

## **Decommissioning of Prevention Service for Adult Social Care Service**

### **Hearing Impaired Services**

Currently, DeafConnect has a contract with Northamptonshire County Council to provide a number of services to help deaf and hard of hearing adults to continue to live independently in their own home, with their family or carer(s).

DeafConnect offers an information, advice and support service to promote independence including access to specialist equipment and interpreting services. DeafConnect also provides opportunities for people to:

- meet and socialise, taking part in a variety of activities
- get access to health and care services
- develop skills for independence, employment and hobbies

Due to Northamptonshire County Council's poor financial situation however, we need to understand the impact of stopping this contract with DeafConnect or the services being provided in a different way. We would like to hear your views on this.

This consultation seeks to gather feedback and evidence about the impact of ending the Council's current funding arrangements only for the **adults** support service (Children's First will look separately at funding arrangements for children).

The deadline for this consultation is **5pm on 8th November 2018**.