

Thursday 9th January 2025



**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](mailto:ProviderBulletin@bradford.gov.uk).

### **KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

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

- Opening event to welcome in Bradford as UK City of Culture – January 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Bradford 2025 Social Prescribing Awards Applications – January 20<sup>th</sup>
    - Women’s Health Conference – February 27<sup>th</sup>
    - Have your say on proposed savings – March 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Dragons - Eun-Me Ahn Dance Company – March 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>
    - Black Dyke Band - April 12<sup>th</sup>

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

### **BRADFORD 2025 SOCIAL PRESCRIBING AWARDS**

The Bradford 2025 Social Prescribing Awards are now live. These awards empower artists, researchers, community groups, and organisations in Bradford District and Craven to use arts and culture to tackle health challenges. There are two tiers of award available – we anticipate making 8 awards of up to £30,000 for partnership projects delivering medium-scale activity; with up to 18 smaller awards of up to £6,000, for smaller projects.

The closing date to apply is 9am on Monday 20 January 2025.

**The mandatory reporting window for the Capacity Tracker is open between 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> January. Care Homes and Home Support providers please ensure a submission is made in this window. The Care Home vacancy map is refreshed on Monday morning each week, care homes are asked to keep their submission up to date each week to appear on the map when there are vacancies.**

## **RISE EVENT**

What better way to start 2025 than welcoming Bradford UK City of Culture with the opening event: RISE – a huge celebration of the people and communities who make Bradford magic.

Don't miss out! With one week to go this could be the last chance to get your hands on tickets for a magical night to remember.

**Date: Friday 10 & Saturday 11 January 2025**

**Where: City Park, Bradford**

**Tickets: £2 - or free for under-16s, over-60s and Youth Pass members**

This spectacular open-air show has been created by director Kirsty Housley in collaboration with Steven Frayne, the Bradford-born magician formerly known as Dynamo – and we'd love for you to join us for an unforgettable night.

Capacity for this event is strictly limited, and everyone needs a ticket, which are available exclusively at [RISE | Bradford 2025](#) with no booking fees.

**[Book now](#)**

**A link to the Home Support Winter Pack 2024 which is hosted on CfS under the Business Support heading on the Provider Zone.**



## **HAVE YOUR SAY**

There is still time to have your say on some of the savings' proposals that have been put forward to save the Council money and ensure the Council's financial stability.

At its meeting on 5 November 2024 the Council's Executive committee recommended its revenue budget saving proposals for 2025-26 for engagement and consultation. The consultation for these proposals has now closed.

There were further savings proposals recommended at the Executive meeting on Tuesday, 3 December and you can still have your say on these proposals. The closing date for consultation on these proposals is Sunday, 19 January 2025.

On 6 March 2025 the Council will meet to decide its budget and spending plans for 2025-26. Have your say on the proposals.

[Have your say](#)

## **DISCOUNTED GYM MEMBERSHIP**

If one of your New Year's resolution is to join a gym and get more exercise, choose ClubActive. For less than £30 a month you will get access to multiple gyms and pools across the district. Most gyms offer a range of fitness classes including spinning, and the highly acclaimed Les Mills programmes.

There's no joining fees or cancellation fees should you decide it's not for you. Pay for a full year and receive 2 months free! If you currently use any of the pools more than twice a week and aren't currently a member, you will save money and gain access to the gyms by signing up.

[Find out more](#)

## **Shape the future of AI within NHS Communications: short survey and consultation launch**

At the NHS Confederation, we are working with the AI in NHS Communications Taskforce to support the NHS communications profession to build capability in this area. To help us do this, the NHS Confederation and the Taskforce are surveying the wider communications community to understand AI's current and potential use within NHS communications. This [survey](#) is being launched on the back of an engagement paper [published by the Taskforce: Enhancing NHS Communication Through AI: Strategy, Ethics, Best Practice and Implementation](#). Note this survey is only open to colleagues working in the NHS however you may find the briefing paper of use irrespective of which sector you work in

## **Come along to one of the engagement sessions for the taskforce for diversity in NHS communications**

Please do try to attend to one of two virtual workshops where we will present the findings from a recent survey conducted by the Taskforce for Diversity in NHS Communications:

- [10:00 - 12:00, Thursday 16 January 2025](#)

The survey, part of a broader initiative to improve diversity in the NHS, gathered insights from over 300 ethnic minority communicators and engagement specialists across the NHS, charity and commercial sectors. Some headline findings are outlined in this [NHS Confederation press release](#).

## **LLOYDS BANK FOUNDATION FUNDING OPPORTUNITY**

The Lloyds Bank Foundation, via their specialist programme, are offering funding to small, local, specialist charities that support people facing complex issues.

A grant of £75,000 over three years is on offer to successful applicants.

**The deadline for applications is 23 January.**

**[DASV Training Calendar 2025 HERE](#)**

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce SkillsHouse. Our objective is to engage with local businesses of all sizes and types, supporting local businesses, and enhancing community development, through promoting economic growth, and generating employment opportunities for all residents. Working with Bradford Council and local partners, we support employers to recruit, train and nurture Bradford talent.

SkillsHouse is a **free service** available to individuals and employers in the Bradford district. We currently have approximately 2000 jobseekers from Bradford who are registered with us, seeking employment/ further training and education opportunities.

It would be great to meet with you to discuss how SkillsHouse can support you in all these areas, and more. Can we kindly put a date in the diary, **either** by Teams, or face to face so we can explore and assess your business needs?

Some of the support we offer businesses includes:

Delivering bespoke employability support, tailored to the skills required to fulfil your vacancy.

In work support, offering a coaching and mentoring service, to help with retention and sustainability.

Delivering and promoting opportunities across the Bradford District within local communities, to ensure our service is accessible to all.  
Providing sector-based training to reskill/upskill, to improve sustained employment.

Supporting your business to ensure recruitment incorporates an all-inclusive workforce.

Promoting your vacancy, Apprenticeships, sector-based work academies and training on our SkillsHouse website

Organising locality-based jobs fairs, which help promote your vacancies.

Please can you kindly complete our Business Consultation questions to better understand your business needs

<https://forms.office.com/e/4yrgfNDRDi>

In the meantime, please visit our website ([www.SkillsHouse.co.uk](http://www.SkillsHouse.co.uk)), for further information, and contact me should you require any additional information.

## IHSCM LEADERSHIP OFFER

[CLICK HERE](#)

## BRADFORD BUDDIES AGE UK FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

[CLICK HERE](#)

# WHEELCHAIR SKILLS **FREE SIX WEEK COURSE**



Tuesday  
4th MARCH  
until Tuesday  
8th APRIL  
2025



**Thornbury Centre, 79 Leeds Old Rd, Bradford BD3 8JX**

4th March 2025, 11th March 2025, 18th March 2025, 25th March 2025, 1st April 2025, 8th April 2025  
Morning (10.30am – 12.30pm) OR Afternoon (12.30pm – 3.30pm)

Wheel your way around a safe and controlled course to improve wheelchair skills, manoeuvres, and journey planning. A great way to have some fun and brush up your own active travel wheelchair skills.

Participants must be aged 18+ and have a physical disability which requires the use of a wheelchair; manual or motorised. Please ensure you can attend all planned sessions on the above dates

**Limited spaces available, please email to register: [Info@experiencecommunity.co.uk](mailto:Info@experiencecommunity.co.uk)**

This group is supported by the Active Travel Social Prescribing Project and delivered by Experience Community.



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## **WEBINARS TO HELP YOU MANAGE YOUR ASSETS**

Join the Community Ownership Fund support programme experts for a series of free webinars on how to make your community space the best it can be, in collaboration with Locality, Plunkett UK, Co-operatives UK and DTA Scotland. From generating income by renting out your space, to making sure the space still meets the needs of the community, we'll help you get the most out of your asset. Webinars will cover:

- Renting your space for the benefit of your community
- Why community engagement is key to your success
- Renovating and adapting your space to meet community needs

## **Bookings open for Bradford district and Craven's first women's health conference**

The first Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership women's health conference will take place on Thursday 27 February 2025 at the University of Bradford.

This will be a day dedicated to raising awareness and fostering dialogue around women's health. We're bringing together professionals and community voices through a balanced mix of workshops, plenary sessions, and networking opportunities.

Each session aims to include elements of lived experience to bring the content to life, ensuring impactful and meaningful discussions.

The conference will also see the official launch of our partnership's women's health movement.

Places are free and you can book your place by visiting the bookings page.

**Book now**

**Palliative Care, End of Life and Syringe driver training schedule 2025 free for care home & domicillary care teams**

To find out more click [here](#)

## **Dates for your diary: 'Stay in the know' - changes to our community mental health services**

As our [community mental health transformation programme](#) starts to pick up pace, the programme team are inviting colleagues from across the partnership to come along to sessions – 'Stay in the know': changes to our community mental health services - taking place throughout 2025 to find out more about the programme. This is a great opportunity for you to find out about the work taking place and the role of our wider system. Each session will focus on a key topic and we will share information on these topics closer to the sessions.

Dates and times for 'Stay in the know': changes to our community mental health services, no need to book please join using the MS Teams link below:

- Monday 27 January 2025, from 2 to 3pm on [MS Teams](#)
- Monday 24 March 2025, from 2 to 3pm on [MS Teams](#)
- Monday 19 May 2025, from 2.30 to 3.30pm on [MS Teams](#)
- Monday 28 July 2025, from 2 to 3pm on [MS Teams](#)
- Monday 22 September 2025, from 2 to 3pm on [MS Teams](#)
- Monday 24 November 2025, from 2 to 3pm on [MS Teams](#)

## **Free 'Share and Learn' sessions for unpaid carers**

As part of our free new Digital Resource for Carers (DRC) in West Yorkshire, unpaid carers can also access free online 'Share and Learn' sessions provided by Carers UK. Upcoming topics include:

- Home emergency planning with Scottish and Southern electricity networks- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2-3pm
- Fall prevention information session with Dr Mucci- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January, 12.30-1.30pm
- Support and information on aphasia with Dyscover- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 3-4pm

Carers can book on directly via- [Share and Learn | Carers UK](#)

**The cold weather provision for homeless is open and outreach workers will be out, if you're worried about anyone sleeping rough, please use [StreetLink](#) to connect them to local services. Long term support is also available.**



International Workers in the Care Sector

# Employing workers on supplementary hours – an online workshop



A short online workshop for Care Providers to gain key information around the legislation and compliance  
This workshop will take approx. 30 minutes and will be held on the following dates (you only need to attend one);



**WEDNESDAY, 8 JANUARY AT 2PM**



**THURSDAY, 16 JANUARY AT 2PM**



**THURSDAY, 23 JANUARY AT 6PM**



TO BOOK YOUR PLACE PLEASE EMAIL; [INES.ANTUNES@NORTHYORKS.GOV.UK](mailto:INES.ANTUNES@NORTHYORKS.GOV.UK)

# Deputy Managers Leadership Development Programme



Bradford Care Association (BCA), together with the Institute of Health & Social Care Management (IHSCM), have developed a Leadership Development Programme for Deputy Managers. The programme consists of both on-line and in person group sessions plus watching videos from the Aspiring Leaders Playlist and practical embedding of individual learning in the workplace.

The programme will be delivered by the IHSCM over a 6-week period during January and February 2025 and participants must commit to attending every session, as well as watching videos and recording practical examples of embedding their learning in the workplace.

A maximum of 30 places are available, on a first come first served basis, and are limited to one person per CQC registered location.

Care providers are required to pay £125 per person in order to book a place however, upon production of a certificate awarded following successful completion of the programme, BCA will reimburse the full cost of the programme to the care provider.

The £125 fee will not be refunded if a booked place is not cancelled prior to the programme commencing or if the participant does not attend a session or fails to successfully complete the programme.

The criteria to book a place on the programme are as follows:

- The participant must be a member of the IHSCM (membership is free and to join [Click Here](#) and **use the code BDCA**).
- The care provider must be a BCA member (membership is free and to join [Click Here](#)).
- The care provider must pay the £125 fee prior to the programme commencing.

**The first session requires both Deputy Managers & their Registered Manager to attend.**

**Further details about the programme are shown below and if you are interested in booking a place or require any further information, please contact [admin@bradfordcareassociation.org](mailto:admin@bradfordcareassociation.org).**

Date & Time	Location	Session	Content
21st January 14:00 to 15:00	MS Teams Online	Registered Managers & Deputy Managers Induction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of programme content</li> <li>• Explanation of respective roles and responsibilities</li> <li>• Demonstration of learner portal to record CPD.</li> </ul>
28th January 14:00 to 15:00	MS Teams Online	Module 1 – Me, Myself and I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn the difference between leaders and managers</li> <li>• Understand different leadership styles</li> <li>• Discuss values-based leadership and its impact</li> <li>• Understand psychometrics using The Zookeeper</li> <li>• Explore your purpose &amp; role</li> <li>• Understand the impact of your own leadership style on others – what does it feel like to be led by you</li> <li>• Understand how to engage your team</li> </ul>
4th February 10:00 to 16:00	Room G7+G8 Scorex House 1 Commercial St Bradford BD1 4AS	Module 2 – High Performing Teams  Module 3 – Leadership Excellence  Module 4 – Change Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the language of high-performance leadership</li> <li>• Discuss culture vs strategy</li> <li>• Learn the importance of trust and how to build a trusted team</li> <li>• Understand goal setting &amp; fulfilment</li> <li>• Explore methodologies to create service improvement</li> <li>• Explore tools to create accountability within teams</li> <li>• Understand what you are aiming for as a leader</li> <li>• Understand what makes a good leader</li> <li>• Explore different team leadership dynamics</li> <li>• Learn skills to assess who you have in your team</li> <li>• Explore what good looks like in terms of communication which includes perspectives, building rapport, as well as barriers to communication.</li> <li>• Develop &amp; practice coaching skills</li> <li>• Develop &amp; practice effective feedback skills</li> <li>• Understand how to manage conflict positively</li> <li>• Learn the challenges around managing change</li> <li>• Understand your own barriers around change</li> <li>• Explore how to lead organisational change</li> <li>• Learn change management processes and techniques</li> <li>• Understand how to boost innovation processes and pathways</li> <li>• Learn how to plan and manage change</li> </ul>
5th February to 3rd March	Workplace	Embed learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watching videos from the Aspiring Leaders Playlist</li> <li>• Embed learning in the workplace</li> <li>• Record evidence and practical examples on learner record</li> </ul>
4th March 14:00 to 15:00	MS Teams Online	Review & Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programme review, feedback and evaluation</li> <li>• Details of additional learning and development available both locally &amp; nationally from IHSCM, Skills for Care, etc . . .</li> </ul>