International Longevity Centre – UK Report to ILC Global Alliance May 2013 – September 2014

ILC-UK successes and achievements 2013/14

We have had an exceptionally busy 2014 with 30 reports published on the ILC-UK website since January, over 35 events held to-date and a busy October and November ahead of us. We have grown to almost 4,000 followers on Twitter. We are regularly asked to comment on news stories and we continue to attract national media coverage for our reports.

Earlier this year we were approached by **The Rt. Hon. Steve Webb MP**, Minister of State (Department for Work and Pensions), to host an event announcing the new <u>Business Champion for Older Workers</u>, Dr Ros Altmann CBE, a leading independent UK pensions expert and campaigner. Subsequently, Dr Altmann has agreed to give the Robert Butler Memorial Lecture in London this year.

Following the decision by the Chancellor to remove the need to annuitise, we arranged a meeting with members of our Partners Programme who are involved in financial services. From this meeting, a three stage piece of work was developed. We have completed the first stage, and are currently working on the second stage. We are hoping to incorporate the third stage into the newly launched SOS 2020.

<u>SOS 2020</u>, a major new programme of work, will raise awareness of the need to adapt our economy and society to the big strategic challenges posed by an ageing population. We launched SOS 2020 in July 2014 with two projects: Financial Sustainability – which will focus on how we can deliver sustainable yet adequate retirement incomes and Health Sustainability – which will focus on fostering innovation in health and social care system

We increasingly undertake impactful **analysis of economic trends**. We undertook analysis of the economic impact of <u>migration and extended working lives</u> for the Financial Times and within a week we were asked to do similar analysis for <u>Die Welt</u>, the Wall Street Journal and a national <u>Icelandic newspaper</u>.

We are currently working on a major piece of work with The Prince's Initiative for Mature Enterprise (PRIME – HRH The Prince of Wales). The first stage of the project, on **extending working lives**, is due to be launched in October 2014.

Our <u>Population Patterns Seminar Series</u> will be drawing to a close in November 2014 after the final two events, 'Europe's Ageing Demography' and 'Silver Separators'. As part of the series, we published work exploring the <u>demographic implications of Scottish independence</u>, attracting significant Scottish media attention. The Treasury analysis published in May incorporated our findings and <u>Danny Alexander mentioned</u> ILC-UK in his speech on Scottish Independence. Earlier in the year ILC-UK research was <u>quoted by the SNP</u> on behalf of the Yes campaign. <u>A "sold out" event</u> on the topic attracted registrations from 10 policymakers from the Scottish Government. The series also saw the launch of our second annual Factpack, '<u>Mapping Demographic Change</u>'.

We set up a **Commission on Hearing Loss**, to raise awareness of this issue and generate greater traction and support to encourage older people to seek help in this regard. We held two public evidence sessions in June 2014, <u>produced a report</u> and held a celebration launch event in July 2014.

We have also launched a new piece of work, the culmination of 6months work, exploring whether **communities are ready for ageing**. The report was developed with input from over 100 experts.

Working with New Philanthropy Capital (NPC), we launched work to support the <u>Commission on</u> <u>the Voluntary Sector and Ageing</u>. The Commission will now be undertaking outreach to get the views of the voluntary sector.

We have had a series of meetings with the Office of the Chief Scientist who has set "ageing" as one of his key themes to explore (following the Lords Committee on Public Services and Demographic Change last year).

We finished our Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) project on <u>financial wellbeing</u> <u>in old age</u> with a major event chaired by Paul Lewis, a prominent British financial journalist and presenter of Money Box on BBC Radio 4. We have published a summary of the research on our website. We also organised an event on financial satisfaction across the world.

In July 2014, we held an event to launch the <u>dementia and prevention research</u>. This event will hopefully lead to further collaborative work on the dementia and prevention agenda.

We are coming to the end of a collaborative research project exploring how loneliness, social isolation and exclusion specifically affects men, how men and women may experience this differently and what sort of gendered interventions and support may we need to think about in the future.

We have continued to undertake **new economic analysis** to support media work or existing projects. We undertook some analysis of the new Wealth and Assets Survey and published it on the day the new data became available.

We are working on a piece of work on <u>Electrical Safety in an Ageing Society</u>. An Evidence session will be held in late October 2014 where we will hear from expert witnesses with a specific focus on housing and dementia.

Nick Kirwan continues to head up the **ILC-UK Care Funding Advice Network (CFAN)**. The Network recently responded to the Treasury (HMT) Consultation: Freedom & Choice in Pensions and to the FCA Consultation on the framework for the pension Guidance Guarantee. The Network continues to participate on the DH Transformation Group on implementing the Care Act, developing the Statutory Guidance and shaping the consumer awareness campaign.

We have continued to secure high profile speaking slots including speaking at an event in Barcelona to over 500 people on adult immunisation. We have also spoke at internal Department for Work and Pensions (*DWP*) events and at a European Commission event on digital exclusion.

Changes to ILC-UK Senior Management team

Following Noreen Siba's retirement in June 2014, ILC-UK were delighted to congratulate David Sinclair in his new role as Director, Sally-Marie Bamford in her new role as Research and Strategy Director and Rhiannon Lavin in her new role Operations Director. Baroness Sally Greengross still leads the organisation as Chief Executive.

Parliamentary activities (Baroness Sally Greengross)

Outside of Sally's role at the ILC-UK, Sally was heavily involved in the Children & Families Bill and the Care and Support Bill. Other key contributions in parliament in 2013 included debating the public services and demographic change Committee's findings and also addressing how private companies can manage public services.

She continues to chair a number of All Party Parliamentary Groups (APPGs). In 2013, The Corporate Responsibility Group had its inaugural lecture with Will Hutton, a British political economist, writer, weekly newspaper columnist and former editor-in-chief for The Observer. As Chair of the APPG on Dementia Sally has been involved in the activities surrounding the G8 Dementia Summit in December 2013 and she is working with both American and UK colleagues to develop an international parliamentary group on dementia which will take forward the dementia strategy globally. Sally was also asked to host the World Dementia Council in Westminster.

ILC-UK Publications May 2013 – September 2014

ILC-UK PUBLICATIONS			
Month/Ye ar	Publication Name	Link	
May 2013	Extending Working Lives: a provocation	http://bit.ly/1CDanM E	
May 2013	Downsizing in later life and appropriate housing size across our lifetime	http://bit.ly/1wTF3W N	
Jun 2013	Tales of the Tallyman: Debt and problem debt among older people	http://bit.ly/1sLBsvX	
Jun 2013	What role for extra care housing in a socially isolated landscape?	http://bit.ly/1vst2Z1	
Jun 2013	Personal Care Savings Bonds - a new way of saving towards social care in later life	http://bit.ly/1pDymlN	
Jul 2013	A review and summary of the impact of malnutrition in older people and the reported costs and benefits of interventions	http://bit.ly/YFWM8g	
Jul 2013	Ageing, longevity and demographic change: A Factpack of statistics from the ILC-UK	http://bit.ly/1iltnS4	
Jul 2013	Understanding the oldest old	http://bit.ly/1pnlyjh	
Sept 2013	Working Longer: An EU Perspective	http://bit.ly/1vrnz2N	
Sept 2013	The burden of constipation in our ageing population	http://bit.ly/1otBQlk	
Sept 2013	The mortgage debt of older households and the effect of age	http://bit.ly/YFXCSh	
Oct 2013	Grandparental Generosity	http://bit.ly/ZnbRN0	
Nov 2013	Adult vaccination - a key component of healthy ageing	http://bit.ly/1rpJRDT	
Nov 2013	Immune Response. Adult immunisation in the UK	http://bit.ly/1BydH9t	
Nov 2013	End of Life Care	http://bit.ly/1wTGmE W	
Dec 2013	Impact of an ageing population on service design and delivery in rural areas	http://bit.ly/1kmuDd4	
Dec 2013	Demystifying non-mortgage borrowing in older age: a longitudinal approach	http://bit.ly/YLqs3m	
Jan 2014	The relationship between mental wellbeing and financial management among older people	http://bit.ly/1mKmJyF	
Feb 2014	Linking state pension age to longevity - tackling the fairness challenge	http://bit.ly/1nDZxTt	
Feb 2014	The end of the Census	http://bit.ly/1sLC3O6	
Feb 2014	The Future Care Workforce	http://bit.ly/1u8iXQR	
Feb 2014	I can't afford to die. Addressing funeral poverty	http://bit.ly/1u8j2nn	
Mar 2014	Financial Wellbeing in later life. Evidence and Policy	http://bit.ly/MTDBId	
Mar 2014	2030 vision: The best - and worst - futures for older people in the UK	http://bit.ly/1rBmtlO	
Mar 2014	The Budget 2014	http://bit.ly/1rzuXZj	
Mar 2014	Working longer in Northern Ireland: valuing an ageing workforce	http://bit.ly/1yxlQgN	
Mar 2014	Financial satisfaction and happiness in older people	http://bit.ly/1lrZQ1c	
Apr 2014	Age of opportunity. Putting the ageing society of tomorrow on the agenda of the voluntary sector today	http://bit.ly/1rBpt1o	
Apr 2014	Summary of Age of opportunity. Putting the ageing society of tomorrow on the agenda of the voluntary sector today	http://bit.ly/ZnkKpH	

Apr 2014	Population Ageing & the Voluntary Sector: Key Figures & Projected Trends	http://bit.ly/1pDCana
Apr 2014	'Missing' 90-year-olds	http://bit.ly/1uynGwv
May 2014	Scottish Independence - Charting the implications of demographic change	http://bit.ly/1pDCh1R
May 2014	Getting out and about	http://bit.ly/1uZvnIK
May 2014	At Home	http://bit.ly/1qR06Uc
May 2014	Ensuring communities offer what older people want	http://bit.ly/YGb5d4
May 2014	Four things we learned from the Wealth and Assets Survey	http://bit.ly/1uynUDO
Jun 2014	The UK Equity Bank - Towards income security in old age	http://bit.ly/1nEaSD3
Jun 2014	Freedom and choice in pensions: risks and opportunities	http://bit.ly/1mKBKjX
Jul 2014	Community Matters: Making our Communities Ready for Ageing - a call to action	http://bit.ly/1mKBKjX
Jul 2014	Scottish Independence	http://bit.ly/1pnNLYm
Jul 2014	Commission on Hearing Loss: Final Report	http://bit.ly/1naZdbY
Jul 2014	Preventing dementia: a provocation	http://bit.ly/1uZvXGo
Jul 2014	Mapping Demographic Change - A Factpack of statistics from the International Longevity Centre – UK	http://bit.ly/1r6hEjj
Jul 2014	Whither UK annuities?	http://bit.ly/1qR16YB
Aug 2014	A Better Offer: The future of volunteering in an ageing society	http://bit.ly/1qWim1V
Aug 2014	Getting Ready for Ageing: a manifesto for action - summary	http://bit.ly/1wlGddm
Sep 2014	Getting Ready for Ageing: a manifesto for action	http://bit.ly/1uyov8G
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Upcoming autumn 2014 ILC-UK events

Thursday 16 th Oct 2014	Social Connections and Wellbeing in Older Age
Tuesday 28 th Oct 2014	The future of transport in an ageing society. ILC Global Alliance and Age UK. Hosted by Prudential
Tuesday 28 th Oct 2014	Electrical Safety in an Ageing Society - Evidence session
Wednesday 29 th Oct 2014	Ageing and Mobility: ILC Global Alliance Symposium. (Kindly hosted by the Local Government Association and supported by Alliance Boots)
Wednesday 29 th Oct 2014	Robert Butler Memorial Lecture: Productive Ageing given by Dr Ros Altmann. (Kindly hosted by the Local Government Association and supported by Pfizer)
Wednesday 5 th Nov 2014	Europe's Ageing Demography. An ILC-UK Population Patterns Seminar Series event, supported by Partnership
Tuesday 18 th Nov 2014	'Silver Separators' An ILC-UK event as part of the Population Patterns Seminar Series, supported by Partnership
Thursday 20 th Nov 2014	The Importance of Older Workers for European Economy, supported by Prudential