

<u>N&E Blog</u> and <u>N&E Friday Flyer</u> Covering the wards of Illingworth & Mixenden, Northowram & Shelf, Ovenden, Warley and Pellon

# **N&E Friday Flyer – 29 January 2021**

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The Friday Flyer is a weekly round-up of news and what's on in North and East Halifax. We hope you will find this informative and useful. Let us know what you think!



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# **Latest News**

# Vaccination information for front line VCS workers & volunteers supporting health, social care and the most disadvantaged clients

The Local NHS across Calderdale and Kirklees is working with Calderdale and Huddersfield Foundation Trust Hospital and their respective Councils, and we are now able to offer vaccinations to frontline VCS paid workers and volunteers who support individuals with their health, social care or those who are most disadvantaged or vulnerable. *More information* 

## **Laptops for Learning – from Calderdale Council**

We've teamed up with the Community Foundation for Calderdale and The Valley Learning Partnership to launch Laptops for Learning – an appeal to purchase laptops for pupils most at need while they are being home schooled. <u>Read more</u>

#### Zoom session – Calderdale Budget 2021 Consultation

Join us on Zoom on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 4pm** to hear about the Cabinet budget proposals 2021/22 to 2023/24 and have your say! <u>Join session</u>

#### Harry Potter Book Night with Calderdale Libraries

Celebrate Harry Potter Book Night with us on Thursday 4th February. As Hogwarts is closed this year, all students are home-schooling and we are offering a virtual opportunity for learning. <u>To Platform 9 34...</u>

# Time to Talk Day 2021 takes place on Thursday 4 February 2021

Time to Talk Day is the day that we get the nation talking about mental health. This year's event might look a little different, but at times like this open conversations about mental health are more important than ever. <u>Join the conversation</u>

#### Job Vacancies at VSI Alliance

We are recruiting for 2 exciting new posts! Be part of the VSI Alliance team that's supporting Calderdale charities & community groups who are, in turn, making such a vital difference to local people. Apply here

## Shielding Experts webinar February 3rd, 2021

West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership (WY&H HCP), along with the Local Resilience Forum, West Yorkshire Prepared, will host 'The Shielding Experts' webinar on Wednesday 3 February, providing a valuable opportunity to listen to people about their experiences of shielding. <u>Attend webinar</u>

# West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership launch staff suicide prevention initiative

West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership (WY&H HCP) will launch an innovative staff suicide prevention campaign targeted at more than 100,000 health, care, voluntary and community service colleagues working in organisations large and small across the area. *More info* 

# Still time to apply for a Ward Forum Grant in North and East Halifax

There is still time to apply for a Ward Forum Grant of up to £500 for a project that will benefit your ward area or local community. The deadine is 31st March 2021. *Apply* 

#### West Yorkshire's first large vaccination centre opens

Large vaccination centres are part of NHS plans to step up capacity and roll out the vaccine more widely, complementing the local vaccination services being provided by groups of GPs. They have been located in areas with good public transport links or parking facilities. <u>Read more</u>

#### **Community To Play Key Role In Tackling Serious Violent Crime**

Do you have what it takes to help combat serious violent crime? The West Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) is calling on people across the county to join its first ever Community Advisory Group. *Interested?* 

# Covid19 vaccination info – as of 15/12/2020

The following outlines the key messages on the coronavirus vaccine, regarding how it will be made available, its safety and effectiveness. The information is correct at the time of posting. *Read more* 

#### Calderdale Covid Champions Information about the virus and the scheme

A very thorough document on Covid Champions, what they do and plenty of useful information on what is coronavirus, how it works, how it is spread, safety measures and helpful links. <u>Read it here</u>

# Safe Online: From Fake News to Extremism in a Digital Age

We are pleased to offer 3 opportunities to take part in our Safe Online Training program. This programme is delivered by the Peace Museum, funded by the Home Office and free for participants. *How to attend* 

# Community Thank You Call for 2021 back on

We had a minor technical glitch with out form but we are still very much wanting to receive your thank you messages. <u>Send your message</u>

# Our Year in Snapshot by North Halifax Partnership

We know that the pandemic is bringing us some challenges but North Halfiax Partnership continues to support our communities and adapt our services to meet local need. We thank our Trustees, staff and volunteers who every day ensure NHP is building a better future for all generations. *View our Snapshot* 

## NHP Partners Consultation 2021 from 20th January – 17th February

It is that time of year again where we are asking for you to undertake a short survey with the aim to get your views and feedback. <u>Share your views</u>

## Disability Partnership Calderdale newsletter 21 January 2021

The latest Disability Partnership Calderdale covers lockdown information and resources, coronavirus vaccination news, Morrisons doorstep deliveries among others, as well as a useful contacts for help and support. *Read newsletter here* 

# **Community Foundation for Calderdale announce new appointments**

The Community Foundation for Calderdale is pleased to welcome Rachel Burnett and Amanda Lawson to the staff team who work to give out over £1 million worth of grants each year in addition to flood and Covid19 related grants. <u>Read more</u>

#### VSI Alliance Update January 22, 2021

Read the latest VSI Alliance update here

#### **National Strategy for Disabled People Survey**

To help the government with understanding the barriers that disabled people face and what it may need to focus upon to improve the lives of disabled people, we need to hear about your views and know more about your experiences. <u>Take the survey</u>

#### **FREE NHP Employment and training courses**

Are you interested in gaining extra qualifications or expanding your knowledge during lockdown? North Halifax Partnership has the following FREE online employment and training courses available. *Take a look* 

#### Healthy Minds Workshops & Groups February 2021

Healthy Minds Calderdale are putting together a series of informative, helpful workshops, designed to assist during the challenging times we're facing. There are social groups and art workshops too. You're bound to find something of interest! *Find out more* 

# Economic Inequalities and Financial impact of covid survey by February 5th

A short survey has been compiled in order the gather the voices of as many Calderdale residents as possible to help inform this review. All responses will be used to help prepare a report which will be discussed at the Place Scrutiny Board meeting on Thursday 25 February 2021. The report will also be used to help inform the Council's COVID-19 Recovery Plan. <u>Take the survey</u>

# **Coronavirus Latest**

# **Anti-Poverty Virtual Event, 25th February 2021**

You are invited to a Virtual Event: Exploring the impact of Covid-19 on poverty and inequalities in Calderdale Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2021 2.00pm-4.30pm (Register no later than 12 February)

# **Challenging Racism in Housing February 12**

Calderdale Stand Up to Racism invites you to a Zoom event about **Challenging Racism in Housing.**Join session

# Have your say on the budget for the future of Calderdale

The proposals were presented by the Leader of the Council at a Cabinet meeting on Monday 11 January 2021, marking the start of a 28-day public consultation. <u>Have your say</u>

# **COVID-19 Newsflash: Targeted Testing – Lateral Flow Testing for Voluntary and Community Groups**

Calderdale Council is supported by the Department of Health and Social Care to deliver a new COVID-19 testing programme, as part of a national programme. Lateral Flow Testing brings is an additional tool to support with the control of disease transmission across our community. <u>More information</u>

## 3 key steps to stop the spread of coronavirus

There are 3 key things we can all do to stop the spread of coronavirus: 1. Limit contact with others as much as possible 2. Wear face covering 3. Isolate if symptoms develop or are advised to do so by the NHS.

# **Food Banks in Calderdale**

During this unprecedented time, Calderdale's food banks, which are mainly led by volunteers, are relying on the kindness of our communities even more than usual. All food and financial donations will be very gratefully received by the food banks to help them top up their supplies. *Can you help?* 

#### **Virtual Volunteer Hub**

Look online for how to contact groups in your area. We are creating a directory of groups who are working locally to help people who need support. We will post updates on here as we get them. Details here

# **Get Involved / Have Your Say**

# Let's put a stop to fly-tipping

The monthly round of fly tipping in Calderdale is a post we can't wait to stop posting! Our aim is not to name and shame but to pass the message that fly tipping is unacceptable. <u>Full story</u>

# Halifax Railway Station interim public consultation

An interim, non-statutory, digital public consultation for the Halifax railway station design proposals will begin on 18 January for 4 weeks. <u>Share your views</u>

#### **Community Thank You 2021: January 14**

Welcome to our weekly round of Thank You notes. These are the first notes we have received for 2021. We look forward to receiving yours! <u>Read them here!</u>

#### **VSI Alliance – We want your feedback on content**

The VSI Alliance are seeking your feedback on our weekly update to find out if we are including the right information for you and your organisation's needs. Your feedback will form part of a review of the layout and content of our update to make sure it is fit for purpose and as useful as possible. <u>Take the survey</u>

# **Community Thank You Call for 2021**

2020 was a tough year for all of us however, a number of fantastic people have consistently supported the community and been outstanding. Despite entering another lockdown, North Halifax Partnership will be continuing with the "NHP Community Thank-You" in order to continue spreading the joy and gratitude in our communities. <u>Submit a Thank You!</u>

#### Calderdale Vision 2024 – Take the survey by January 31st

Our vision for Calderdale is a place where you can realise your potential whoever you are, whether or not your voice has been heard in the past. If you're 16 or older and live here, please take a few minutes this January to tell us about your life in Calderdale. <u>Take survey</u>

# Halifax Magpies mixed ability Rugby New Players Wanted

Wanting a new challenge? How about burning off the extra food from Christmas or even meet new people? If the answer is yes to any of these then why not try Halifax Magpies rugby? <u>Get in touch</u>

#### **EU Nationals UK Settlement Scheme appointment sessions**

If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen and you wish to remain in the UK after 30 June 2021, then you must apply to the EU Settlement Scheme. If you need support to apply we can help. <u>Book an appointment</u>

#### Offer of office furniture From Lead the Way

Lead the Way are presently moving out of their old office at Threeways Sports Centre and have found some spare office furniture they no longer require. <u>Enquiries</u>

# **Funding and Grants**

#### **Grant Round Open To Support West Yorkshire Communities**

West Yorkshire's Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) has opened his latest grant round of the Safer Communities Fund (SCF) with £140,000 available, made up from Proceeds of Crime monies successfully secured by police and prosecutors. *Read more* 

#### Is your attic room costing you money?

Up to 25% of a home's heat can be lost through the roof and if your attic room is not properly insulated, you could be wasting money on your energy bills. <u>Check eliqibility</u>

#### **Green Doctors Calderdale – Free Service to help reduce energy bills**

We help households to **save between £100 – 1000 per year** on their energy bills through switching and increased energy efficiency whilst also making homes warmer and healthier. <u>Find out more</u>

# Ward Forum Grants North and East Halifax by March 2021

There is still time to apply for a Ward Forum Grant of up to £500 for a project that will benefit your ward area or local community. <u>Apply here</u>

# **Cash boost for Calderdale community groups**

Calderdale's voluntary groups are invited to apply for grants of up to £25,000, to help communities recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, tackle poverty and build strong neighbourhoods. *Application info* 

# **VSI Alliance: Community Business Renewal Fund Application**

The Community Business Renewal Fund provides grants of between £10,000-£20,000 to community businesses in England affected by the Covid-19 crisis to adapt, renew and rebuild their business so they can remain financially viable. *Find out more* 

#### Calderdale Suicide Prevention and Self-harm Small Grants

We are looking to work with voluntary and community organisations to implement innovative approaches to help us to meet our vision for Calderdale. *Check eligibility and apply* 

# **Events and What's On**

# **Online Arthritis Action Groups**

Arthritis Action Groups are an opportunity for people with arthritis to talk with others and share their tips on how to manage their arthritis and stay active whilst at home, and we actively welcome new attendees. *Join the group* 

#### Disability Partnership Calderdale newsletter 15 January 2021

The latest Disability Partnership Calderdale covers coronavirus news, the In Touch project, has lots of exercise ideas and links as well as a wealth of useful contacts for help and support. <u>Read newsletter here</u>

#### **Lead the Way January 2021 eBulletin**

The latest Lead the Way eBulletin is out with helpful resources for clients and carers, organisations that can support you and information on their online sessions. <u>Read it here</u>

#### Traffic collision updates for the 5 districts of Yorkshire

These are road traffic collision updates for the 5 districts of West Yorkshire. This information was sourced through Leeds City Council. *Read reports* 

#### NeighbourhoodWatch OUR NEWS January 2021 edition

Our popular monthly newsletter OUR NEWS January 2021 edition is here!

#### Money Matters Q & A session with Citizens Advice

For anyone with a question about money. Check out this fun money personality quiz and see if you need our help. *Find out more* 

# New National Lockdown – CMBC Libraries Service Update

Due to the current lockdown, the services on offer in our libraries have been scaled down. <u>Information</u>

#### CREW Heart Support Group – Walk through Starfish & Syke Hill

This week's CREW Heart Support Group Bulletin features a self guided 5.5 miles walk through Starfish & Syke Hill. The walk is marked as Grade 2+ and estimated to take 2.5 hours to complete. <u>Take the walk</u>

## The Pulse Bulletin, Latest CREW Heart Support Group newsletter

Welcome to CREW news! Scroll down for details of our walks, exercise classes and social events plus recipes and interesting articles. <u>To the newsletter</u>

# Calderdale Forum 50 Plus News January 2021

This month Calderdale Forum 50+ discusses the lockdown, Shielding Guidance, Transport, Mental Health, Local service advice and news around Coronavirus and the vaccine. *Read newsletter* 

# INC360 and the Piece Hall present Black Dyke Trombone Assemble Video

This month, we have been working with the fantastic community interest company INC360 who created a short video of The Halifax Choral Society and Black Dyke Trombone Assemble performing Christmas carols at The Piece Hall to demonstrate a service they are developing for children and young people experiencing loneliness. *Find out more* 

# Virtually Well sung, online community singing group launching

No auditions, no previous experience needed and you don't need to read music! It's a Fun and Informal virtual gathering you can join from the comfort of your home. Find out how singing can help your general wellbeing! <u>Join us!</u>

#### Music Makes You voice and instrument online lessons

Music Makes You, a co-operative of established and professional music tutors in the Calder Valley, are excited to offer a new range of online workshops in singing, guitar, ukulele or piano and keyboard. <u>Book a session</u>

# **Children and Young People**

## Place2Be events and resources for Children's Mental Health Week 1 – 7 February

Place2Be.org.uk have prepared a series of activities, workshops and information to promote awareness and direct to sources of assistance for those in need. *Visit resources* 

#### Is your child feeling stressed, worried or uncertain...?

Open Minds Calderdale have compiled a helpful leaflet for dealing with the concerns and worries of children and young people. It is important to remember that such feelings in children, as well as their carers, are normal and understandable in stressful situations. *Find out more* 

#### Sure Start Activities to do with your children at home

Are you looking for ideas to keep the little ones busy? The brilliantly creative minds at Sure Start Children's Centres have put a few ideas together for you to try. <u>Get inspired</u>

## **OPEN CALL for LGBTQ+ Youth in Calderdale: Radio Project YOUth On Air**

YOUth on Air Calderdale is an opportunity for a group of young queer people to come together ad explore issues that are important to them. more

# **Health and Wellbeing**

# Be sugar free this January – and for ever!

At this time of the year we'd probably be hitting the gym or setting fitness and weight loss goals. Yet watching what we eat is equally important as the exercise we take, if not more so. <u>Read more</u>

#### First Steps – Walking Workshop in Calderdale February 1st

Getting out for a stroll is one of the few ways we can all move more at the moment. We'd like your help to understand what groups, routes and resources are out there so together we can make it easier for everyone to find a way to walk. <u>Join us</u>

# Safespace Calderdale, out of hours support for emotional distress by Healthy Minds

Safespace is an out of hours emotional support service for adults in Calderdale. It is a place of safety for people experiencing emotional distress. We can offer you the time and space to talk through what's happening and explore different ways to help you. <u>Access info</u>

# Try Dry January and enjoy the many benefits of no alcohol!

Warning: Side effects may include better sleep, improved skin, loss of weight, saving money! Start 2021 the best way possible and join in with the Dry January one-month alcohol-free challenge, or, challenge yourself to do 31 dry days starting from TODAY

#### Active Calderdale tips on restrictions safe exercising

New Year, new COVID rules. So what can you do to keep moving and be active? Find out

## Winter Payments Available for Families in Need

The government recently announced a package of extra targeted financial support for those families most in need across England for the cost of food, energy and water bills and other associated costs. <u>Act now</u>

#### Staying Well is here for you

January is a hard time for many of us and as we face our 3rd National Lockdown people may be struggling more than ever. As dark nights and shivery mornings become the norm Staying Well want to reiterate that no one needs to feel alone at this time. <u>Contact staying well</u>

#### Active Calderdale advice on improving your sleep

Getting enough sleep is so important to ensure that we feel replenished and ready for the day. If you need advice, have a look at these sleep guides. It is amazing how much better we all feel after a good night's sleep! <u>Read more</u>

## Well Connected will help you get your motivation back!

The Well Connected project wants to re-energise you and your community by providing new opportunities and supporting access to leisure and recreational activities, nature based and creative sessions. You can either try these on your own, as a family or as a community group. <u>See what's available</u>

# **Employment Support and Training**

# Paediatric First Aid up to Easter 2021 – spaces still left

There are still spaces available to book on the following Paediatric First Aid training courses offered by Jill Webb Training. <u>How to book</u>

# Strengthening Families Strengthening Communities free Parenting Programme

Halifax Opportunities Trust, Sure Start Children's Centres & North Halifax Partnership are working with UCL and Race Equality Foundation to offer Strengthening Families Strengthening Communities free Parenting Programme. Join the programme

#### 50% off 2021 Spring Calderdale Adult Learning Courses

We're currently offering a 50% discount for everyone who enrolls on one of our spring courses. English and maths courses are free for everybody and many of our courses are offered free to those in receipt of JSA/ESA or on a low income. <u>More information</u>

# **Community Safety**

#### Be phone aware – telephone COVID related scams

We have received information from the NHS regarding many different scams relating to Covid-19 that are currently circulating. <u>View them here</u>

# **Domestic Abuse resources during lockdown**

This ecall provides more information on domestic abuse and the services that can help if you or someone you know is a victim of it. There is never an excuse for domestic abuse, no matter what the circumstances. *Get informed* 

#### Message from West Yorkshire Police on burglary prevention

Crime prevention doesn't have to cost a lot of money – taking simple measures such as locking your doors and windows, not leaving valuables on display and using your alarm can significantly reduce your chances of being a victim. *More info* 

#### **Stay Winter Wise!**

Have you seen Calderdale Council's Winterwise booklet, delivered to all households in Calderdale? It is divided into useful sections such as the following information on preparing your home for winter to give you peace of mind during severe weather conditions... more...

#### Northern Power Grid message for winter months readiness

As the winter months are closing in, particularly with the Covid pandemic still on, many may find themselves having additional concerns. Northern Power Grid offer a Priority Service for individuals that are likely to need extra assistance. <u>Learn more</u>

## West Yorkshire Trading Standards Scam Alert #21 December 2020

This Monthly alert outlines trending fraud patterns during the current COVID-19 pandemic and what we can do to stay protected. <u>Read here</u>

**Latest Jobs** All the latest jobs and apprenticeships from our dedicated <u>Jobs page</u>. For more information on the jobs below including how to apply, **Click here** 

- Volunteer Hub Co-ordinator with VSI Alliance Jan 28, 2021 Closing February 25
- Food Poverty Coordinator with VSI Alliance Jan 28, 2021 Closing February 22
- Assistant Finance Support Officer at Migration Yorkshire Jan 28, 2021 Closing Feb 2
- Finance Support Officer at Migration Yorkshire Jan 28, 2021 Closing February 15
- Refugee and Migrant Participation Officer at Migration Yorkshire Closing February 15
- Data and Statistics Manager at Migration Yorkshire Closing February 15
- Information Support Officer at Migration Yorkshire Closing February 15
- Employment Opportunity: Programme Lead Inclusive Economy Closing February 12
- FREE Employment and training courses Closing February 7
- Memory Lane Cafe Calderdale looking for new Treasurer Voluntary Role

# Want to know what's going on in other parts of Calderdale?

Did you know there are blogs covering the <u>Central Halifax</u>, <u>Lower Valley</u> and <u>Upper Valley</u> areas too? And regular email newsletter updates. Follow the links!

# **Friday Flyer - Contact Us:**

- Recommend a friend to get the Friday Flyer by emailing us
- Publicise an event in the Friday Flyer
- \* Submit an event to an online calendar
- Advertise your service or community group

Please be advised that the deadline for posting on the Friday Flyer is **12pm on the Thursday** before it is due to be circulated. Anything arriving later than that may have to go on the following week's flyer.

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