# State of Caring 2022 conference

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*A Better Future: meeting the challenges of carers*

Thursday 10 November 2022

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| 10.00am | **Welcome and introduction**  
**David Brindle**, Journalist and care sector commentator, former Society Guardian Editor |
| 10.10am | **Helen Walker**, Chief Executive, Carers UK |
| 10.25am | **Keynote**  
Minister for Care (invited) |
| 10.40am | **Keynote**  
**Mark Cubbon**, Chief Delivery Officer, NHS England – Delivering for Carers (invited) |
| 10.55am | Q&A |
| 11.10am | Break |
| 11.30am | Breakout sessions |
| 11.10am | **Supporting Working Carers: the experience of the public sector**  
Denise Radley, Corporate Director of Health, Adults and Community, London Borough of Tower Hamlets  
Anne Power, Staff Networks Coordinator, Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust  
Kate Kelly, Senior Learning and Development Manager, Workforce Development, People Development, Chief People Officer Group, UK Health Security Agency  
**Session Chair:** Katherine Wilson, **Head of Employers for Carers, Carers UK** |
| 11.40am | **Delivering outcomes for carers: the role of carers' assessments**  
Lyndon Peasley, Carers Strategy Manager, Kirklees Council  
Hazel Brown MBE, Local Solutions, Liverpool  
Asher Ayres, Head of Service – Carers, N-compass  
**Session Chair:** Emily Holzhausen OBE, **Director of Policy and Public Affairs, Carers UK** |
| 12.30am | **Making the most of carers breaks – for carers and commissioners**  
DHSC (invited) White Paper and Carers Breaks Innovation Fund, Better Care Fund update  
Rebecca Gray, Carers Service and Shared Lives Manager, Stockton-on-Tees Council  
Carole Whittle, Health and Wellbeing Manager, Carers in Herts  
**Session Chair:** Tamara Sandoul, **Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Carers UK** |
| 12.30am | **Foundations for Digital Innovation in Care**  
Richard Howells, CEO, Bronze Labs | Founder, The Tribe Project  
Michael Vinall, Operations, Bronze Labs |
### Session Chair: Alyson Scurfield, CEO, TSA – The Voice of TEC
Mark Burton, Health Sector Lead, Virgin Media/O2

#### NHS Developments for Carers
Campbell McNeil, Regional Lead, NHS Commitment to Carers, West Yorkshire and Harrogate
Rachel Lawson, Project Manager, Care for the Carers, East Sussex

#### Session Chair: Madeleine Starr MBE, Director of Business, Development and Innovation, Carers UK

#### Carers and Tackling the Cost of Living
Rachel Casey, Policy Advisor, Joseph Rowntree Foundation
Mark Greening, Joint Commissioning Manager, West Sussex County Council
Caroline Pope, Carer Services Director, Carers Support West Sussex

#### Session Chair: Jen Kenward, Experience of Care Lead and Commitment to Carers, NHS England

#### Carers in Conversation

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#### Poster sessions
Melanie Crew, Senior Research and Policy Officer, Carers UK – Diversity and supporting carers
Rachel Brennan, Manager, Adult Carers Support, Action for Carers Surrey: Taking community-based support to carers – the development of Carer Hubs
Rebecca Harris-Duggan, Carers in Employment Lead, Signpost Stockport for Carers: Work With Us: Supporting carers returning to and in work
John Bangs OBE, Independent Carer Adviser and Young Carers Alliance: Young Carers and Football

#### 2.30pm
The Carer’s Leave Bill – making a difference for working carers
Wendy Chamberlain MP

#### 2.45pm
Health and social care: innovation and integration - Panel discussion
Sarah McClinton, President of the Association of Directors of Social Services and Director of Health and Adult Services, Royal Borough of Greenwich
Dr Neil Churchill OBE, Director for Experience, Participation and Equalities, NHS England and Improvement
Rt Hon Professor Paul Burstow, Independent Chair, NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board
Simon Bottery, Senior Fellow Social Care, Kings Fund

#### 3.25pm
Round-up of the day
David Brindle, Journalist and care sector commentator, former Society Guardian Editor

#### 3.35pm
The Last Word
Nick Baird, Chair, Carers UK

#### 3.40pm
Conference closes