

Thursday 18th September 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.

- Workplace identity and belonging in Bradford district and craven 23rd September
 - BCA Quality Workshop Enhancing health in care settings 24th September
- THE STATE OF THE ADULT SOCIAL CARE SECTOR AND WORKFORCE IN ENGLAND 2025:
 REGIONAL LAUNCH EVENT 23rd October
 - Understanding and responding to self neglect conference 21st November
 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 FEE SURVEY

Please can you take a moment to complete the survey for each of your individual CQC registered locations.

The survey will help inform a briefing paper from **Bradford Care Association** to **Bradford Metropolitan District Council (BMDC)** ahead of their **2026/27 budget setting**.

All responses will be anonymised and used solely for briefing BMDC and the ICB.

Deadline: Thursday 25th September at 1pm

Any issues? Contact: admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

Survey Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KSMX5VH

A Thank you – your input is vital to shaping the local authority's budget decisions.

BRADFORD PREVENTING EVICTION PROTOCOL IS LAUNCHED WITH THE AIM OF REDUCING EVICTIONS IN THE BRADFORD DISTRICT

All partners are asked to read the attached document and pledge to working in line with the Protocol

Housing Organisations who sign up to the Pledge will be asked to submit a short impact report form to update the Housing People Group who will track the impact of the protocol each quarter.

Non-housing organisations are still asked to Pledge to work in line with the principles and wherever possible support housing organisations to sustain accommodation and prevent evictions.

Pledges can be sent to <u>adam.clark@bradford.gov.uk</u> or <u>ian.bird@bradford.gov.uk</u>

For more information click HERE

SHIPLEY'S NEW MARKET SQUARE PAVES THE WAY FOR FUTURE

Ambitious work which has completely transformed Shipley's market square has been completed in good time to host a major City of Culture event later this month.

Taking place on Friday, 26 and Saturday, 27 September, the 'Bloom' event will involve a "large-scale circus performance celebrating the spirit of Bradford and its people."

The redevelopment of the market square, which involved replacing the fixed market stalls that had been in place for decades, has created a much bigger, more flexible space able to accommodate such community events.

Find out more

HOUSING SERVICES JOIN ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

We're pleased to announce from this month Housing Services have joined our directorate, forming a new, integrated department: Adult Social Care, Health and Housing.

This change reflects our commitment to placing housing at the heart of our work to improve lives and build stronger, healthier communities. To mark this transition, the role of our Strategic Director, Iain Macbeath has been retitled to Strategic Director for Adult Social Care, Health and Housing.

By bringing together Adult Social Care, Health and Housing we aim to: Deliver more joined-up services that help residents live independently and well

Strengthen prevention and early support Ensure housing is central to creating safe, healthy, and resilient communities

We look forward to working together to realise this vision and improve outcomes for people across Bradford District.

YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT PROJECT

The Yorkshire and Humber International Recruitment Project has a core focus on matching displaced migrant workers with new sustainable sponsored work in the care sector.

The UK Government have invested £16 million nationally 2024-2025 to support displaced international care workers find new sponsored employment, showing their recognition of the vital skills and experience these workers bring to our sector.

Changes to Sponsorship in the Care Sector from 22nd July 2025.

To read the full article, please click **HERE** for more information.

TALK MONEY WEEK WEBINAR 05.11.25 – PROTECTING COMMUNITIES FROM FINANCIAL HARM (TALK MONEY WEEK 2025)

This Bonfire Night, join us for a national Talk Money Week special focused on protecting communities from financial harm featuring experts tackling today's financial threats.

From fraud and loan sharks to gambling harm and financial resilience, this session will help you keep our communities informed, protected and empowered.

Talk Money Week 2025: Protecting Communities from Financial Harm

Date: Wednesday, 5th November 2025

Time: 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

PLocation: Online – Teams link shared just before event

QHosted by: Bradford District Credit Union

Winner for Yorkshire Financial Awards – Lender of the Year

Topics & Speakers:

- Economic Crime Prevention West Yorkshire Police
- 2. Stop Loan Sharks Illegal Money Lending Team England
- 3. Gambling Related Harm NECCA and Bradford Council
 - 4. Finance and Community Development BDCU
- 5. York University Credit Union Research Project York University

Why Attend?

- Learn how to protect your community from financial harm
 - Hear from national and local experts
 - Connect with support services and initiatives
 - Be part of Talk Money Week 2025
 - Free and open to all
- Register here: Talk Money Week 2025: Protecting Communities from Financial Harm Tickets, Wed 5 Nov 2025 at 13:00 | Eventbrite

BRADFORD COUNCIL FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Voluntary sector organisations can now apply for grants to support the running of community buildings.

Community buildings across the district are vital for local people, as they deliver a range of services and activities, and offer meeting spaces for community groups. Such buildings can be expensive to run, and the Community Building Grants Scheme, which has been successfully operating for a number of years, aims to boost their funding. The money can be used in a number of ways including insurance, building maintenance and towards general running costs.

There is £800,000 available through the scheme for 2025/6 and 2026/7 (subject to funds being available in year two) and it is being funded by Bradford Council and the Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF).

For further information or to discuss whether this grant is appropriate, organisations can contact ward officers on:

Bradford East 01274 431066 Bradford South 01274 431155 Bradford West 01274 432597 Shipley 01274 437146 Keighley 01535 618008

https://orlo.uk/U5qsm

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To apply, please click **HERE**.

HOUSING SUPPORT AND THE DIGITAL SWITCHOVER

Our next FREE UKTelehealthcare virtual event will take place on Tuesday 23rd September 10:00 -12:00

By January 2027 analogue telephone services will be switched off as the UK's telecoms infrastructure is upgraded to digital connectivity. The switch from analogue to digital phone lines can disrupt the technologies used to safeguard and communicate with people in supported housing, as well as those living independently in dispersed housing.

Following on from their July webinar which featured Analogue to Digital Bridge solutions, UKTelehealthcare are offering the opportunity to consider alternative approaches to meet the challenges and opportunities provided by the transition to digital and the January 2027 deadline.

This webinar is designed to explore and address those challenges. It will feature presentations from two housing services providers that have already navigated aspects of the transition – looking at what was important to them, what they have learnt, and what others may learn from their experiences.

This will be followed by presentations from four companies offering a range of approaches to meet the challenges and deliver the benefits of digital technologies.

The session will conclude with a live panel discussion, offering delegates the opportunity to engage in a Q&A.

Please feel free to forward this invitation on to others who you feel may be interested in this important topic.

BCA Quality Workshop Quality in Practice: Enhancing Health in Care Settings Whole Sector Event

Wed, 24th September | 09:30 - 16:00

WHOLE SECTOR QUALITY WORKSHOP

This face to face Quality Workshop will take place at Mercure Bradford Bankfield Hotel on Wednesday, 24th September 2025 from 9:30am - 4pm (Agenda will commence at 10am)

<u>Agenda includes:</u>

- CQC will be presenting on the day!
- Falls
- End of Life (EOL) care
- Continence and skin integrity
- Medication
- Tissue viability and nutrition
- Mental health
- Enhanced health in care homes
- Integrated neighbourhood working
- Delegated health tasks





For more information please email admin@bradfordcareassociation.org























Great Horton Community

Wellbeing Hub

No matter what challenges you are facing, our dedicated team is here to help. We also have access to additional support from specialist services including:

Wellbeing Hub

Tuesdays between 10-2pm

- Benefits & Welfare Advice
- Drugs & Alcohol Support
- Meet Social Prescribers

Library Opening hours

- Monday 1-3pm
- Thursday 10-12pm
- Saturday 11-1pm

Weekly Services at the Hub:

- Craft Group: Monday 1-3pm
- Yoga: Wednesday evenings
- Youth Club: Monday & Thursday evenings

Other Support

- Skills House: employment
- Housing advice
- Neighbourhood Wardens
- Family Hub: referrals

Call: 07599107633

For more information email rlp@bd7.church













Webinar

Tuesday 23 September 2025 from 13.00 - 13.45

Talking about dying with people with learning disabilities: The Victoria & Stuart Project's FREE Print & Deliver Service launch

Chairs: Richard Keagan-Bull & Prof Irene Tuffrey-Wijne

Kingston University London

PARTNERED WITH



The team from Kingston University London (including several researchers with learning disabilities) developed a toolkit of resources for end-of-life care planning with people with learning disabilities. Together with Marie Curie UK, we are launching a new free Print & Deliver service, where you can get printed copies of The Victoria & Stuart Project toolkit sent to your door.

Let's Talk About Funerals

In this webinar, we will:



Show you the resources

- Hear from people who have used them in practice
- Tell you how you can order your own free copies







Want to know more about ...

rough sleeper access to healthcare

Join this free webinar to hear new research findings about why the health of rough sleepers is so much worse than the general population and how this situation could be improved.

Thursday 2 October, 10 to 11.30am

Visit http://bit.ly/wtkma for details





REGULARLY HELPING SOMEONE? THAT MAKES YOU A CARER

Caring often starts gradually — when a loved one ages, develops a long-term illness, or a child has additional needs.

Many people don't see themselves as carers, thinking they're "just helping out." But if you provide regular support and your loved one couldn't manage without you, YOU ARE A CARER.

Caring can include:

- : Shopping, cooking, cleaning, errands
- Attending appointments, managing medication
- Nashing, dressing, mobility support
- Supporting disability or long-term illness
- Supporting mental health, learning needs, or addiction
- Managing bills, paperwork, or phone calls

At Sedbergh Youth & Community Centre, we're here for you. Join our Carers' Community Hub on Monday 20th October from 12.30 - 2.30 P.M. and on the 3rd Monday of the month thereafter to connect with others, get advice and support, and enjoy well-being activities shaped by you. Admission: £2.00 including refreshments & snacks.

Sedbergh Youth & Community Centre Huddersfield Road, Bradford, BD6 1DJ

Telephone: 01274 679843

Registered Charity Number: 523510







Create an ASC-WDS account - access funding and help the sector

The Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS) is a free online data collection service that covers the adult social care workforce in England. Data from ASC-WDS is used by key decision makers and the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) when planning, funding and monitoring the sector.



Creating an account is simple. Join the 21,000 other care providers already using ASC-WDS and together:

- Help the sector Shape DHSC policies and provide valuable data that supports leaders advocating for the sector.
- Benchmark Use ASC-WDS to help inform your decisions. Compare your workplace to similar workplaces in your local area on pay and staff retention.
- Store and access key workforce information Create individual staff records that store
 personal details and other information and access them all in one place.
- Manage training and qualifications Record all your staff's training and qualifications and store certificates. Downloadable training reports can be used as evidence for CQC, with your local authority or in staff one-to-ones.
- Access to funding for training Such as the Learning and Development Support Scheme (LDSS).
- ASC-WDS Benefits Bundle All users of the service have access to the ASC-WDS Benefits Bundle which gives access to special offers and discounts across Skills for Care products.

SCAN ME

Find out more about ASC-WDS and create an account on the Skills for Care website or scan the QR code





Grants of £2500-£4500 available NOW to local groups and organisations

(*Total Grant Pot is £14,000)

Grant applicants must be based, or operate, in the communities served by Saltaire & Windhill Medical Partnership and/or Idle Medical Centre



For an application pack - or more information - contact:



Sean Johnson 07905-048504 seankjohnson@outlook.com



CLOSING DATE: FRI 24th OCTOBER 5pm



Our priority population groups are:

- People living on their own aged 60+ with one or more long term health conditions
- Individuals (children, young people and adults) who are Neurodiverse
- Carers
- Care leavers (aged 16 +)
- Physically disabled adults





Portraits of Our Time

"Celebrating lives through photography and storytelling"

Be part of a visual journey that honours dignity, diversity, and connection.
Following the success of Elderthorpe Care Home's stunning photo project with local talent Louise Rayner, the BCA Creative Health Project is now shining a spotlight on the vibrant lives of people of all ages accessing care across the Bradford District.

What's involved?

People will be photographed holding a cherished item that reflects a meaningful moment, passion or connection for them.

Real stories. Beautiful portraits. A powerful tribute to the rich tapestry of experiences in our community.

Portraits will be on display at the Bradford Industrial Museum between January – March 2026 for family and friends to see.

Get involved

To express an interest or for more information, contact

<u>Ami@bradfordcareassociation.org</u> Places expected to be booked up fast!

Doreen's Story & Photo

"When we talked to Mum about the Photography project and asked her to think of something that has been special in her life, she didn't need to think, straight away she said that the best thing that has happened to her was meeting dad.

Doreen wore a long white dress which she bought from a shop in Bradford, the veil was "something borrowed" and she wore white shoes. Her bouquet of red carnations was made by a family friend from the church"

Deadline for registering is Friday 3rd October 2025!











HOPE (HOUSEBOUND OBESITY PATHWAYS & ENGAGEMENT) STUDY

Do you work with housebound people, some of whom may be living with obesity? If so, we would love to hear your views on weight management services for this underserved group for our HOPE (Housebound Obesity Pathways & Engagement) study.

The survey is anonymous, open to all health and social care staff (including agency colleagues working in health and social care) & takes about 15-20 mins to do via this link HOPE survey for wider health and care professionals. It will be open until at least the end of October.

Following the survey, there is the opportunity to express interest in a 30 min in-depth online interview, for more detailed discussion, with a £20 Love2shop as a thank you for those undertaking the interview.

Any problems with the link or if a word.doc is preferred, please contact hope-study@glasgow.ac.uk

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2025



Thursday 13th November 2025



9:30am - 4pm



Mercure Bradford Bankfield Hotel, BD16 1TU



Lunch and Refreshements included



Agenda Includes:

- Update from CQC
- Hempsons CQC Update
- Local and Regional Update
- National Update
- Digital Update
- BCA Update
- Bradford 2025 Quiz

BOOK

Click here to book your free place

admin@bradfordcareassociation.org



Calling All Care Providers!

Get Involved with Integrated Neighbourhood Teams

Are you a care provider in:

- Care Homes
- Supported Living
- Extra Care
- Domiciliary Care

We need YOUR voice at the table!

Bradford Care Association is working with Integrated Neighbourhood Health and Social Care Teams across our localities, and we're looking for provider representatives to ensure your care services are heard and included.

What's Involved?

- Representation from a domiciliary care provider (locality framework provider in the area)
- Representation from accommodation based care settings (care home, supported living, or extra care in the area)

Commitment:

One half-day per month to attend the meeting and follow up actions and share information following the meeting
Build and develop local partnerships

What You'll Gain:

Stronger relationships with health & social care colleagues A voice in shaping local integration Small pot of funding available to backfill your hours

Areas We're Seeking Representation From:

- Bradford South
- Bradford East
- Bradford West
- Keighley
- Shipley
- Craven



Interested? Email: admin@bradfordcareassociation.co.uk
Be the voice of care providers in your area your input matters!





