

Thursday 11th June 2026

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.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Bradford DRIVE & RESET - Working with those who cause harm within intimate/family relationships - **24th June 2026** - [Click Here](#)

- Face to Face Self-Neglect Professional Practice Session - [Login to Enable HERE](#) – 30th June.

Upcoming events can also 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.

PROVIDER PORTAL DOWNTIME

Please note that the Provider Portal will be unavailable from **10pm on Saturday 20th June until 10am on Monday 22nd June** whilst our system is upgraded.

If you have problems logging back into the Portal **after** 10am on Monday 22nd June please email Provider.Portal@bradford.gov.uk

Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

ELECTRONIC POE REFERRAL FORM IS LIVE

FAO PRIVATE HOMECARE PROVIDERS

Please be aware that the electronic Provision of Equipment (POE) referral form is live. Providers should not send the Word document form as an email attachment to the Occupational Therapy team.

DOES YOUR ORGANISATION WANT TO HELP YOUR COMMUNITY GET HEALTHIER AND HAPPIER?

Walking, wheeling and cycling are at the heart of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority's mission to deliver a better-connected West Yorkshire.

Safe and inclusive routes for short journeys, which also connect people to the public transport network for longer ones, are key to the Combined Authority's commitment to deliver the Weaver Network – a better transport system for everyone in West Yorkshire.

That's why they're funding local people and groups to deliver training, support and services that help people in their area to walk, wheel or cycle with confidence.

There are small grants for one-off projects, as well as bigger grants to become a long-term hub for walking, wheeling and cycling.

Help with your application is available.

[Find out more](#)

SEND YOUTH VOICE GROUP DRIVES CHANGE FOR INCLUSIVE TRAVEL ACROSS WEST YORKSHIRE

Significant changes to the English National Concessionary Travel Scheme for disabled bus pass holders in West Yorkshire took effect in Wakefield last week, with a planned roll-out to the rest of West Yorkshire, including Bradford district, during 2027.

Currently, disabled bus passes do not allow free travel before 9.30am on weekdays.

Bradford Council's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Youth Voice group, BradStarz, raised concerns about the impact of this restriction on disabled young people travelling to work, school, training and medical appointments.

To strengthen their case, the group met with young people from Bradford's School of Rock and Media (SORM), Coleman Training Development, and a further 97 young people with SEND across the Bradford district to hear their views and experiences.

Using this collective voice, the group wrote to Metro and met with representatives from the West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA), including Mayor Tracy Brabin. Following these and subsequent meetings, the local authority and WYCA agreed changes to the policy.

The new policy, now rolled out in Wakefield, will allow disabled bus pass holders to use their passes at any time of day. The plan is for this to extend to the rest of West Yorkshire, including Bradford district in 2027, as part of the region's new integrated public transport system, as the Weaver Network begins operations.

To apply for a Disabled Person's Bus Pass, visit: www.wymetro.com

TRAINING CALENDAR FOR THE DOMESTIC ABUSE AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE MODULES

All booking instructions are embedded within the document

An Audience With The Lotus Project

The DASV team invite you to listen in to this informative interview during Safeguarding Week

Purpose of the session:

This is an interview style information session focussing on the work of the Lotus Project (Bradford). The session is aimed at all practitioners working with anybody (18+) living in the Bradford Metropolitan District who is involved, or at risk of being involved in, sex work. Please join us online where you can choose to listen in and/or ask questions.

The Lotus Project is a specialist support service for anybody (18+) living in the Bradford Metropolitan District who is involved, or at risk of being involved in, sex work. Our team of highly skilled support staff provide a wide range of confidential community outreach interventions

**Joining
Instructions**

Date :- 24th June 2026

Time 12 – 1:00 pm Lunch and Learn

No booking required just – [Click here](#) to join MS Teams

WORKFORCE INTELLIGENCE UPDATE YOUR ASC-WDS ACCOUNT TO SECURE LDSS FUNDING

Skills for Care have published a reminder to update ASC-WDS in order to access funding. This is a great way to maximise system funding to support the running of your services. For Care Homes this is also embedded into the Contract quality requirements. Don't miss out!

Make sure your Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS) account is up to date so you can claim Learning and Development and Support Scheme (LDSS) funding for 2026/27. Simply log in to your ASC-WDS account and check the 'Does your data meet funding requirements?' section on the homepage. You'll then see if you're eligible and what data you need to update if you're not. When you see two green ticks, then you know your data is up to date.

[Sign in or create an ASC-WDS account](#)

Discover the benefits of an ASC-WDS account
Tuesday 16 June 2026 | 10:30 - 11:30 | Online

Don't miss this opportunity to find out about the benefits of adding your workplace data to the free Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set service. We'll demonstrate how the service works and help you to understand how the data it collects is vital for shaping the direction of the adult social care sector.

[Register now](#)

SAFEGUARDING THINGS



Places for the morning conference are limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis. To book a place for the morning conference see link below.

<https://bradfordsafeguardingpartnership.vc-enable.co.uk/Events/Available>

If you would like to book on any of the afternoon workshops, please see separate boxes below:

<p>Practical Session on Supporting Collaborative Responses to Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OCSEA) - Leeds University</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/sedxxv</p>	<p>From Concern to Action: Using the Online Harms Tool in Practice - Bradford University</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/d29bn1</p>
<p>Child Sexual Abuse: The Behavioural Characteristics of Online Perpetrators - Dr Graham Hill</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/l5mhx1</p>	<p>Fighting the war on Cyber Crime and Creating Cyber Heroes - West Yorkshire Police, Cyber team</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/jik568</p>
<p>Discover the Safer Schools Ecosystem - Safer Schools</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/cac424</p>	<p>Online Harms – Presence in the Counter Terrorism Policing PREVENT Cohort - Counter terrorism policing</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/snjl1bm</p>
<p>From Surveillance to Safety: Reclaiming Technology After Abuse - Katy Longhurst</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/u8bwz9</p>	<p>Lived Experiences of Online Harm – Learning from People with Learning Disabilities - Big Soup Theatre Company</p> <p>https://online1.snapsurveys.com/a4ybd9</p>

Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training Tier 1 (Part 2) Funded opportunities for Adult Social Care providers in Bradford



TIER 1 (PART 2)

This one-hour on-line course is provided by the Bradford Care Association and delivered by First Response Training. It provides a general awareness of the support autistic people or people with a learning disability may need. It includes real-life perspectives from experts with lived experience.

Important prior to booking on: It is essential to complete part-1, before moving onto part-2, otherwise your part-2 certificates would be void!!

Why this matters:

- Statutory training requirement for all staff who need an awareness of the support people with a learning disability and/or autism may need.
- Backed by the Oliver McGowan Code of Practice.
- Ensures workforce confidence, compliance, and improved care outcomes.

Key Benefits:

- Fully compliant with statutory requirements.
- Strengthens workforce skills and confidence.
- Financial support reduces training costs.

Costs:

- £25 per person – reclaimable via the ASC Learning & Development Support Scheme (LDSS), subject to meeting the funding conditions.

The next sessions will take place ONLINE on:

- 16/06/2026 (1 - 2pm)

[Click here for more info & booking on this session!](#)

- 16/07/2026 (1 - 2pm)

[Click here for more info & booking on this session!](#)



Important: places are limited to 5 people per establishment per course!
Further dates will be available soon.

UKSC JUDGMENT ABOUT DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY IN CARE HOMES AND SUPPORTED LIVING PLACEMENTS

- ▶ Sent on behalf of Ian Burgess Service Manager Mental Capacity Act & Legal Assurance (Adult Social Care)
- ▶ Dear colleagues,
- ▶ You may have heard in the news of the Supreme Court's judgment yesterday overruling the previous judgement in the Cheshire West case (2014) regarding deprivation of liberty. This will have implications for all of us – the people in care, service providers, social workers, the relatives of people in care etc. The Acid Test for deprivation of liberty no longer applies.
- ▶ The judgement includes that where a person who does not have the mental capacity to be in the care home or supported living placement (for example) but is able to express that they are happy with the arrangements, then that is taken to be valid consent and therefore there is no deprivation of liberty occurring. But lots of other factors must be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- ▶ We will support you in understanding what the new approach to deprivation of liberty will look like. There are lots of questions and in time we will provide training and written guidance for all staff, including what to do about existing standard authorisations and Court authorisations and referrals. However please be assured; a DoLS standard authorisation or a Court order authorising deprivation of liberty does not insist on a person being deprived of their liberty, it just enables it.
- ▶ There is of course lots more to go through, but I wanted to keep this brief and let you know we are on it and will be in touch soon.

SCAM MESSAGE WARNING

We have been made aware of a scam email which a number of providers in our area have received and inadvertently responded to.

The email purports to be from UKVI and includes a PDF attachment which attempts to collect the providers login details for the online UKVI Sponsor Management system. We have heard from more than one provider who has had their SMS login taken over and their available Certificates have been assigned to desperate workers in return for large payments.

The scam is exploiting the workers but also causes a huge headache for providers who then need to attempt to prove to UKVI that they did not accept the payments themselves and are unable to sponsor new staff or renew existing sponsorships until UKVI have completed their investigation and reset the login details.

We have reported the issue to UKVI but please be aware.

Sponsor Licence Update!

Dear Sponsor,

Find attached PDF regarding your sponsor licence update.

Please review the document at your earliest convenience. Timely action will help ensure your licence remains compliant.

Yours sincerely,

Home Office Compliance Unit



Bradford Cares

awards

Nominations Now Open!!

Recognising those who make care exceptional!

The Bradford Cares Excellence Awards celebrate the individuals and teams delivering outstanding care in CQC Registered Adult Social Care services across the Bradford District. These awards recognise compassion, leadership, innovation and commitment, and shine a light on those who make a real difference to people's lives every day.

Award Categories:

- **Care Worker of the Year** – Care Home
- **Care Worker of the Year** – Community-Based Support
- **Frontline Leader of the Year** – Care Home
- **Frontline Leader of the Year** – Community-Based Support
- **Registered Manager of the Year** – Care Home
- **Registered Manager of the Year** – Community Based Support
- **Service support worker of the Year**
- **Wellbeing & Activities Initiative of the Year**
- **Innovation in Care Award**
- **Outstanding Contribution to Care Award**

Nominations close on 5th July at 11:59pm

MORE INFO

To find out more [CLICK HERE](#) or visit - www.bradfordcares.co.uk/awards

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