Standard web addresses for your web pages

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This is a guide on how to update the web addresses for your pages.

A web address is also known as a URL.

If you need further help on the CMS, please check all of our guides available on the Partner Digital hub.

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1. What this guidance is about

When you create a page on your website, it automatically generates a URL (a web address), which will contain information on where the page was created and what the page is called.

When building your site in the new CMS you should place your pages under certain sections with clear URLs.

2. Why it is important

- It will help visitors to your website find the information they need quickly and easily.
- It will help to collect valuable data from across the whole network about your services and web pages.
- It will help to direct more users looking for local services from the national site to your site.

3. What you need to do

You will be provided with a basic website that has the top menu structure shown in the diagram below, plus a number of template pages.

Our services	Activities and events	Get involved	About us	Buy products
Get the support you need	Ongoing social activities	How you can help	What we're doing in the community	Tailored to your needs

Your services and information and advice pages should all sit underneath the *Our Services* section (this means the URLs for those pages will automatically begin with www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/our-services). Your events/activities (eg coffee mornings, fitness classes etc) should be under *Activities and events* and the URLs will start with www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/activities-and-events/.

When you create a page on your website, you will give each page a name. You can name the page whatever you want but it's important to change the URL to reflect what the service is.

Example:

Your footcare service is called Happy Feet. You create a page under the *Our Services* section and name the page Happy Feet.

The URL will automatically be:

www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/our-services/happy-feet

We would ask you to amend the web address so that the page the user sees is still called Happy Feet but the URL is: www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/our-services/footcare. This is because someone looking for footcare services in your town is more likely to search for 'Footcare in Anytown' than 'Happy Feet in Anytown'. You should apply this rule across all pages on your site.

4. How to amend your URLs

Go to the properties for a page on your website by clicking the properties button:



You will see a grey box appear at the top of the screen. Ringed in red below is the Name field, which shows the name that you have given the page.

Ringed in green below is the place where you can amend the URL for the page, by clicking the link that says "change" beside it.



In this example, the page for the footcare service is called Happy Feet but the URL is www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/our-services/footcare.

Important Notes:

When amending the URL you can only amend the last part of it – the part highlighted below. The first part of the URL is created by where the page is located on the website.

www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/our-services/footcare

Only use lower case letters in your URL and use hyphens (-) to separate words. This is regarded as a web friendly URL. Please do NOT use underscores in your URLs as these are not regarded as web friendly and will create broken links across your website.

<u>www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/our-services/home-help</u> [Correct example - hyphen used] <u>www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/our_services/home_help</u> [Incorrect example - underscore used]

5. The Our services section

After extensive research and discussions with the Age UK network, the names and categories in the table below were agreed. Please amend your URLs to fit these categories where possible.

To get the most out of your visitors' customer journey, we do not encourage the use of too many pages when one page may be enough. For example, if you have three dementia support groups, you could put these all under one dementia support page if there is not much content for each one.

Our Services	What content fits into this service?	URL examples
Visiting and befriending	Loneliness, peer support and telephone befriending services.	Main URL: our-services/visiting-and- befriending
		Example URL:
		our-services/visiting-and-
		befriending/loneliness
Cafe and restaurant	Information about your café or restaurant. You may only	Main URL: our-services/cafe-and- restaurant
	need one page.	Evennle LIDL:
		Example URL: our-services/cafe-and-restaurant/menu
Social activities	Arts and crafts, cookery	Main URL: our-services/social-activities
Social activities	courses, digital photography	Wall OIL. our-services/social-activities
	and outings.	Example URL:
	and oddingo.	our-services/social-activities/cookery-
		courses
Exercise/physical	Strength and balance	Main URL: our-services/exercise
activity	classes, cycling, golf, keep	
	fit, swimming and walking.	Example URL:
		our-services/exercise/cycling
IT training	IT classes, computer training and mobile phone	Main URL: our-services/it-training
	classes.	Example URL:
		our-services/it-training/computer-training
Handyperson	Handyperson service, eg minor home repairs and home adjustments.	Main URL: our-services/handyperson
Home help	Home help services, eg meals on wheels,	Main URL: our-services/home-help
	housework, cleaning,	Example URL:
	laundry.	our-services/home-help/laundry
Shopping	Shopping services. You may	Main URL:
	only need one page.	our-services/shopping
Dementia support	Dementia support services, eg memory cafes, singing	Main URL: our-services/dementia-support
	for the brain groups, or post-	Example URL:
	diagnosis support.	our-services/dementia-support/memory- cafe
Footcare	Footcare services. You may	Main URL:
	only need one page.	our-services/footcare

Personal care at	Care and support in the	Main URL: our-services/personal-care-at-
home	home services, such as	home
	bathing and weekend care.	
		Example URL:
		our-services/personal-care-at-
		home/bathing
Transport	Transport services you offer,	Main URL: our-services/transport
	eg minibus, community	
	transport, car scheme or	Example URL:
	dial-a-ride.	our-services/transport/taxi
Day care centre	Day centre information	Main URL: our-services/day-centre

6. Information and advice pages

After extensive research and discussions with the Age UK network, the names and categories in the table below were agreed. Please amend your URLs to fit these categories where possible.

You may choose to have just one page for your information and advice services, like the template page you have been supplied with in the upgraded CMS.

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Our Services: Information & Advice section	What content fits into this section?	URL examples
Information and advice landing page	This could be a landing page leading to other pages, or it could be the only page you have for your information and advice service.	Main URL: our-services/information-advice
Benefits and money	Information and advice you offer such as benefit checks, pension advice and wills.	Main URL: our-services/information-advice/benefits-money Example URL: our-services/information-advice/benefits-money/wills
Organising care and support	Information and advice on organising care such as independent living, palliative care and care homes.	Main URL: our-services/information-advice/organising-care Example URL: our-services/information-advice/organising-care/care-homes
Housing options	Information and advice on sheltered housing, moving home and housing advice.	Main URL: our-services/information-advice/housing-options Example URL: our-services/information- advice/housing-options/housing-advice

Accessing local	Information and advice on	Main URL: our-services/information-
services	local services, for example,	advice/accessing-local-services
	signposting information to	
	local organisations such as	Example URL:
	your local library.	our-services/information-
		advice/accessing-local-services/libraries

7. The About us and Get involved sections

For the following pages, please make sure your URLs are as indicated below (again, you can name the pages as you wish, it's the URL that we are asking you to amend).

About us section

About us page – www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/about-us

Contact us page – www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/contact-us

Shop/s page (if you have more than one page on your website about shops, please just amend the URL for the landing page for your shops) – www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/about-us/shops

Get involved section

Donation page (if you have more than one page on your website about donating, please just amend the URL for the landing page for donating) – www.ageuk.org.uk/get-involved/donate

Volunteering page (if you have more than one page on your website about volunteering, please just amend the URL for the landing page for volunteering) – www.ageuk.org.uk/anytown/get-involved/volunteer

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