Together we will...

- Establish age-friendly communities across Greater Manchester, promoting volunteering and bringing generations together.
- Increase housing choice to promote social connections and wellbeing in later life.
- Become a world leader in research and innovation for an ageing society.
- Show leadership in developing age-friendly initiatives at all levels and across all sectors.
- Create opportunities to maximise the skills and experience of older workers.
- Build a health and social care system that works for older people.
- Create a transport network that supports older people to stay connected and active.
- Engage and involve older people in arts and cultural activities across Greater Manchester and establish a Centre for age-friendly Culture – a world first.
- Make sure access to entitlements and benefits is easier and simpler.
- Support more people to be physically active as they age.
- Develop an age-friendly plan for each local council.
- Campaign for positive change in the way older people are viewed.

for an age-friendly Greater Manchester
Bolton
Transport that supports connections
Residents in Bolton noticed that many older people were struggling crossing Crompton Way to the health centre and bus stops. They invited Transport for Greater Manchester to walk across the road with them and see that the traffic lights changed before everyone got to the other side. TfGM added extra time to the three traffic crossings around the health centre so all local residents could cross the road in safety.

Bury
Generations together
Older residents and school pupils in Bury come together for weekly activity sessions where they share experiences and learn new things. Such intergenerational activities help increase understanding between younger and older people, with each valuing the contribution the other brings.

Oldham
Out and About
Out and About, a lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans group in Oldham, runs events for older LGBT people, and encourages people from other communities to come along and spend time getting to know LGBT people better.

Rochdale
Walking football
Rochdale has a thriving walking football community, with older men coming together through their love of the game. Rochdale AFC Strollers have weekly social and competitive games, playing teams across the region.

Tameside
Singles night
Older people in Tameside wanted spaces for single people to meet up and connect with new people, so a group of volunteers set about organising a ‘Mingle and Meet Singles Event’. The event was a huge success, with older people getting involved, making new friends and having a dance – and forming some lasting and meaningful relationships.

Wigan
Dementia Friendly Communities
Fourteen dementia-friendly communities have been developed across Wigan that have transformed the opportunities available for people living with dementia. Local people have worked together to create a community where dementia is understood and accepted. Each month over 600 people attend dementia-friendly activities including active cafés, dog walking, music groups, and swimming.

Salford
Digitally connected
At Tech & Tea, older people get to try out new technology and learn digital skills in an informal environment. The sessions in venues across Salford see groups become internet savvy and get to grips with email, tablets and mobile phones, giving them better access to the digital world.

Tranford
Housing and wellbeing hub
Limelight is a health and wellbeing hub in Old Trafford designed in partnership with the local community. It brings together under one roof extra care apartments for older people alongside an under 5s nursery, café, library, and health services.

Manchester
Culture Champions
Culture Champions is a large-scale volunteer ambassador scheme for older people. Passionate that culture enriches lives, Culture Champions advocate, lead and programme activities for their peers, as well as advise arts organisations.

Stockport
Supporting workers 50 plus
Working Well Stockport offers older job seekers access to health, skills and employability support. It’s a personalised approach coordinated by a keyworker which can also include housing interventions, debt advice, and addiction support.

We want to create an age-friendly Greater Manchester where older residents are valued, able to contribute to and benefit from sustained prosperity, and enjoy a good quality of life.