

# **BEDFORDSHIRE ADVOCACY SERVICE FOR OLDER PEOPLE**

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**Area covered:** Bedfordshire, Luton & surrounding areas

**Organisation type:** Independent Charity

**SHA:** Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

**Region:** East of England

**Why advocacy for older people is needed:**

Assist people aged 60 and over to resolve problems. Access services, advice and information. Enable clients to have a voice, make choices, and decisions. Retain independence. Control their lives

**Number of older people receiving one-to-one advocacy:** Monthly average, 50 clients

**Projects specifically for older people:**

Project Name: Luton Social Services Advocacy Project

Funder: Local Authority

Started: 2003

End date: Ongoing

Project Name: General Advocacy Service

Funder: PCTs, County Council, Charitable Trusts

Started: Apr 1999

End date: Ongoing

**Staff and volunteers working in these projects:**

Staff: 4

Volunteers: 4+