



**The UK Network of
Dementia Voices**

DEEP *engages and empowers
people living with dementia to
influence services and policies
that affect their lives*

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Hello All

The eagle-eyed amongst you may have noticed our new strapline on the DEEP logo – it was felt that the logo needed to reflect the nature of the Network more, we think it's just right - what do you think?

Rachael L is back from maternity leave and heading up the overall DEEP project again. Our congratulations to Steve and Rachael and a big thank you to Nada and Steve for looking after us in the meantime! Rachel N and Paul remain the day to day contacts for the DEEP network – their contact details are at the end of this Update.

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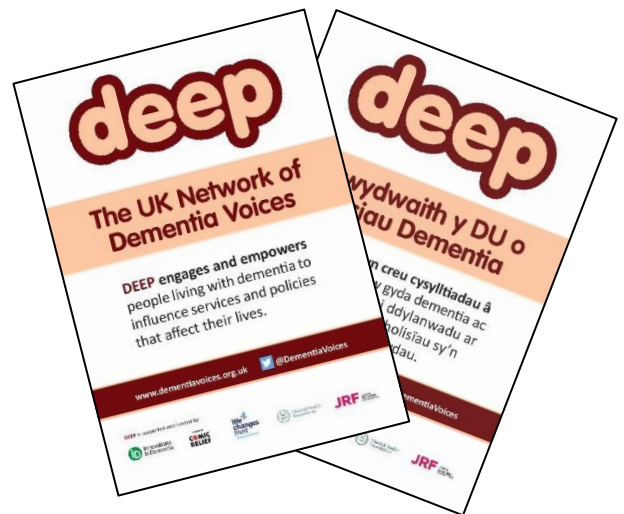
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network support

DEEP Guides

DEEP guides aim to support the involvement of people with dementia. Some were created for DEEP groups or individuals with dementia, others for organisations wanting to work well with people who have dementia. We are always adding to the guides but the full download list can be found on our website

(<http://dementiavoices.org.uk/resources/deep-guides/>) or we can send out copies on request.



network news

Rica Research Exchange Day

Lorraine from Memorybilia was the star of the show at a recent event organised by Rica. Rica is a consumer research organisation that specialises in work with older and disabled people and they are working with groups in the DEEP network on local projects. Lorraine and others from the Memorybilia group took part in some mystery shopping for the Huguenot Museum in Rochester. She gave a wonderful presentation to industry representatives and disabled people about her involvement in the project. It was very interesting to find out that the issues faced by people with dementia and people with other disabilities are very similar. If you want to know more about the project with Rica - please contact Nada (nada@myid.org.uk)

EDUCATE - Doing Dementia Differently

You are invited to an EDUCATE event on 28th June 2016 – a daytime workshop for people with dementia and their supporters and an inspiring evening of music, poetry, film and drama. If people with dementia and their supporters need financial support to attend, DEEP may be able to help - please contact Nada (nada@myid.org.uk).

Pensions Question Time film from Memorybilia

Click [here](#) to see Allan, Lorraine and Tom as panellists in Memorybilia's Pensions Question Time film, showing people that there is more to the person than dementia and that you can live well with dementia.



Police DEEP project opportunity

DEEP has been approached by the office of Tim Madgwick, Acting Chief Constable for North Yorkshire Police, to begin an Engagement and Involvement project based on meeting with people living with Dementia and on hearing their views, so that awareness of Dementia amongst the Police can be improved and best practice developed.

For further information, click [here](#).

If your DEEP Group would like to take part in this piece of work, please contact Paul Thomas (paul@myid.org.uk) It is hoped that this would be an ongoing piece of Involvement work, and it would be very helpful to begin by hearing your ideas.

have your say...

Who can talk for people with dementia and when

At the Rica Research Exchange event earlier this month we were challenged to write some guidance about 'Who can talk for people with dementia and when'. The immediate answer is 'no-one' - but there are often situations when a friend, family member or paid advocate does represent the views of someone with dementia. The disabled people who work with Rica have similar issues - for example people who use sign language translators.

We'd like to hear your views and experiences. Please contact Nada (nada@myid.org.uk).

DRILL – research funding opportunities for DEEP groups

A funding initiative with £5million Lottery monies has put out a call for research project proposals. Disability Research on Independent Living and Learning (DRILL) is supported by Disability Rights UK, and similar rights focused organisation in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and specifically mention people with dementia as being included.

The amounts offered are:

- Small research grants up to a value of £40,000 each (1 stage process)
- Large research grants up to a value of £100,000 each (2 stage process)
- Pilot projects up to a value of £150,000 each (2 stage process)

Deadline for small grant applications and first stage large grant and pilot project applications is 27th July 2016.

For further information themes please see <http://www.drilluk.org.uk/disability-research-on-independent-living-learning-drill/funding/> or speak to Nada.

Open request

We have received a request for anyone with front temporal dementia that is willing to engage with another person with the same condition (who is based in Lancaster) to get in touch. Please contact Alex at Lancashire Dementia Voices in the first instance (alex@lancshiredementivoices.org).

keep in touch

Let us know about your work – it is great to share it through the DEEP Update.

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