

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.

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

## KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

- Go4Growth Procurement Act 2003 – September 24<sup>th</sup>
- Go4Growth Bid Skills Workshop (1/2 day) – October 8<sup>th</sup>
- Yorkshire and Humber Trafficking and Exploitation Conference – October 22<sup>nd</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.

## **Adult social care winter letter 2024 to 2025**

The Adult Social Care Winter Letter has been published this week. It can be accessed [here](#).



**Bradford District Care**  
NHS Foundation Trust



## **It's Breast Screening awareness month in October**



Julie from Pennine Breast Screening unit is visiting Waddiloves, 44 Queens Rd, Bradford BD8 7BT

### **Wednesday 30 October between 10am – 2 pm**

If you are a woman with learning disabilities, support women with learning disabilities or just want to find out more about breast health, what happens when you go for screening or talk about reasonable adjustments please drop in & say hello.

This session is NOT doing screening but giving information about breast health.



**Bradford Teaching Hospitals**  
NHS Foundation Trust

## FREE BUSINESS BROADBAND FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE ORGANISATIONS IN BRADFORD

As part of Virgin Media O2 Business's social value offer to Bradford Council, the Council is seeking 19 local VCSE organisations who can support digital inclusion and are interested in receiving free-of-charge Virgin Media Business broadband for 5 years from installation. The product is Voom Gig1 Fibre Business Broadband, providing up to 1000Mbps download speed and up to 100Mbps upload speed. The service comes with a Hitron router that will connect to your devices whilst providing the option for Guest Wi-Fi.

Please note: If you are an existing Virgin Media Business customer receiving business broadband services, you may still apply for this offer. However, should your application be successful, you must wait until your current contract ends before the new service is installed. This is because you will be set up with a new router and contract as part of this social value offer.

Applications are open for two weeks, closing on 29th September 2024.

### Eligibility Criteria

To be considered for this offer, all participating organisations must be:

- Able to receive Virgin Media services at their premise. Before completing this form, please check if Virgin Media broadband services are available in your area by typing your postcode into this checker ><https://www.virginmedia.com/broadband/postcode-checker>. If you receive the message 'Keep me posted - it looks like we're currently unavailable at your postcode' then you are not currently eligible for this social value offer.
- A registered charity with a charity number or a Community Interest Company (CIC). If you operate as a CIC, by law, your memorandum and articles of association must include a not-for-profit 'asset lock' clause. All eligible applications will be reviewed by a Bradford Community Partnership selection panel, chaired by the council's District Digital Inclusion Programme Manager, and will be assessed on the following criteria.

- A clear plan for how your organisation intends to use internet connectivity to support individuals with access to the internet, devices and skills to engage in the digital world.
- Agreement to registering with the Good Things Foundation to access free sim cards, devices, and grant opportunities. Evidence of how your organisation will use this to benefit individuals in your communities to be digitally included.
- Agreement to participate in the Digital Friends network, an initiative to upskill and train your staff/ volunteers in the areas of digital inclusion. Outline how this will enhance your organisation's ability to support individuals in your community to be digitally included.

Panel decision will be communicated week commencing 7th October 2024.

Please follow this link to complete the application form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=NKgyNvN-DkOnoY-FVAiCJOiMbGLnOJpOm8EDjDKu-x1UNEpZUjZLRkdDWkxKTFNJOE1WM0M4M0Y0Ni4u>

### **IMMEDICARE TRAINING**

There are 14 sessions being run in October on a variety of important topics. Head to <https://involve.moodlecloud.com/>. You must create an account, and once you have an account you can register for the courses you would like to attend. For any queries relating to training, please contact [acunningham@immedicare.co.uk](mailto:acunningham@immedicare.co.uk)

### **DOMESTIC ABUSE AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE TRAINING CALENDAR 2024**

You can view the calendar [here](#).

## **GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Foyle foundation**

**Up to £10,000 | Closes 31 January 2025**

Grants towards core costs (including supporting salaries), projects, essential equipment or building projects are available to local charities with a turnover of less than £150,000. Applicants must show how any grant will make a significant difference to their current work and can be spent by the end of 2025. Organisations must also be able to demonstrate ongoing financial viability over the next 12 months.

Find out more and apply [here](#).

### **The Stobart Group: Stobart Sustainability Fund**

#### **Rolling**

Organisations running community-led environmental and sustainability projects in need of funding are invited to specify the level of funding they require in their application. Projects need to aim to tackle climate change, reduce carbon emissions, or protect and enhance the environment.

Find out more and apply [here](#).

### **The Hargreaves Foundation**

#### **Rolling**

The Foundation aims to help children and young people who are living with a mental health condition, disability or growing up in poverty to fulfil their potential and improve their wellbeing, self-esteem, and independence through educational and sporting activities. This could include initiatives that improve academic engagement and attainment, develop skills to aid future employment, improve life skills, and ensure sport is accessible. Funding is available for clearly defined projects, initiatives or the purchase of specific items.

Find out more and apply [here](#).

# END OF LIFE QUALITY WORKSHOP WHOLE SECTOR

Tuesday 24th September | 13:00 – 17:00

## WHOLE SECTOR QUALITY WORKSHOP

This face to face End of Life Quality Workshop will take place in the in the Ballroom at Mercure Bradford Bankfield Hotel on Tuesday 24th September from 1 – 5pm.

### Agenda Includes:

- Recognising last years of life
- Advanced Care Planning
- RESPECT
- Resources and support



**BOOK NOW**  
[Click here to book your free place](#)



For more information please email [admin@bradfordcareassociation.org](mailto:admin@bradfordcareassociation.org)



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH...



## CHANGE OF VENUE FOR THE END OF LIFE QUALITY WORKSHOP

This face-to-face End of Life Quality Workshop will now take place in the in the Ballroom at Mercure Bradford Bankfield Hotel on Tuesday 24th September from 1 – 5pm.

The agenda will commence at 1pm, so please do arrive in good time to get your seat and grab a tea/coffee/biscuit from our refreshments table.

We look forward to seeing you all there 😊



# Save your Winter Fuel Payment, Claim Pension Credit NOW



**You  
your friends  
your neighbours  
your family  
could be eligible**

**Act NOW to help save your Winter Fuel Payment and  
afford to stay warm this winter**

**Call DWP: 0800 99 1234**

**Visit <https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit>**

**Need more support? Contact Age UK Bradford District  
01274 391190 | [ageukbd.org.uk](http://ageukbd.org.uk) | [info@ageukbd.org.uk](mailto:info@ageukbd.org.uk)**

**Donate TODAY**



**We need your help to deliver more support to vulnerable  
older people in Bradford, Keighley and Shipley.**

# Strengthen your Social Care Organisation with Funded Cybersecurity and Data Protection Support!

The NHS and NEBRC are working together to offer funded cyber support to social care organisations in the North East, Yorkshire and the Humber as part of an anonymised research project.

## SUPPORT OFFERED INCLUDES:

**Security Policy Review**



**Internal/External Vulnerability Assessment**



**Security Awareness Training**



**REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW AT  
[ENQUIRIES@NEBRCENTRE.CO.UK](mailto:ENQUIRIES@NEBRCENTRE.CO.UK)**

**LIMITED PLACES ON A FIRST COME FIRST  
SERVED BASIS!**



THE  
**BUSINESS  
RESILIENCE  
CENTRE**  
FOR THE NORTH EAST  
YORKSHIRE  
THE HUMBER



## Employment Bradford

### There's a place for us: How we support people with learning disabilities into work

Surveys have found that more than 40% of people with a learning disability would like a job, yet only about 7% actually have one.

That's because getting into the job market can be difficult. For anyone with a disability there are additional barriers. For example: -

- Employers may not be confident in taking on what they may perceive as being additional difficulties
- They may simply be unaware that there is an untapped pool of talent amongst people with learning disabilities
- People with learning disabilities often lack the confidence or the know-how to apply for a job or attend an interview
- Workplaces can be challenging places if you have never been in one before and just staying in a job may need on-the-job support and mentoring

Here, we have tools, techniques and know-how to enable us to support people and employers to overcome these obstacles. Having a job can make a huge difference to a person's life, and we've supported hundreds of people to get into and stay in work.

We work with individuals to identify their skills and strengths and then match these with a prospective employer. We have established relationships with a number of employers and local colleges, and sometimes the journey into work can begin with training or volunteering.

### The things we do

When people are referred to us, we can provide: -

- Assessment to identify individual needs
- Information, advice and vocational guidance
- Work preparation coaching
- Assistance with CV writing and application forms
- Job Search
- Interview techniques and coaching
- On the job training
- Ongoing support and mentoring
- Volunteering opportunities
- Services offered to the Employer
- Access to reliable and motivated employees
- Assistance in recruitment and retention of staff
- Guidance on promoting equal opportunities within the work place

### Get in touch or refer to us

We accept referrals from Adult Social Care for residents of Bradford who are furthest way from the job market. They should be aged between 18-65 with a learning disability, a diagnosed mental health condition and or physical or sensory impairment. We also support people with autistic spectrum disorders, Asperger's syndrome, attention deficit disorder and or severe dyslexia.

For more information or to make a referral you can contact us at: -

**[empbrad@possabilities.org.uk](mailto:empbrad@possabilities.org.uk)**  
or call **01274 612227**





# Exciting Job Opportunity

## Working for MHA Communities Bradford. Community Fundraiser

**Full Time Role 37 Hours Per Week £31,495.00**  
To Apply or for more information visit [www.mha.org.uk](http://www.mha.org.uk) careers

For more than 80 years, families have been choosing MHA to support the needs and aspirations of their loved ones in later life. People have been forging friendships through our community programmes; fundraising to drive our charitable goals; and spreading the warmth, comfort and spirituality that you'll find across every MHA home, community and development. All our work is always for one reason, which will always stay the same. Helping older people to live later life well. Could you be the person to join MHA as our Community Fundraiser for Bradford as we continue to enable people to thrive in later life?

### About the Role

This is an exciting opportunity to make a difference by playing a vital role in our work across Bradford. Reporting into the local team and supported by the national fundraising team, this role will be responsible for engaging volunteers both as individuals and groups across the area to raise funds for MHA. You will work closely with all MHA services, building relationships and inspiring and empowering local fundraising to enable those who choose to use our services to thrive. This will include supporting those who wish to fundraise In Memory and utilising MHA's fundraising products.

A portion of your time will also be spent working in collaboration with community fundraisers across the country on fundraising initiatives and guides which will benefit both your area and community fundraising nationally.

The role will provide an effective and efficient service supporting the organisation and our homes and schemes to meet our vision, values and strategic objectives.

For more information on the role please see the attached Job Description.

### About You

Are you a passionate and skilled community fundraiser keen to play a key role in building a local network of community fundraising volunteers? Do you have a passion for working with supporters, building meaningful relationships and inspiring supporters whilst ensuring your work aligns with the results we need? If so we would love to hear from you.

Working well as a team player you will work closely with both operational colleagues in your area and the wider Fundraising Team, ensuring a focus on getting the right result for the organisation and building lasting and substantial relationships with funders.

You will be an effective communicator developing trusting relationships, taking everyone with you on the journey.

In return we offer a committed and supportive team and a great staff membership scheme which includes training, pension, life assurance, access to high street vouchers and lots more.

We will interview on a rolling basis and reserve the right to close the recruitment period early if we are successful in recruiting to this role.

### About us

Methodist Homes – MHA is the largest charity care provider in the U.K. We have 80 years' experience of delivering care and support to over 18,500 older people. We understand what it takes to help people live later life well through our Care homes, Retirement schemes and MHA Communities.

At MHA we place great importance on nurturing the mind, body and spirit of those we care for, their families, along with commitment and dedication from our 7,000 employees and 4,000 volunteers regardless of faith, background or belief.

As the largest charity care provider in the UK, we offer some of the highest quality care, accommodation and support services for older people throughout Britain. Our mission is to inspire the best care and wellbeing at every stage of later life.

### Why join MHA?

We have a supportive 'family' like culture, the people at MHA are genuinely warm, friendly and a pleasure to work with.

- High colleague employee engagement scores.
- Highly supportive and compassionate leadership team.
- Colleagues have access to Chaplaincy and Pastoral support.
- Employee Assistance Programme.
- Independent free counselling and legal advice
- Favourable pension scheme
- Hardship/welfare fund
- Competitive pay and benefits. inc a discount scheme
- A range of flexible benefits including an option to buy or sell additional annual leave
- Genuine career progression and development.