

# Report



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#### **1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to inform Elected Members on the outcome of the consultation on the Adult Social Care and Health Department Carers' Strategy 2007–2009. (Draft Attached)

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 From information in the 2001 census there were over 83,000 carers in Nottinghamshire, over 10% of the adult population and the number is set to rise rapidly.

<b>Nottinghamshire total</b>	<b>83,181</b>
Ashfield	12,647
Bassetlaw	12,357
Broxtowe	11,638
Gedling	12,460
Mansfield	11,682
Newark and Sherwood	11,707
Rushcliffe	10,690

- 2.2 The Department recognises the valuable contribution that carers make in supporting people to remain at home and consulted on a strategy that supports carers in order to enable those who wish to continue providing care.

### **3. Context**

- 3.1 The Carers Strategy has been developed after consultation with carers, service users and partners and is subject to approval by Cabinet, in July 2007.
- 3.2 The strategy builds upon our previous strategy and reflects key national and local drivers, current service provision, the performance of the department and current resources.
- 3.2 The strategy sits alongside our Adult Social Care and Health commissioning strategies and sets out how ASCH will commission services to support carers.
- 3.3 The strategy has been developed as far as possible in partnership with colleagues in the health sector and Children and Young Persons Department with the intention of working together to deliver fully integrated strategies over the next two years.

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