March 2015 was the last Telecare LIN newsletter supported by Innovate UK, KTN Ltd and the Assisted Living Innovation Platform and we would like to thank them for their support in recent years.

There have been over 12,000 new links of interest since April 2015 – sadly, we are unable to bring them to you in a curated format at this time.

Going forward we need your support. To maintain a comprehensive monthly news summary going out to over 40,000 people, we are looking to crowdsource funding to support the website, content and hundreds of links and journal article references each month. We are currently looking for a number of organisations to support continuing production (including supplements, Twitter stream, archive) at around the £5k level per year. The news service, currently in its tenth year is recognised as an authoritative source and valuable resource in the UK and in other parts of the world working on digital health, telehealth, mHealth, telemedicine and telecare.

Many people also value the extensive coverage of UK health and care policy as well as regular site listings and supplements (eg telehealth, dementia, long term conditions). This is, therefore, an opportunity not to be missed if your organisation would like to be associated with the sector-leading newsletter and our successful brand. You can email j.porteus@telecarelin.org.uk for details.

In the meantime, we will be providing a limited ‘headline only’ service for registered members of the website whilst we establish whether or not the crowdfunding approach is successful over the next three months. You can still follow Mike Clark on Twitter (@clarkmike together with summaries on Storify and Rebelmouse) or Jeremy at @HousingLIN or on the Housing LIN homepage.

Some News Headlines this week

(i) Extra money for NHS in England (incl £1bn for tech), social care able to levy a 2% council tax precept, reductions in DH funding – announcements from this year’s Autumn Statement and Spending Review. Links:

- Spending Review and Autumn Statement 2015: key announcements bit.ly/1MCpXxr
- Chancellor George Osborne’s Spending Review and Autumn Statement 2015 speech bit.ly/1MCq38u
- Local government funding at the Spending Review 2015 bit.ly/1MCq80
- Spending Review and Autumn Statement 2015: documents bit.ly/21fIgQJ
- Department of Health's settlement at the Spending Review 2015 bit.ly/1Yuhdiu
- Spending Review – Health and Social Care - bit.ly/1YuoZZw
- Spending Review – Housing (Section 6.6) bit.ly/1Yupm6r

Spending Review section on technology in health
“The government will invest £1 billion in new technology over the next 5 years to deliver better
connected services for patients and ensure that doctors and nurses have the information they need at their fingertips. By September 2018, 80% of clinicians in primary, urgent and emergency care will have digital access to key patient information. By 2020 integrated care records will give every health and care professional concerned with an individual’s care the information they need to provide safe and prompt care. The government will invest £10 million in expanding the Healthcare Innovation Test Bed programme. This facilitates partnerships between industry and the NHS to make healthcare more effective and efficient by testing combinations of new digital technologies and innovations in NHS services. The Test Bed programme will fund a testing site in every region”. bit.ly/1YuoZZw

Additional links:

- Osborne injects £3.8bn to help reduce financial pressure on NHS bit.ly/1NbRGXk
- George Osborne to give the NHS an extra £6bn in Spending Review bit.ly/1NbRI1F
- George Osborne to fast-track £4bn NHS investment in bid to head off crisis ind.pn/1MOlMwv
- NHS to get above-inflation £3.8bn cash boost next year bbc.in/1MOlIT4
- Osborne gives in over NHS spending bit.ly/1NbRZ4p
- Simon Stevens won his extra NHS cash. Now for the hard bit bit.ly/1N6MQq5
- NHS England boss: £3.8bn will relieve 'huge pressures' bit.ly/1N6NPGS
- Osborne to hike NHS budget £3.8bn in 2016/17 bit.ly/1N6NGDb
- £3.8bn NHS injection offers “fighting chance of Five Year Forward View transformation” bit.ly/1N6T3oX
- An NHS funding plan at last – but what’s the catch? bbc.in/1MOUm9O
- The Guardian view on the NHS settlement: a good compromise, but not a generous one bit.ly/1NbTeRo
- The seven-day NHS is a dangerous obsession until we fix social care bit.ly/1XemAox
- Autumn Statement: George Osborne to announce massive housebuilding boost bit.ly/1XeiVXU
- Spending Review: George Osborne to pledge housing cash amid cuts bbc.in/1Xei4q8
- NHS budget will rise to £120bn by 2020/21 bit.ly/21g3FcH
- Chancellor pledges £1bn for NHS tech over five years (HSJ Subscription) bit.ly/1Yuq9vL
- Spending review: Osborne gives NHS £1bn for technology boost bit.ly/1YuqnLQ
- Questions asked about £1bn NHS IT fund http://bit.ly/1HoW9Fl
- More links.

(ii) Last winter saw the highest number of winter deaths since the turn of the millennium as respiratory diseases claimed thousands of lives (Telegraph article).

(iii) NHS England are to recruit for the new role of 'chief information & technology officer' following Tim Kelsey’s departure HSJ News.

(iv) Is HSCIC sharing data of patients who opted out of care.data?’ - Computing News.

(v) The Caring Home - A Consultation Document - via SH&BA

(vi) Last few places remaining for Scottish Digital Health & Care Conference – booking.
Events List - 2015

December

UK HealthTech, Cardiff, 1 December 2015 http://www.ukhealthtech.com/


Regional Health Insights Events - interoperability:

- Manchester 2 December 2015
- Leeds 8 December 2015

http://www.healthinsights.co.uk/

Dallas events:

- Glasgow 9 December 2015

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dallas-delivering-innovation-for-health-and-wealth-tickets-18775280369

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