



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 CQC Quality Workshop – 26th March – [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.

2026/27 FEE UPLIFT UPDATE

Last week we shared the proposed fee uplifts for 2026/27 at the BCA Forum. The percentage uplifts are summarised below. These proposed uplifts are subject to final budget approval by elected members at the Full Council meeting on 10th March 2026.

We will formally write to providers after this date to confirm the final uplifts for 2026/27.

Service	% Uplift 2026/27
Home Support	3.28
R&N care homes	3.58
1:1 support in care homes	1.28
Daytime Activities	2.87
Direct Payments	3.28
Extra Care	2.87
Supported Living	3.62
VCS Grants and Block Contracts	2.87

In addition to the uplift, we will be investing in the new Learning and Development Hub being developed by the BCA.

BCA CARE FEE 26/27 RESPONSE SURVEY

Bradford Care Association is inviting all **CQC-registered Adult Social Care providers in Bradford** to complete the **BCA Care Fee 26/27 Response Survey**.

This short survey will help inform BCA's response, on behalf of providers, to **Bradford Metropolitan District Council's (BMDC)** proposed fee uplifts for 2026/27.

Proposed % Uplifts for 2026/27:

- Home Support: 3.28%
- Residential & Nursing Homes: 3.58%
- 1:1 Support in Care Homes: 1.28%
 - Direct Payments: 3.28%
 - Extra Care: 2.87%
 - Supported Living: 3.62%

All responses are **completely anonymous**.

The survey takes **less than 5 minutes** to complete.

Deadline for final submissions:



Wednesday 11th March



11:00am

Survey - [BCA Care Fee 26/27 Response Survey – Fill in form](#)

Please find attached BCA's 26/27 Briefing Submissions to BMDC.

If you experience any issues accessing or completing the survey, please contact admin@bradfordcareassociation.org.

Thank you in advance for your time and valuable feedback.

ADULT SOCIAL CARE FEE UPLIFTS

[BCA Evidence Submission – ASC Fee Uplifts 2026-27](#)

[Adult Social Care Fee Uplifts 2026-27 Updated Briefing Notes Pt 2](#)

CQC QUALITY WORKSHOP

Just a quick reminder **the CQC Quality Workshop is coming up on Thursday 26 March 2026!** ⚠️🔔

🕒 **9:30am – 4pm**

📍 **Mercure Bradford Bankfield Hotel, BD16 1TU**

🍷🍽️ **Refreshments and lunch included!**

🎤 **Guest speakers:** CQC, Hempsons & Citation

📄 And the best part... it's completely **FREE** to book!

👉 **BOOK HERE: [Click Here](#)** (Spaces are going fast! ⌚)

⚠️🔔 **Important update:**

Due to high demand, we're now opening attendance to a **maximum of TWO people per CQC-registered location** - so make sure you grab your spots quickly! 🏃🏃🏃🏃

[We look forward to seeing you there](#) 😊

BRADFORD DISTRICT AND CRAVEN MIND'S 'TEA & TALK'

Bradford District and Craven Mind's 'Tea & Talk' sessions are running in cafes and community centres across the district. These friendly drop-in sessions run by our volunteers offer a relaxed space for people who are feeling lonely, socially isolated or needing some conversation and company. We are running some new Tea & Talk sessions in partnership with care homes, to allow us to reach some of the most isolated people in the community, including older adults and adults with health issues and/or support needs. We are interested in launching some new care home locations to expand this offer further. If you would like to host a BDC Mind Tea & Talk drop-in session in your care home setting, please email the service manager Laura O'Shea using the details below. We hope to hear from you soon!

Laura O'Shea, Community Companions Service Manager:

Laura.OShea@mindingbradford.org.uk

There is more information on our current offer available on our website:

[Tea 'n' Talk groups | Bradford District and Craven Mind](#)

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) INFORMATION LINKS

[AI Information](#)

[Use of AI Technology in Continuing Healthcare Assessments](#)

CARE HOME BROKERAGE – PLACEMENT QUERIES

As per previous discussions, we have created a document for you to access on the Connect to Support Provider Zone which will support you in identifying who to contact at Bradford Council when you have different types of queries regarding care home placements.

Please click on the below link to access:

[Care Home Brokerage | Bradford Connect to Support](#) – Please see section titled 'Who to contact for Placement Queries'.

COMMUNITY AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

Bradford's Health Determinants Research Collaboration (HDRC) has published its Community Areas of Research Interest. These are a set of research questions rooted in live-experience that have been co-produced by members of our local communities that address the issues that matter to them, and give researchers, academics, and council colleagues a steer on the evidence and data that needs collecting in order to address the wider determinants of health in the district. The C-ARIs have now been published on our website. Please take a look at them and do get in touch if you are interested in working with us to answer any of the research questions that have been posed.

[Find out more](#)

WELL TOGETHER MARCH SCHEDULE

- [Walking Groups](#)
- [Face to face and virtual groups](#)
- [Professional referral form](#)



**BRADFORD
SAFEGUARDING
ADULTS BOARD**

MULTI-AGENCY SAFEGUARDING TRAINING PROGRAMME APRIL 2026 – MARCH 2027

The courses run by the Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board (BSAB) are delivered to a multi-agency audience which means that professionals from different organisations and backgrounds join together for a shared learning experience with an emphasis on building relationships and working together to help them safeguarding and promote the welfare of adults and their carers.

Please follow the link below for details of all multi-agency training courses planned for the year 1st April 2026 to 31st March 2027 with dates and times.

[BSAB TRAINING CALENDAR 2026/27](#)



HOPELINE247

HOPELINE247 is a suicide prevention helpline for anybody aged 35 and under who is experiencing thoughts of suicide, or anybody concerned for a young person.

Call: 0800 068 4141

Text: 88247

Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org

Open 24 hours a day, every single day of the year.



PAPYRUS
PREVENTION OF YOUNG SUICIDE



OAC ILKLEY GATHERING



Tuesday 10 March



Ilkley Rugby Club, Stacks Field, Denton Rd, LS29 0AF



1pm - 3pm

Join us to help make Ilkley a happier, healthier place for people with a learning disability.



Discover local sports and fitness options



Share what you'd love to see



We have funding to help you create new sessions

Open to organisations, people with lived experience, activity providers, community groups, and anyone who cares.

Scan the QR code to sign up:

If you can't make Ilkley, more gatherings are happening in Bradford, Shipley and Keighley.

For further information: Alex.Craddock@mencap.org.uk.





HORTON
COMMUNITY FARM



Mindfulness Garden

For folk over 50 and carers of any age

Learn breathworks mindfulness,
be in nature, grow food, meditate
and connect with others in an inclusive space

2026

Free taster session

Wed 11th March, 1pm- 3pm

Free 8-Week Course

Starting Wed 18th March, 1pm-3:30pm

No session April 8th

Horton Community Farm
opposite 91 Cecil Ave, BD7 3BW

mindfulness@hcf.org.uk
or text 07401766610

hcf.org.uk





Bradford District Care
NHS Foundation Trust

Create with a cuppa

Come and explore your creativity with a
chat and a cuppa.

Open to all adults,
no experience needed.

Thursdays

10:00am-12:00pm

ShIPLEY Library,

2 Well Croft, Shipley BD18 3QH

Day and times may be subject to change.

For more information or to join, contact Well Together Service:

☎ 01274 259190 ✉ welltogether@bdct.nhs.uk

Or visit our Website to find out more about our service:
www.bdct.nhs.uk/services/well-together-service

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Help Shape the Future of Home Respiratory Care Training

An opportunity to take part in health research

Are you a patient, family carer or healthcare staff member involved in **respiratory care tasks** (such as tracheostomy care, oxygen therapy, ventilator support) **within the home**?

WHAT WOULD IT INVOLVE?

- Taking part in a voluntary **1-hour workshop** (online or in-person at Bradford Royal Infirmary, Wolfson Centre).
- Workshops will be held on 1st & 2nd April 2026
- Sharing your experiences and discuss with others how to develop better training for people who provide respiratory care in the home.
- Sessions will be audio-recorded, and you can choose how much you share.



You will receive a £27.50 for taking part in this study

If you would like to take part or find out more, please contact: Raabia Sattar at Raabia.Sattar@bthft.nhs.uk

COVID-19
**DAY OF
REFLECTION**
8 MARCH 2026

The COVID-19 pandemic put the spotlight firmly on social care; the sector as a whole, providers, the care workforce, together with families, friends and the community, all rose above and beyond the challenges presented to ensure vulnerable people in our communities were cared and supported at this time.

To find appropriate ways to remember those who lost their lives since the pandemic began, in September 2023 the UK Commission on Covid Commemoration published its [final report](#), recommending an annual UK-wide day of reflection.

This year, the [COVID-19 Day of Reflection](#) will take place on Sunday 8 March 2026.

The day will be an opportunity to come together to remember those who died, and to honour the tireless work and acts of kindness shown during this unprecedented time.

From reflective walks around a park or memorial space and holding a moment of silent reflection for others, to making a 'mini memorial' or signing an online book of remembrance, the Government website suggests ways in which you can get involved [here](#)

CPA activities to support the day

As the collective voice of the ten main national associations representing independent and voluntary adult social care providers in England, we are supporting this day by holding two webinars and sharing contributions from across the sector.

From resources and plans to mark the Day of Reflection, to creative projects and learnings for future years, these contributions demonstrate the impact of COVID-19 on providers, carers, family, friends, and the people drawing on care and support.

Resources to help plan your day are in the folder below.

[The Day Of Reflection - In Partnership With Marie Curie.pdf](#)

[Resources - COVID-19 Day of Reflection](#)