

Sub-Regional Activity Report

York

- the 10th Anniversary York 50+ Festival will run from 27 September to 5 October 2014 with 130 events - the Annual Information Fair in Central York will be held on 10 Sept - this year will see a record number of participants - four venues are going to be used this year including the York Guildhall, the original home of the Fair.
- the York Older People's Assembly's Open Meeting in July had presentations from Yorkshire Housing on "Sustaining Independence at Home" and Dementia Forward on "A Dementia Friendly City"
- YOPA continues to be involved in trying to make it easier for older people with early hospital appointments to be able to use their bus pass. The hospital will issue a voucher but you can only get it by going to the hospital - discussions continue. We hear that the same situation can apply in relation to an early GP appointment for some people.
- YOPA has agreed to keep "End of Life" issues on our agenda - this includes "Advance Care Planning" and the "Dignity in Dying" campaign - members were asked at an Open Meeting whether they would like a discussion at a future meeting - a majority said yes - there was also a request that we ensure that as far as the Campaign was concerned time was given for both sides of the argument.