knowledge and insights of what is important to carers.

The Group met on the following dates to discuss insights from the engagement sessions and shape and frame the development of the strategic vision, outcomes and priorities.

CSRG - meeting date	Discussions
25.1.18	Inaugural meeting & TOR
28.2.18	Feedback from engagement sessions
29.3.18	Strategy Framework discussions Vision outcomes priorities
5.6.18	Strategy Framework presented Vision outcomes priorities
16.10.18	Summary Draft Strategy presented
29.11.18	Draft Strategy and Delivery Plan presented