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| **Working carers | Agenda for the Employers Forum Meeting 25th October 2018 14.00**  To be held at the offices of DWF: Bridgewater Place, 1 Water Lane, Leeds LS11 5DY |



**Items to discuss**

1. Introductions, including any new Forum members

1. Updates on working carer employer issues in the city

* Feedback on Leeds Commitment to Carers
* Significant developments from Forum Members

1. Progress on the Carers Leeds Working Carers service for employers
   * Setting up one to ones in the workplace
   * Presentations and training for employers/managers
   * The toolkit for employers
   * Self assessment for employers
2. Resources
   * Demonstration of the revised Carers Leeds webpages for the Employers Forum
   * Communication survey for Forum Members
   * Newsletter

1. Case studies and successes
   * Feedback from employers using the one to one service
   * Showing of relevant case study videos
2. Sharing ideas from the Forum:

* What practical support do we give to working carers eg

*Paid carers leave*

*Career breaks for carers*

*Short notice flexibility*

*Using business emails and phones for carers*

*Use of external specialists for working carers*

*Having a specific policy on support for working carers*

*Use of Carers Passports and individual carer support plans*

*Training for managers to build awareness*

* How are we using on line and digital approaches to support working carers in our organisations?
* How do we ensure our managers understand what support the organisation offers our working carers?
* How do we publicise our support for working carers to gain maximum coverage and buy in?
* How do we use carers forums at work – how effective are they.

1. Any other items of interest (please notify us beforehand of any items)
2. Data and location of the next Forum

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