

Project		CAB Outreach (Warsop)	
Lead delivery partner		Mansfield CAB	
Theme	Good Ideas Pot	Priority	Strengthening Communities
Activity	Weekly outreach sessions @Warsop Town Hall	Budget code	N/A
<p><b>Project outcomes. The project provides a generalist advice service in all areas of Social Welfare Law. This includes advice on Housing, Employment, Benefits, Immigration, family, and consumer.</b></p>			
Reporting period dates	Feb 2015 to Feb 2016	Nr of people benefiting from the project during the reporting period	203 individuals have received the advice and support they need. In addition to this, the families of the clients will receive the positive impact of good quality advice.
<p><b>Introduction</b></p> <p>The project has supported 203 people in the first year. Our evidence shows us that around 70% of the people accessing the service are vulnerable. Most of these vulnerable adults are suffering from mental and/ or physical health problems. Much of the work has been benefits advice, particularly disability benefits.</p>			
<p><b>Activities undertaken during reporting period</b></p> <p><i>We run a weekly drop in advice service. In addition thanks to funding from the Money Advice Service we have been able to set up a monthly Debt and Money advice service. These sessions are run by specialist staff who provide the full range of money advice services including representation at Court, Insolvency, Income maximisation, and financial capability.</i></p> <p><i>All the advice provided by workers at Warsop are quality checked by senior staff at Mansfield CAB.</i></p>			
<p><b>Outcomes the project has contributed to</b></p> <p>203 clients received generalist advice and casework, the main enquire area was benefit advice which accounted for 55% of the enquiries. We helped clients claim over £400,000 of benefits much of which related directly to increased disability benefits. Over £500,000 was handled by the team and they successfully reduced client's debt by just under £200,000.</p> <p>See attached case studies for further information.</p>			
<p><b>Timescales</b></p> <p><i>The project is on target and on time.</i></p>			
<p><b>Plans for next reporting period</b></p> <p><i>The service is already busy. We will continue to maintain the current delivery. Should demand for debt advice increase we may be able to increase provision.</i></p>			