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### **Case study three:** Chronology

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Date	Life event	Outcome and/ or response
01.06.45	Susan born	Second of two daughters, brought up in West London. Father a teacher, mother a seamstress who went on to also train as a teacher once the girls were at secondary school. Susan and her sister attend a local grammar school for girls.
22.09.65	Grace and Susan met at University, Susan an undergraduate and Grace a doctorate student, both in the politics department.	Became firm friends and travelled together during vacations.
24.12.69	Grace and Susan become a couple	They decide to plan a life together of political activity in various parts of the world. Both active in the women's liberation movement and members of Amnesty International, which Grace had been involved in since its foundation in the early sixties.
18.04.73	Having worked and saved for several years, Grace and Susan set off travelling with the intention of working on their travels, volunteering and then seeking paid work. As the higher earner during these years, and with a small inheritance from an aunt, Grace bought a small flat which was rented out whilst they were travelling, enabling Grace to pay off a substantial part of her mortgage.	Grace and Susan spend time volunteering in South America and then travel north to USA and Canada. They become active with Greenpeace, founded in Vancouver in the early seventies, and remain in Canada for some years. They save hard in order to travel again, remaining active in the promotion of global sustainability throughout their travels.
22.11.94	Grace and Susan decide to return to England, with the intention of seeing more of their families, though they also plan to travel regularly throughout their retirement. They decide that they will be more specific in telling their families about their relationship. Grace retired though Susan carries on working having found employment in England prior to their return.	Grace sells her flat and buys a larger house in order for them to set up home together in England.  Susan carries on working, the couple living off of her earnings.  They continue with campaigning and maintain their international networks, socialising both at home and abroad.
29.10.05	Susan retired.	The couple enjoyed their shared retirement for five years during which time they travelled on their savings.
2010-2015	Grace becomes increasingly frail. Although both Grace and Susan regret that their shared retirement is now not what they had earlier enjoyed, they have built up local networks of friends with shared political interests, which Susan continues to enjoy. Susan also enjoys seeing her nephew regularly, Graham, who lives nearby.	The couple stop travelling and Susan increasingly takes on the day to day care of Grace. Susan enjoys her walks with Graham as this is the little exercise she now gets as Grace has become housebound. Grace is more and more frustrated at her growing lack of independence and immobility, and becomes more irritated when Susan does not do things the way that she likes them to be done.

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13.01.16	Susan finds Grace on the living room floor after a fall at home.	Grace admitted to hospital with a suspected shoulder fracture.
15.01.16	Initial medical assessments, physiotherapy and occupational therapy assessments. Information gathering by medical staff from conversations with both Grace and Susan.	Hospital staff recommend that Grace should not be discharged home as she currently requires 24 hour care. Concerns include significant loss of weight, increasing risk around the home and that Susan is finding it hard to cope. Hospital Social Work team referral for assessment made.
21.01.16	Hospital SW assessment.	Grace agrees to go to a step-down bed for up to six weeks for reablement.
January and February 2016	Grace receives reablement service, including physiotherapy and occupational therapy.	Some improvement in Grace's mobility and slight weight gain. Specialist social work, physiotherapy and occupational therapy assessments completed for Grace.
15.02.16	Multi-disciplinary meeting with Susan and Grace	Grace still requires significant support day and night. Grace and Susan ask for time to discuss what they will do.
22.02.16	Further meeting between Grace, Susan and the professionals.	Grace agrees to go into a residential care home 'for a trial period'. This will be LA funded. Susan and Grace both very upset.
25.02.16	Susan phones the social worker from the multi-disciplinary meeting.	Susan talks about how difficult the decision was, how anxious she is about Grace, her concerns about money and the house. Susan wants to know how she can support Grace and how she will cope without her. SW agrees to meet with Susan to do a carers' assessment.
01.03.16	Further meeting with Susan.	Carer's assessment and support plan completed.
08.03.16	Paperwork completed.	Sent to Susan.