

Thursday 17th September 2026



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 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.*

COST OF CARE EXERCISE **MESSAGE FOR PROVIDERS**

You will have been contacted by Grant Thornton regarding the Cost of Care Exercise for Adult Social Care. **The deadline for submission is tomorrow Friday 18 September.**

We are keen to hear from as many providers as possible.

Please take the time to complete and submit the spreadsheet by the 18 September deadline. Your engagement is essential to ensuring that future commissioning, fee setting and contract design decisions are based on accurate, real-world evidence. Your participation will help ensure the exercise is representative, transparent, and credible, supporting fair and sustainable arrangements for care and support in Bradford.

If you have any queries or require support at any stage, please email the Grant Thornton project mailbox via this email (**Bradford.Cost.of.Care@uk.gt.com**). This is also where you should submit your response.

There are no further planned sessions at Grant Thornton at the moment

Please note: Providers can send queries or request 1:1 calls by emailing **bradford.cost.of.care@uk.gt.com**.

Thank you for your continued support.

ADULT SOCIAL CARE WILL BE MOVING FROM SYSTMONE TO LIQUID LOGIC IN MARCH 2027

This change will:

- Standardise case management processes across Adult Social Care.
 - Improve efficiency, access to information, and reporting.
 - Support best practice and compliance.

Some partner organisations currently using SystmOne may require access to Liquid Logic to continue joint working with ASC. If this applies to you or you would like further information, please contact the Adult Social Care Liquidlogic programme team on the following email address:

ascliquidlogicprogrammeteam@bradford.gov.uk

EVENT: RESPIRATORY INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN ADULT SOCIAL CARE

As winter approaches, this free online event offers practical support for reviewing your plans and making sure your infection prevention and control measures are up-to-date.

Hear from experts at the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) about what's happening this winter and the latest advice on reducing the impact of respiratory infections. You'll hear practical advice on outbreak management, vaccination and infection control, helping you sense-check your plans and keep people safe over the autumn and winter.

Date: 23 September 2026

 **[Explore the event](#)**

BRADFORD COUNCIL'S EXECUTIVE DECISIONS – 8 SEPTEMBER

Our Executive met on Tuesday and agreed a range of measures to support residents, boost innovation and improve services across the district. Below were some of the decisions taken

 Sugden End Household Waste Recycling Centre will reopen before Christmas.

 Bank holiday opening will be introduced at Household Waste Recycling Centres across the district.

 Additional funding was approved for essential home adaptations where costs exceed the current national Disabled Facilities Grant limit.

 A new £9 million Space Test North centre will be established in Keighley, supporting the growing space and advanced technologies sector.

 New technology will be used to help keep roads moving and communities connected during icy and snowy weather.

 Executive also received an update on the ongoing work to create hundreds of new specialist education places across the district.

[Find out more](#)

PENSION AND MONEY WEBINAR

Join BDCU credit union and the Money and Pensions Service for a free Pension and Money webinar on Tuesday 22 September, 1pm-2pm.

The free online webinar will provide practical information and guidance to help people better understand their pension options, trace lost or forgotten pension pots, plan for retirement and improve their overall financial wellbeing.

It is an online event that is free to attend. You just need to **[book a place](#)**.

[Find out more](#)

CARE SERVICES PODCAST

This is a Health and Care Services podcast known as Knitting HaCS. This is named to dip cap of respect to Bradford's historic wool industry. This is a pilot of 3 episodes aimed at celebrating community and things that benefit the residents of Bradford. These pilot episodes focus on the benefit of AI in Adult Social Care's front door, known as the Independence Advice Hub locally. There is an episode that explores an allotment and cook and eat group, run by and for blind, visually impaired, hearing impaired and Deaf residents. The final episode explores a group of residents who work to improve lived experiences for themselves and others, when they experience Social Work practice and the wider Adult Social Care interface, helping Bradford Council to learn and grow from their input and feedback.

Schedule

21st September - Growing Together

28th September - The People's Forum

https://open.spotify.com/episode/2hMuTZ95ggldGhYKqquiy5?si=nvc_QJuiT-u7v0vl5hPPCg&utm_source=native-share-menu



GOOD NEWS! BOOKING TRAINING ON BRADFORD CARES IS NOW EASIER

Bradford Care Association (BCA) has simplified the booking process for training courses available through the Bradford Cares Hub. There is no longer a need to log in to make a booking. Simply select the number of places required and click "**Get tickets**". For some courses, learners may instead be asked to complete a short online form or contact the BCA by email. Where this applies, full instructions are provided on the booking page.

Places are currently available on a range of upcoming courses, including:



Well Led (starting 22 September)



CQC Fundamental Standards (15 October)



Oliver McGowan Tier 1 and Tier 2 Training (various dates through to November)

To view the full programme and book training, visit:



<https://bradfordcares.co.uk/training-calendar/>

EVIDENCE STANDARDS FRAMEWORK FOR DIGITAL CARE TECHNOLOGIES – YOUR CHANCE TO PROVIDE INPUT

The Department of Health and Social Care and NHS England have commissioned NICE to adapt the evidence standards framework for digital health technologies to support **evidence-based decision making for digital care technologies used in adult social care.**

In adult social care, examples of digital care technologies (DCT) may include technology such as care planning systems, falls or monitoring sensors, digital medication systems, and workforce support tools.

As more care technologies emerge, a common set of standards can help decision-makers and developers understand:

- what evidence supports the use of a technology
 - whether it is safe and effective
- whether it represents good value for the care system.

To help understand the perspectives of people working in different roles across adult social care and ensure that the ESF is relevant and useful in practice NICE have asked us to circulate two surveys (see below). These should take only 5-10 minutes to complete and is an opportunity for your organisations to provide feedback and influence the framework.

- **[Survey for care provider leadership & frontline professionals](#)**
 - **[Survey for commissioners & purchasers of DCT](#)**

The deadline for both surveys is 18th September 2026.

More information on this work by NICE can be found here: [Our evidence standards framework for digital care technologies | NICE](#)

DISRUPTING EXPLOITATION - INNOVATIVE SAFEGUARDING STRATEGIES WEBINAR - THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2026



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Tackling Child Exploitation

**Disrupting Exploitation -
Innovative Safeguarding
Strategies: Webinar**

**ONLINE
TRAINING**

Thursday 24 September 2026
10:00–12:00pm

SPEAKER
Lisa Robinson
Interim Police and
Justice Lead at the NWG

SPEAKER
Elizabeth Spurling
Inspector Serious and
Organised Crime at
Bedfordshire Police

SPEAKER
Phil Ashford
National CSE Development
Coordinator – Hydrant
Programme/CSE Taskforce

SPEAKER
Lin Sands
Safeguarding
Consultant Trainer

Join us for a dynamic and thought-provoking session led by NWG's Interim Police and Justice Lead, Lisa Robinson.

We will explore effective approaches to disrupting exploitation. This interactive webinar encourages attendees to reflect on and share their own experiences, reinforcing the benefits of a collaborative environment to learn from one another.

Speakers announced:

Elizabeth Spurling - Inspector Serious and Organised Crime at Bedfordshire Police

Phil Ashford – National CSE Development Coordinator – Hydrant Programme/CSE Taskforce

Lin Sands - Safeguarding Consultant Trainer

Learning Outcomes - By the end of the session, attendees will be able to:

Understand and relate to the various forms of Exploitation.

Explore Disruption methods/tools to consider how civil and criminal legislation can be used to reduce, prevent, or delay opportunities for exploitation.

Recognise effective disruption strategies and working together in partnership.

Use and apply the NWG Disruption Toolkit to support robust decisions that disrupt perpetrators from targeting, grooming and/or exploiting vulnerable individuals.



SAVE THE DATE

2ND - 7TH NOVEMBER 2026

**CELEBRATE WITH US AND HELP SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT THE
COMMUNITY WORK WE'RE DOING AT MIND THE GAP.**

From **Monday 2 to Saturday 7 November**, we're opening the doors at MTG studios for you to experience our multi-artform installation, **Strength in Numbers**. We'll be taking group bookings during the week and the Installation will be open to the public on Saturday 7th of November.

Spread the word! Help us grow the Strength in Numbers community: share this email with a group or person you think might be interested in finding out more about our co-creation approach.

There is lots more information to come yet, and there will be a variety of fun, creative and interactive activities and events to book onto, so please keep an eye out by registering your interest using the following email address and also by visiting the link below for updates.

<https://www.mind-the-gap.org.uk/event/strength-in-numbers/1>

Email **community@mind-the-gap.org.uk** to register your interest to find out more about the programme of events.

Please feel free to get back to me if you have any questions or queries and I'd be happy to help.

Tissue Viability Training 2027

Nursing Home Wound Management Training

The following sessions are available for **qualified** nursing home staff, and can be booked by emailing CFT.training@bdct.nhs.uk

Date	Session	Times	Venue	Room
25/02/2027	NH Wound Management	12:00 – 15:30	New Mill	
24/05/2027	NH Wound Management	12:00 – 15:30	New Mill	
18/08/2027	NH Wound Management	12:00 – 15:30	New Mill	
23/11/2027	NH Wound Management	12:00 – 15:30	New Mill	

Please note that each session is limited to 2 staff per nursing home, this is to allow sufficient places for all homes to book places.

Thank you.



Bradford Cares *awards*

Ticket Bookings Now Open!!!

Join us for the inaugural Bradford Cares Excellence Awards and help celebrate the incredible people, teams and organisations making a difference across Bradford's health and social care system.

This is an evening for everyone connected to Bradford's health and social care community, including staff, providers, partners, families, friends and supporters.

 **Thursday 5 November 2026**

 **Cedar Court Hotel, Bradford**

 **6:00pm - Midnight**

 **Black Tie / Formal Attire**

Your ticket includes: Drinks reception including a complimentary drink on arrival, Three-course meal, Awards ceremony, Live entertainment and a DJ and disco

Individual tickets and tables of 10 are available.

We'd love you to join us for an evening of celebration, recognition and entertainment. Book your tickets today!

**BOOK
NOW**

To find out more and book **CLICK HERE** or visit - www.bradfordcares.co.uk/awards

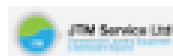
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BCA QUALITY WORKSHOP

THE **GOLDEN** THREAD

Better Care from
Assessment to Care Support Planning



Thurs, 8th Oct



9.00am – 1pm



**Mercure Hotel
BD16 1TU**

**BOOK
NOW**

[Click here to
register for free](#)

**or visit Bradford
Cares**

SAFE & WELL LED FORUM



1 st October 2026, 1–2 pm [Click here to join](#)

Safe and Well Led is Replacing the Safeguarding Forum

Safe and Well Led goes hand in hand and this new forum brings them together.

WHY ATTEND

- ✓ Gain up-to-date safeguarding insights to strengthen leadership decisions
- ✓ Develop and share best practice to support consistent, high-quality service delivery
- ✓ Deepen understanding of Safe and Well-Led principles and how they drive continuous improvement
- ✓ Learn from real challenges and lessons across the service to improve outcomes
- ✓ Connect with fellow managers to build a supportive network for ongoing problem-solving

WHO IS THIS AIMED AT:

-  Whole Sector (All Provider Types)
-  Registered Managers
-  Deputy Managers
-  Care Managers

SAFE & WELL LED FORUM

SPOTLIGHT ON MEDICINE

- ? What are we seeing?
- ? What are we learning?
- ? What does good practice look like?



Safeguarding

Medication incidents, concerns & learning



Contracts & Quality

What we're seeing across services



Lead Pharmacist - Digital Care Hub

Medication safety, digital practice & support



CQC

Key themes from inspection & assessment



Medication Guidance

A refresher on the guidance, tools & resources available

For a calendar invite, email: admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

The DASV team bring you a powerful learning event for International Men's Day 2026

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MEN'S DAY



WEST YORKSHIRE
SURVIVORS

This event will combine the latest research evidence, frontline practice insight, and a powerful lived experience exhibition to challenge the silence surrounding childhood sexual abuse and improve access to support - particularly for male survivors. We welcome all practitioners, and encourage male practitioners to join us.

The seminars will be led by Survivors West Yorkshire, showcasing Ben's Place, West Yorkshire's only large-scale specialist service for male survivors.

Dr Stacey Maher (University of Huddersfield) will present her latest research into male survivors.

Lee Cooper will speak about the event's key feature, Victorious Voices, a wraparound survivor-led photography exhibition, which brings together both male and female survivors to demonstrate the strength, solidarity, and allyship that exists across genders in the healing journey.

Event date: Friday 20th November 2026

Time: 10:00am - 3:00pm

Venue: Bronte Lecture Theatre, Bradford College, David Hockney Building, Great Horton Road, Bradford, BD7 1AY



Booking:

[Bfd Council Internal Link](#)

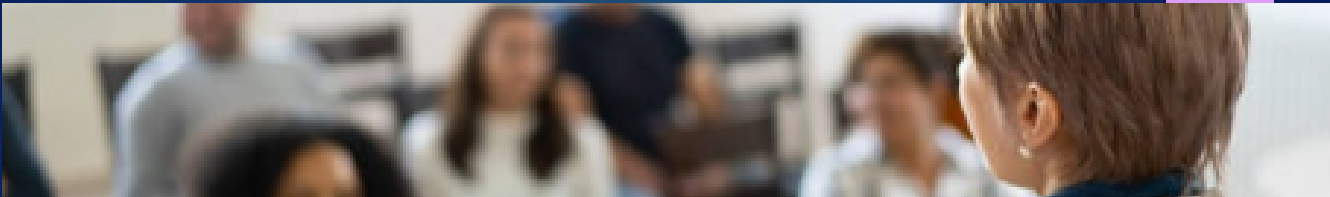
[Children's Trust Link](#)

[External Staff Link](#)

for any booking queries, please contact [**Evolve@bradford.gov.uk**](mailto:Evolve@bradford.gov.uk)

VICTORIOUS VOICES

Unfortunately, the children's trust link isn't available. Please email [**Evolve@bradford.gov.uk**](mailto:Evolve@bradford.gov.uk).



Leadership Development Training Well Led Programme

Following the success of last year's Leadership Development Programmes, Bradford Care Association (BCA) is pleased to once again support providers through access to the Skills for Care Well-Led Programme, delivered by Leeds Leadership Academy.

Leeds Leadership Academy is a Skills for Care quality-assured learning provider, recognised for delivering high-quality leadership development that meets the needs of the adult social care workforce and the people who rely on care and support services.

About the Programme

This programme consists of four full-day, face-to-face workshops designed specifically for leaders working in adult social care.

Developed in partnership with registered managers who understand the day-to-day realities and challenges of leading care services, the programme equips leaders with the skills, knowledge and confidence to deliver services that meet the expectations of a well-led organisation.

Why Attend?

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) expects leaders at all levels to be capable, compassionate, inclusive and credible, with the skills, knowledge, experience and integrity required to deliver safe, effective and person-centred care.

By attending, delegates will:

- Gain an understanding of what leaders in well-led organisations do to achieve high standards.
- Explore practical examples and approaches that can be applied within their own services.
- Strengthen their leadership skills to support the delivery of high-quality, person-centred care.
- Build confidence in meeting the expectations of the CQC Well-Led framework.

Costs: The programme costs £525 per person, which will be invoiced directly by Leeds Leadership Academy.

Funding Available

Yes. Adult social care employers in England may be able to claim the full cost of the programme through the [ASC Learning and Development Support Scheme \(LDSS\)](#), subject to eligibility criteria and successful completion of the course.

See next page for more details



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Well Led Programme

This programme consists of four interactive modules that help managers develop effective leadership skills in adult social care. It focuses on understanding what good leadership looks like, improving service quality, building confidence to lead in challenging environments, setting personal leadership goals, and learning through collaboration and networking with other professionals.

[Click here for more information about this training.](#)

Who Should Attend? This programme is suitable for:

- New and experienced Registered Managers
- Deputy Managers
- Service Managers
- Other managers working within adult social care services

Programme dates:

This course consists of four classroom sessions. Delegates **must attend all four sessions**. Individual sessions cannot be booked separately. Attendance by the same individual at all four workshops is essential to complete the course.

Module	Date & Time	Venue
Module 1	5 October 2026, 09:30-16:30	<u>Czajka Training Centre</u> 3-5 Moorhead Road Shipley, BD18 4JH United Kingdom
Module 2	19 October 2026, 09:30-16:30	
Module 3	4 November 2026, 09:30-16:30	
Module 4	26 November 2026, 09:30-16:30	

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[For more information & booking - CLICK HERE!](#)



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