

What is important in a dementia friendly community

In 2017-18 we talked to people living with dementia, their carers, and the community about being dementia friendly in Forest Hill

55% Told us **Forest Hill** is a place where someone with dementia **could** live a **quality life**

77% Would like to know how to **better support** people living with dementia

24% Are **not knowledgeable** about dementia

53% Told us TV and radio is the **most effective** way of **helping** people to **understand** more about dementia

We did
332 surveys &
spoke to 43 people

64%
Female

52%
spoke
English

66%
aged 70+

66%
from
Whitehorse

61%
responded

Support to stay
living at home

55%
supported

Social activities

55%
encouraged

Community
awareness

The most important features
of a dementia friendly
community?



People with dementia told us access to transport, support from family and friends, and responsive and respectful businesses, help them to enjoy activities in the community



People with dementia told us poor health, difficulty moving about, poor signage, crowds and noisy places, make it difficult to do the things they enjoy



“Nothing about us, without us”



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