

Thursday 20th August 2026

PROVIDER BULLETIN

To submit any material for the bulletin, the deadline is 5pm the day before the next edition is due. Please ensure any information you consult is from a reliable source, including the NHS, or Public Health England. Information should be sent to ProviderBulletin@bradford.gov.uk.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Upcoming events can also be viewed in the **EVENTS CALENDAR** in the Provider Zone

*If you are aware of any upcoming events and would like to advertise on the Event Calendar, please visit **HERE** and post an entry.*

RESIDENTIAL AND NURSING CARE HOMES

Bradford Council is publishing a policy about the approach to Unpaid Client Contributions for net payments. The policy outlines the specific terms in the contract (contained in the Pricing Schedule) and gives details of the Council approach. The document is within the care home contract documents, which are stored in the **Provider Zone** and can be accessed here: **Unpaid-client-contributions-policy**

IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR ALL PROVIDERS!

RIGHT TO WORK CHECKS FOR OVERSEAS STAFF EMPLOYED BY VIRTUE OF THE '20-HOURS ADDITIONAL' RULE

ALL Providers who employ overseas workers on the 'additional 20-hours' immigration rule – please read important information below!

It is crucial that your organisation checks that the overseas worker is allowed to work for your organisation, so that you do not run the risk of illegally employing the overseas worker employed by virtue of 'additional 20-hours' immigration rule.

Additionally, to your usual recruitment practices, you must check and retain for your records (as recommended by Aston Brooke solicitors): That the worker continues to work full-time hours for their main Home Office Approved Sponsor (HOAS) employer. **If the worker is no longer working full-time for their main HOAS employer, then the worker cannot work for your organisation for the additional 20-hours, as this is illegal working.**

Right to Work (use the share code) - [Check a job applicant's right to work: use their share code - GOV.UK](#)

Current visa and the end date to remain in the UK

The best evidence to show that the worker continues to work full-time for their main HOAS employer is to obtain and file a copy of the overseas worker's monthly pay slips for the last 3 months (as given to the worker by their main HOAS employer). **This should be done at least every 3 months.**

N.B. If a Provider is found to have employed an overseas worker illegally, **the fine is £60,000 for the first worker**, £45,000 for every worker thereafter, and repeated offences can result in imprisonment for the Provider. For further information or legal advice contact Aston Brookes, a partner of BCA at: support@astonbrooke.co.uk



KEEPING TRAFFIC MOVING

The first cameras have been installed in Bradford city centre, targeting two junctions where drivers regularly ignore traffic rules such as banned turns and yellow box junctions. This behaviour contributes to congestion and creates safety risks for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

The first locations are at

- Shipley Airedale Road / Leeds Road – enforcing the existing no-right-turn restriction
- Godwin Street / Sunbridge Road – enforcing correct use of the existing yellow box junction

At each location, a six-month warning period will apply once cameras become operational on 17 August. During this time, first-time offenders will receive a warning notice rather than a fine. After the warning period, drivers who ignore restrictions may receive a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) of £70, reduced to £35 if paid within 21 days.

There are also plans to introduce cameras at additional locations. A public consultation is now live on proposals at the following junctions:

- Vicar Lane / Bridge Street Junction – enforcing the existing no-right-turn restriction.
- Manchester Road / Croft Street Junction – enforcing banned turns and prevent blocking of the box junction.

The consultation will run until Wednesday 16 September 2026.

[Have your say](#)

WORKFORCE SURVEY (INTERNATIONAL RECRUITS AND UK DOMESTIC STAFF)

The People's Commissioning Service has launched a new **Workforce Survey (International Recruits and UK Domestic Staff)** and requires the following services to complete it:

- Residential Care Homes
- Nursing Care Homes
- Domiciliary/Home Care
- Supported Living Services
- Extra Care Housing (where care staff are directly employed)
 - Learning Disability Care Providers
 - Mental Health Supported Living/Care Providers
 - Complex Care Providers
- Shared Lives providers (if employing sponsored care workers)
 - Day Activities

The survey will help us understand current workforce capacity, recruitment activity and staffing challenges across commissioned services. This information will be collected **quarterly** to help us monitor trends and support workforce planning across the sector.

Survey link:

<https://online1.snapsurveys.com/yu58lh>

Please complete the survey by **close of play 26 August 2026**.

You can also access the survey by scanning the QR code below:



VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LEVEL ONE TRAINING

As part of the healthy working life programme, we are delighted to share we can now offer further vocational rehabilitation level one training dates. The training will be delivered by Cathi Ridding who is an Occupational Therapist and Vocational Rehabilitation expert in our system.

Last year we trained staff and volunteers working in cardiac, pulmonary and stroke rehabilitation teams. Of the 146 people who have already attended the training 82% rated the session as 'very good' or 'excellent'.

Vocational rehabilitation enables people to overcome obstacles associated with illness, injury or health conditions that impact their ability to work. It can help people enter or return to work or remain in employment, training or an alternative occupation.

Here's an opportunity to access bespoke vocational rehabilitation training to support conversations that can help people stay in work. You'll learn about:

- the importance of work and health for wellbeing
- vocational rehabilitation – what it is and how we do it in practice
- reasonable adjustments, relevant policies and legal protections
 - having return-to-work conversations
- supporting people to advocate for themselves in employment discussions
- signposting and the range of services and resources available

If you work or volunteer for a health or social care service in West Yorkshire, this training is for you. Just select which session you'd like to attend and click the link to register.

Tuesday 8th September 2026 - 11.00am to 12.30pm

This activity is part of Healthy Working Life, a joint programme of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board. To find out more, go to wypartnership.co.uk

REQUIREMENTS FOR ORGANISATIONS OUTSIDE OF THE COUNCIL JOINING MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETINGS

External attendees to Teams meetings arranged by Council staff should please follow the instructions on this link:

[Guidance for partner organisations](#)

To join a meeting, users from external organisations must sign in to their organisation's Microsoft Teams account before joining the meeting.

By signing in with an organisational account, participant identities can be verified and will not appear as anonymous attendees. This allows meeting organisers to clearly identify who is requesting access before admitting them to the meeting.

PLANNING CHILDCARE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026? DON'T MISS THE 31 AUGUST DEADLINE

If your child will be attending childcare from September 2026, you could be eligible for up to 30 hours of free childcare each week through the Free Childcare for Working Parents **scheme**.

Don't miss the 31 August 2026 deadline to receive your childcare eligibility code.

To start childcare in September 2026:

✓ Check if you are eligible for the Free Childcare for Working Parents **scheme**

✓ Your child must be at least 9 months old by 31 August 2026 ✓ Apply through a **GOV.UK** childcare account (you can register online) ✓ Receive your eligibility code before 31 August 2026

Start your application today and secure your code in time. Once approved, you'll receive an 11-digit eligibility code to share with your chosen childcare provider.

[**Find out more**](#)

Action for Nature Day

Thursday 29 October, 11am – 4pm

Cartwright Hall & Lister Park, Bradford, BD9 4NS

Join Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, Bradford Council, and friends for a wild day at Lister Park

- Fun nature-themed crafts and activities for all the family
- Nature and wellbeing walks
- Wildlife talks and workshops
- Plant seeds to take home
- Make homes for wildlife
- Learn about how to make your community wildlife-friendly
- Discover local groups, projects and volunteering opportunities
- Find out about the Nature's Way project in Bradford and Keighley

 Accessible by public transport Light refreshments will be provided Parking available on site

Free event,
no booking
needed



Scan for more information or visit:

[ywt.org.uk/events/
2026-10-29-action-nature-day](http://ywt.org.uk/events/2026-10-29-action-nature-day)



Scan for site information or visit:

[bradfordmuseums.org/venue/
cartwright-hall-art-gallery](http://bradfordmuseums.org/venue/cartwright-hall-art-gallery)

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- C-Card & Condoms
- Signposting to other services

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