



### 1. Title of the Project

Wells Community Hospital Carer training scheme

### 2. Location of the Project and Area of Coverage

Wells Community Hospital, Mill Road , Wells-next-the-Sea , Norfolk  
NR23 1RF

### 3. Justification

- Wells Cottage Hospital was closed in November 2004 but reopened *halfway*– for outpatients only – and run as Wells Community Hospital
- The hospital has been cited by the Department of Health as flagship project in bringing care closer to home, an essential step in providing health and social care in a rural community with special needs and helping the local problems suffered by the increasing proportion of elderly people within the area and the United Kingdom at large.
- Current journey times to the nearest hospitals at Kings Lynn or Norwich are in excess of 40 minutes for those with cars and there is no viable public transport.
- Offering special training to both paid and informal carers, many of whom lack the necessary skills, will empower them and improve the quality of life for those being cared for.
- This will act as one important step towards the rebuilding of the hospital inpatient unit as well as generally – for this community at large.

### 4. Activities of the Project

The Medical Trust will finance the project which employs the trainer of carers, for 1 year. By supporting this TMT project it means that the money is not being lost in the ‘pool’ of the hospital budget.

### 5. Inputs

- Following training - To set up and run courses for informal carers and individuals with long term conditions which will promote independence and well being

### 6. Requirements from outside the project

- Finance
- Monitoring

### 7. Calendar of Activities and budget

Activity Est Cost



#### Key

Start



Ongoing

