

Over 87,000 adult unpaid carers in Lanarkshire

Carers are equal partners in care

Developed in partnership with:



# Partnership Statement 2026

## For the Delivery of Adult Carer Support Plans



Personal outcomes describe what's important to carers



Shared understanding, expectations and good communication



### The Carers (Scotland) Act 2016

All carers have the right to an Adult Carer Support Plan (ACSP). The Carers' Charter helps understand these rights:



Scan or click QR code to view Carers Charter

### All carers should be offered or can request an ACSP

The local arrangements for the delivery are set out in an ACSP Partnership Statement for Lanarkshire (scan or click QR code to view the full document).



### Purpose of the ACSP Partnership Statement

The 2026 Partnership Statement is a formal agreement and strengthens collaboration between Lanarkshire Carers, University Health and Social Care North Lanarkshire, and South Lanarkshire University Health and Social Care. It updates the 2021 agreement, defines the roles of each partner and clarifies shared responsibilities for delivering ACSPs. It is a common reference point, useful guide and referral/signposting resource.

An ACSP is progressed through a conversation about the caring role that helps to identify the impact on carer wellbeing and life-balance, their personal outcomes/hopes, support needs and how these might be met.

Right support at the right time



Good conversations matter



Ensure carers receive accurate information



# LANARKSHIRE CARERS JOURNEY ROUTES



Lanarkshire Carers commissioned responsibilities include the lead responsibility for progressing ACSPs with carers with low to moderate needs.

Carer Support Workers are colocated in Social Work localities throughout Lanarkshire to help appropriate collaborative working. All carers can access information, advice and support from the Carers Centre.

Social Work has the lead responsibility for progressing ACSPs with carers with substantial or critical needs, including statutory support and Self-Directed Support discussions.

There is no requirement for carers to be signposted or referred to Lanarkshire Carers prior to having conversations with Social Work staff or receiving statutory support, as this may delay support for carers with substantial and critical needs.

South Lanarkshire applies a wellbeing risk framework for eligibility; North Lanarkshire uses a 'what would help' approach.



**Give carers choice and control**



**Meet their needs and demands**



**Ensure carers voices are heard**

**Adult Carer Support Plan delivery arrangements are embedded within local Carer Strategies.**



Short Breaks Service Statements provide information about what services are available to give carers a break from their caring role.

## Good conversations change lives

Lanarkshire Carers has created CarerSpace: an easy-to-use online portal designed to help carers feel better supported, connected, and empowered. Any carer living in Lanarkshire can use CarerSpace.

**CarerSpace**   
your personal support portal

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