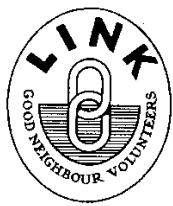




THE BEDWYNS' LINK SCHEME

Registered Charity 1052579

Link helpline 07717 006787



What do you know about Bedwyn's Link Scheme?

Come and find out at our Link AGM in Great Bedwyn Village Hall at 6pm on 9 March or look at our new website <https://bedwynslink.org.uk/>

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Last year we completed 238 trips and travelled 5237 miles, mainly taking local people to hospital, doctor, and dentist appointments who can't drive themselves. When we have enough volunteer time we also help with other important tasks (eg shopping, collecting prescriptions).

We have 8 coordinators who answer the Link helpline and organise trips with our 15 wonderful volunteer drivers. Our service covers people in the Bedwyns, Wilton, Froxfield, Shalbourne, the Graftons, St Katharine's, Vernon Dean and anyone registered with the Bedwyns surgery.

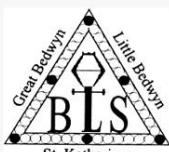
Can you give some time to our Link team - answering the phone, driving people to appointments or helping people in their homes? You don't need to commit to regular hours. Do get in touch with us on **07717 006787**



The Bedwyns' Link Scheme covers an area with:

Population = 2300 approx.

About 1600 households in the Bedwyns, St Katharine's and Grafton Parishes & people registered with Great Bedwyn Surgery



154 trips (increase from 2024)
(4412 clinical miles)

District Hospital	42	↓ Since 2024
Other Large Hospitals	10	↓ Since 2024
Community hospitals	17	↑ Since 2024
GP surgeries	47	↑ Since as 2024
Dentists & other health	38	↑ Since 2024
Total 2025	154	

We also undertook 84 non-clinical trips (825 miles)

Non-medical trips include collecting prescriptions, day centre transport and shopping.

Total miles = 5237

Average miles/trip= 22



Volunteers gave **1137 Hours**
decrease from 2024

39 hours / volunteer



Economic Value* **£21,148**

£ per volunteer = £729

*Based on an hourly rate of £18.60, ONS Southwest Average.

29 Volunteers

15 Drivers

8 Coordinators

6 Committee

Average total miles/.driver = 349

Total donations = £3,554

