

## Health and Housing Organisations

<p><b>Watlington &amp; District Age Concern Drop In Centre</b> situated in the High Street, offers a warm welcome each weekday morning, where you can socialise with friends over light refreshments or use many of the services available. A Chiropractor and Chiropodist visit regularly. New Hearing and Batteries can be obtained at the centre. We also operate our own Mini Bus for weekly shopping trips. A scrabble club meets every Wednesday afternoon.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> The Drop In Centre for further information on any of our services.  Tel: 01491 612144. <a href="mailto:thedropincentre@tiscali.co.uk">thedropincentre@tiscali.co.uk</a></p>
<p><b>NHS Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)</b> PALS provides on the spot advice and support, helping you to sort out any concerns you may have about care provided by the NHS and guiding you through the various services available. PALS aims to – listen to your concerns and queries – advise and support patients, families and carers – inform about local NHS services and how to access them – help resolve concerns and sort out problems.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> 0800-052-3225</p>
<p><b>South and Vale Carers Centre</b> offers free confidential information, advice and support to unpaid family carers of all ages, including young carers, with benefit forms, aids to help with caring, holidays, home visits and any service which will help Carers in their caring role. National Carers Strategy funds outings and trips for Carers.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> 01235 510212, or visit  5 Lydalls Road, Didcot, 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday <a href="mailto:carers@SVCC.fsnet.co.uk">carers@SVCC.fsnet.co.uk</a></p>
<p><b>Watlington Day Centre</b> A weekly meeting held for lonely and frail persons. Members are transported by Age Concern minibus to the centre, where they discuss issues and problems over coffee, enjoy a hot lunch, play cards, listen to other entertainment, or just relax in the company of others.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Doreen Hobbs  Day Centre, High Street, Watlington. Tel: 01491 612144 <a href="mailto:thedropincentre@tiscali.co.uk">thedropincentre@tiscali.co.uk</a></p>
<p><b>Watlington Senior Citizens Luncheon &amp; Social Club</b> Meets every Wednesday 12.00 – 3.00 pm in the West Room, Old School Place, Watlington. Members enjoy a freshly prepared 3 course lunch and various activities. Membership is open to all in Watlington and the surrounding communities and we are able to provide transport for those unable to get out unaided. Cost: £7.00 per week inclusive of lunch, activities, tea and biscuits. Transport is charged extra depending on the distance travelled.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Winifred Tel: 0118 942 6078</p>
<p><b>Sanctuary Care</b> is a Not for Profit Organisation, established in 1995</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b> Mrs Sue Morley</p>

<p>as a subsidiary of Sanctuary Housing Association, a national organisation with over 33,000 properties. Its purpose is to provide high quality care to the elderly. Sanctuary Care provides a 60 bed care home on the former Watlington Hospital site.</p>	<p>Tel: 01491 613400  <a href="mailto:suem@sanctuary-housing.co.uk">suem@sanctuary-housing.co.uk</a>  or Mrs Julie Cooper</p>
<p><b>Soha Housing</b>  is South Oxfordshire's largest registered social landlord, managing nearly 5,000 homes. We provide affordable housing for people who cannot afford to own or rent a home in the private sector. Soha is a non-profit making organisation, managed by a voluntary Board with 122 properties in Watlington.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b>  Richard Peacock,  Chief Executive  Tel: 01235 515900  <a href="mailto:rpeacock@soha.co.uk">rpeacock@soha.co.uk</a></p>
<p><b>Sovereign Housing</b>  Sovereign Housing Group specialises in providing high quality affordable homes wherever they are most needed. Whether it's inner-city regeneration, suburban town extensions, or sensitive village development, Sovereign always aims to be a good neighbour, and to provide great customer satisfaction. Sovereign owns nearly 300 rented homes in South Oxfordshire, plus almost 100 for part-buy part-rent, and has added to these recently in Watlington, with 18 homes in Britwell Road.</p>	<p><b>Contact:</b>  Regional Office  Tel: 01635 550222</p>