

Thursday 30TH October 2025



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.

- BCA Annual Conference – 13th November - Click [HERE](#)
- End of life best practice workshop – 18th November - book via academy@yhia.nhs.uk
 - Understanding and responding to self neglect conference – 21st November
 - Managing Meds With Confidence - 9th Dec – Click [HERE](#)

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

CARE HOME BROKERAGE TEAM

LIVE FROM 3RD NOVEMBER

A final reminder that **from Monday (3rd November) all new care home placements in Bradford for older people will be made through the Care Home Brokerage Team.** (With the exception of emergency out of hours placements that cannot wait until the next working day)

You can find information about the brokerage process on our Provider Zone - [Care Home Brokerage | Bradford Connect to Support](#).

If you haven't received your Connect to Support password, please email CareHomeBrokerage@bradford.gov.uk. From 3rd November, you can also call the team on 01274 434 191 (option 3).

CAPACITY TRACKER DATA – CQC REFRESH

A CQC refresh took place on Thursday 23rd October 2025. Providers expecting changes to be applied by the CQC (assessment ratings, services or regulated activity) should now review their account following the update. If any anomalies are found, such as incorrect or missing new/transferred locations, please reach out directly to CQC for assistance.

REMINDING RESIDENTS TO RENEW POSTAL VOTE APPLICATIONS

Letters are being sent to remind registered postal voters who need to re-apply if they wish to continue to vote that way.

Following changes introduced by the Elections Act 2022, postal voters now need to reapply to vote by post every three years.

All postal voters who completed a postal vote application form before 31 October 2023 are required to renew their postal vote application no later than 31 January 2026.

We have contacted all affected postal voters in the district directly informing them of the new rules and encouraging them to reapply as soon as possible ahead of the deadline. Reminders to those who haven't taken any action will be sent out this week.

The quickest and easiest way to renew a postal vote application is to reapply online at www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote

[Find out more](#)

ANNIE - INNOVATIVE ARTIFICIAL INDEPENDENCE ADVISOR

The Department of Adult Social Care is proud to introduce 'ANNIE', an innovative Artificial Independence Advisor designed to transform how residents access Adult Social Care support across the district.

Available 24/7 via WhatsApp, Annie offers instant, multilingual assistance, supporting over 40 languages through text and voice notes.

The new digital solution platform will assist people across the district who maybe searching for local voluntary services, community activities, exploring technological solutions or equipment. Annie will be able to help find information quickly at the tap of the screen offering greater independence for people in the comfort of their own home.

To start chatting with Annie and begin your journey toward greater independence and wellbeing, simply type your question using WhatsApp on 07418 609003 and or use the following link <https://wa.me/447418609003?text=hi> or visit: Bradford Council's website: <https://bradford.bullet-ai.com/>

Read More: [Bradford Council launches Digital Advisor for Adult Social Care](#)

HALF-TERM AND HALLOWEEN FUN

Half-term's here! Don't panic there's plenty of fun, free and freakishly fabulous Halloween and half-term holiday activities and events taking place across the Bradford district to keep little and not so little monsters happy!

- Ghostly encounters at Bolling Hall Museum with [Boll-o-ween](#) and [Halloween Hyacinths](#) events and [calico bag making](#) at Bradford Industrial Museum
- Events at [Darley Street Market](#) including pumpkin carving, film screening and crafts
 - [Pumpkin carving](#) and face painting at [Keighley Market](#)
 - [Wizard Spectacular](#) in Centenary Square from Bradford BID
- Ringmaster & DJ present his 'Six Wonders Of The World' - stilt walkers, aerialist, fire performers and an outdoor bar at [Circus](#) at Darley Street Market
 - Hauntingly great events in our parks

It's not all about Halloween though, there are lots of other things to do, visit the [Visit Bradford](#) website

Sign up to receive [information about events](#) in the Bradford district direct to your inbox every week.

WARM SPACES

Across Bradford District there are Warm Spaces – venues where people can gather for free in a safe, friendly place and maybe enjoy a drink and some company.

The network of Warm Spaces is made up of libraries, community centres, church halls, sports clubs and other places.

Warm Spaces are totally free to use and are open to everyone.

To find your nearest Warm Space and when it is open, [search the directory](#).

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CARE TO SHARE

We are excited to share with you further **Care to Share** sessions which have been scheduled into late November, and the Round 2 call out for further applications to contribute to the *Care to Share* programme. We have **3 more micro-awards of up to £300** to be awarded to deliver peer to peer skills sharing sessions between late November and late January 2026.

To find full details of how to apply, please follow this link: [Care to Share: Creative Health Micro Awards | Bradford 2025](#)

JOIN US FOR AN **ONLINE** OPEN DAY!

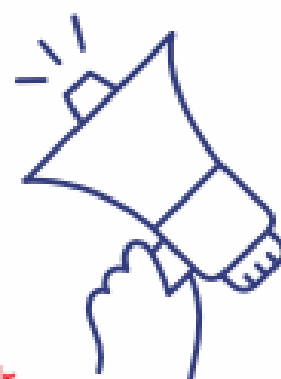


**Carers' Rights Day 20th November
2025 12noon-1pm**

Join us to hear about
Carers' Resource and the
support we offer in
Bradford, Craven,
Harrogate and Selby.



Learn about **Carers Rights**
and how we support young
carers & adult carers locally.



Link:

<https://meet.google.com/orc-dbrk-ndr>
or email engage@carersresource.org

#CarersRightsDay!

FREE ONLINE WEBINAR:

ASC FAIR PAY AGREEMENT: ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

THURSDAY, 6TH NOV (11 AM – 12 PM)

This online webinar will take place via MS Teams and is FREE to join for care providers across Yorkshire and The Humber.

The webinar will explore the Government's plans to introduce Fair Pay Agreements (FPAs) in adult social care. The session will cover:

- What an FPA is, why it's being introduced, and how it links to the Employment Rights Bill
- Key timelines, the development process, and progress so far
- The public consultation – its purpose, how to respond, and how your input can shape the future of fair pay
- Q&A – giving you the chance to engage directly with DHSC colleagues and contribute to the national conversation.



MS Teams Joining Details:

Meeting ID: 333 101 628 557 1

Passcode: CM9L9Zd2

**To receive a calendar invite &
MS Teams Joining details, email**

admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

SELF-NEGLECT

What Lies Beneath



Safeguarding means spotting
the danger before it surfaces.

CONFERENCE

FRIDAY 21ST OF NOVEMBER 2025 9AM – 2.30PM

HOCKNEY ROOM, BRITANNIA HOUSE, BRADFORD

BOOK HERE



Further support email:

safeguardingtraining@bradford.gov.uk

NEY Community & Primary Care Nursing

Community of Practice

Wednesday 26th November via MS Teams 10.00-11.00



North East
and Yorkshire

Community and Primary Care nursing is pivotal in delivering high-quality, person-centred care within homes and communities across the North East and Yorkshire region. As the demand for community and primary healthcare services increases due to an aging population, rising complexity of care, and the shift towards integrated neighbourhood health care models, there is an urgent need to create a collaborative network for community and primary care nurses to share knowledge, drive innovation, and shape the future of services. As such, we are establishing the North East and Yorkshire Community and Primary Care Nursing Community of Practice.

Membership is open to individuals and organisations leading and influencing community and primary care nursing across North East and Yorkshire, including:

- Lead community and primary care nurses working in community, district, and specialist roles.
- Advanced clinical practitioners, nurse consultants, and practice educators.
- Representatives of Commissioners, service managers, and policymakers involved in community health.
- Academics and researchers focused on community nursing.
- Professional bodies, social care and voluntary sector representatives working within the community setting.

If you would like to attend, please contact the NEY Community Health Services team at england.communityhealthservicesney@nhs.net



ACTIVITY COORDINATORS MEETING

NEXT ONLINE MEETING ON MS TEAMS

10AM THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2025

Aimed at Activity Coordinators, Social
Prescribers, Creative Health practitioners,
Registered Managers within ASC!



Guest Speakers, Sharing Ideas, Useful Contacts and
Experiences, Networking!

For more information and to be part of the Activity
Coordinators Network, email:
ami@bradfordcareassociation.org



ACTIVITY
COORDINATOR'S
NETWORK

BCA
Bradford Care Association

GREGGS FOUNDATION | COMMUNITY FUNDING

Greggs Foundation | Community funding - £20,000 per year for up to two years to small, local, not-for-profit organisations that are addressing social and economic disadvantage in their communities. The funding is primarily for **core costs** such as staff salaries, rent, and utilities, helping community organisations remain stable while delivering essential services that improve wellbeing, reduce isolation, and build stronger local networks. Eligible applicants must have an annual income between **£25,000 and £1 million**

ABCD MICRO GRANTS WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) Micro Grants take an asset-based approach – this means building on the strengths, skills, connections, and resources that already exist within communities, rather than focusing only on what is missing. The grants will support activity that values local knowledge and lived experience, and that empowers people to be part of the solution.

You can read more about ABCD working here: **[ABCD – What is Asset Based Community Development? - The VCS Alliance](#)**

PITCH AND PICK AWARDS WITH EDUCATION ALLIANCE FOR LIFE CHANCES

This November, three Bradford communities (Keighley, Holme Wood, Manningham & Girlington) will host the 'Pitch and Pick' awards– evenings where we share a meal, enjoy family activities, and decide which local projects should receive funding. Think of it as a mix between a community get-together and Dragons' Den – but with soup, laughter, and children's activities thrown in! Each community will have a different priority to pitch for. The winning ideas will receive £5000 of funding to make a real difference in your community.

Process: Submit an Expression of Interest (EOI). Successful EOIs will be invited to join their 'Pitch and Pick' award evening where they will have 3-minutes to pitch their project before a participatory vote will choose the successful winners of the grant awards.

Grant money: Total funding pot £75,000, award amount:£5000

Application Deadline: 1 November 2025

Details how to apply here: **[Education Alliance For Life Chances 'Pitch and Pick' awards - The VCS Alliance](#)**



We would like to invite Learning Disability & Mental Health Supported Living Providers to a full day event of learning and networking

 **Date:** Wednesday, 26 November 2025

 **Time:** 9:15 AM arrival to start at 9.45AM– 4:00 PM

 **Location:** The Hockney Room, Britannia House, BD1 1HX

Please use the entrance opposite Ladrokes & Paddy Power (there will be stalls to browse at lunch and you can venture into Bradford where there are multiple options to buy lunch)

The day will include presentations and information regarding:

- Safeguarding – what to report what not to report and case examples
- Accidents & Incidents recording and analysis
- Waddiloves – Oral & bowel health and how to support and learning from LeDeR reviews (learning from lives and deaths)
- Mental Capacity Assessments and Best Interests
- Community Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards

Places are limited and we would be delighted to see your Registered Managers/Deputy Managers & Senior Support Workers, please email commissioninginbox@bradford.gov.uk (adding in the subject header for the attention of Victoria Lowe) include the number of places you would like to reserve and name of attendees.