



## News Headlines: 10 December 2015

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 14,000 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](mailto: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](#).

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### Some News Headlines this week

- i) NHS discharge delays hit record levels – October figures published ([BBC News](#)).
- ii) Kent County Council has awarded the UK's largest independent provider of telecare a five-year contract to help more than 7,000 vulnerable people in Kent stay living independently ([24 Dash Article](#)).
- (iii) Martha Lane Fox sets out key digital proposals for the NHS – 4 [recommendations](#) to National Information Board.
  - [A digital NHS for everyone – Tim Kelsey and Martha Lane Fox](#)
  - [Martha Lane Fox sets out her digital proposals for the NHS](#)
- (iv) National Information Board quarterly leadership summit: [video](#) from 8 December 2015.
- (v) Vital care services for older and disabled people in England remain at risk - despite government attempts to protect the sector, care leaders say ([BBC report](#)).

(vi) Prescribing data from NHS GP practices across England can now be [scrutinised](#) online to see how responsive they are to cost-efficiency and patient safety recommendations.

(vii) 'Patient Online - Access GP online services'- [information](#) from NHS Choices.

(viii) The first ever Technology Charter for people living with dementia in Scotland has been [launched](#) at the Scottish Digital Health Conference in Glasgow.

(ix) Mark Gollidge of LGA [outlines](#) how digital can support the integration of health and care, tackle some of the long-term challenges and help to deliver person centred services.

(x) Coming up in 2016 - Better Care [Events](#) for learning and sharing success.

(xi) Nominet Trust 100 - 'Winning tech inventions that help people live better' ([Guardian article](#)).

(xii) The Tech house of the future: take a look around ([Guardian article](#))

(xiii) Should we be worried if our homes are soon smarter than we are? ([Guardian article](#)).

(xiv) Long Term Care Revolution – winning bids:

- [Innovate UK funding for assistive robotic system will offer a 'new perspective on ageing](#)
- [Press releases for 'CHIRON' & 'Give & Take' - part of Long Term Care Revolution](#)
- [Leading the care revolution by giving and taking](#)

(xv) Information about dallas programme at DHACA [website](#).

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