

## GUIDE TO SERVICES FOR OLDER CLIENTS & THEIR FAMILIES

As family members get older life brings new challenges and worries. Our Later Life Support team are dedicated to providing practical support for older relatives, or those who for other reasons, such as illness, require more than just legal advice. Our services are completely personal to you and your family, and take into account what you need now and what you may need in the future. Our services include:

### FINDING SUITABLE LONG OR SHORT-TERM CARE PROVIDERS

We have extensive knowledge of many of the homes for the elderly in the area ranging from flats with some communal facilities and support, to residential and nursing homes with 24-hour care.

### COMPANIONSHIP

If distance prevents family or friends from visiting on a regular basis we can arrange for someone to come and visit. These are people we have used for a number of years and trust. We can also put you in touch with suitable agencies.

### ASSISTANCE WITH MOVING FROM HOME TO A HOME

We can provide details of appropriate care homes, brochures and cost information and arrange visits or attend homes on behalf of the family if needed. We always try to match the right place to the right client. Some people want/need a smaller home with a family feel. Others are happier in larger homes – the needs of the client are paramount.

### SUPPORTING FAMILY MEMBERS

Regular reporting to close family members ensures you, and they, are well informed and able to relax, knowing that what needs to be done is under control. We have been helping clients through these processes for many years and invariably find that these supporting services take away a real burden and give genuine peace of mind for everyone concerned.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Care fees are a concern for many people. We are able to offer advice on benefits and payments from the public sector or the NHS. If you wish us to do so, we can act as your Attorney by putting in place a Lasting Power of Attorney. As your Attorney we can assist with all aspects of managing your finances. Providing regular updates and financial statements as and when required. For more information see the Mogers Drewett Guide to Lasting Powers of Attorney.

**Bath** 01225 750 000 | **Sherborne** 01935 813 691 | **Wells** 01749 342 323