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## **Macmillan Living with and Beyond Cancer Programme**

### **Principles for engagement with people affected by cancer**

#### **Consultation Draft**

**We welcome everybody's support for The Macmillan Living With And Beyond Cancer Programme.**

**We value all the different ways in which you chose to support the programme and will help you find the right way to communicate.**

#### **Principles for patient engagement**

1. We will develop ways of working with local people to provide meaningful and effective engagement.
2. This engagement will be based around communities, not around organisational boundaries
3. We don't want to reinvent the wheel, we'll work with groups and networks that already exist and are trusted within the community.
4. We will engage current, existing and future people affected by cancer, carers and family members.
5. We will develop a Communications and Engagement Strategy which recognises that people affected by cancer have the knowledge and experience to help improve cancer services.
6. We will ensure that activity and information is accessible and that people are kept informed about programme developments.
7. We value and respect all contributions; we will support people to be involved in a way that suits them.
8. We will be clear about the range of engagement opportunities and support available through The Macmillan Living With And Beyond Cancer Programme.
9. We will support local people to participate by helping them to develop the skills, confidence and knowledge appropriate to their individual situation.
10. We will be clear what information can be shared, with whom and for what purpose.

11. We will ensure that we ask the right questions, in the right way, at the right time in order to evaluate the impact of the Macmillan Living With And Beyond Cancer Programme effectively.
12. We will involve people in ongoing assessment of the impact of the programme and of any new model of care once fully implemented.
13. We will respond to all views shared with the programme and aim to let people know what we did.
14. People affected by cancer will help us to assess the quality of our engagement.
15. We will use a range of participation approaches/methodologies to enable widespread engagement which deliver these principles.
16. We will seek professional advice and support on engagement from the Macmillan Involvement Co-ordinators.