Your local HealthWatch

Questions and answers

Easy Read Version
1. Question

What is Local HealthWatch?

*HealthWatch* will help people have their say about health and social care services.

Councils *have to* set up and fund HealthWatch.

It will launch in **October 2012**.

HealthWatch for Oxfordshire will take over the work of a group called *Oxfordshire LINk* but do extra things as well.

HealthWatch will be *independent*. This means that the group members will be in control.
2. Question

What will Local HealthWatch do?

- Get more adults, children and young people involved in planning and checking health and social care services.
- Get more people involved in talking about what they get from health and social care services in Oxfordshire.
- Make sure the people who make decisions know about what you think.
- Provide information to patients, service users and carers to help them choose services.
- Support people if they want to make a complaint.
3. **Question**

What will Local HealthWatch for Oxfordshire look like?

That depends on **you**!

The council is asking **Oxfordshire people what they want** from HealthWatch.

The **event** you are invited to is part of this.

**Thank you** for taking part.

**The End**