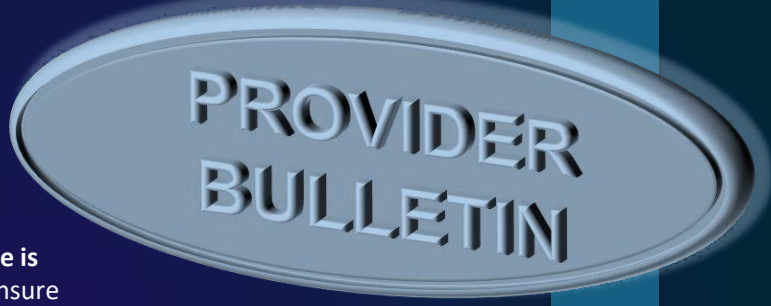


Thursday 13th August 2026



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 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.*

REQUIREMENTS FOR ORGANISATIONS OUTSIDE OF THE COUNCIL JOINING MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETINGS

External attendees to Teams meetings arranged by Council staff should please follow the instructions on this link:

[Guidance for partner organisations](#)

To join a meeting, users from external organisations must sign in to their organisation's Microsoft Teams account before joining the meeting.

By signing in with an organisational account, participant identities can be verified and will not appear as anonymous attendees. This allows meeting organisers to clearly identify who is requesting access before admitting them to the meeting.

PRACTITIONER FORUMS

Thursday 10 September 2026 | 11am - 12pm | Online

Help spark collaboration and communication between Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board (BSAB) and frontline practitioners working in adult safeguarding in the Bradford District area with the new Practitioner *Forums*.

The practitioner forums provide allotted time for safeguarding practitioners to discuss how policy works in practice. The forums are open to health and social care staff, the voluntary sector, police, probation, care providers and housing providers.

The next session is hosted on the 10th of September and will have a dedicated discussion on Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs), and the support staff require through this process.

In addition, the forum will provide a platform for sharing safeguarding knowledge, address challenges and promote best practice. The session will be hosted by specialists working within the SAR process.



Practitioner Forums: Safeguarding Adult Reviews



Thursday 10 September 2026



11am - 12pm (one hour)



Register here (online) - ([BSAB Practitioner Forum - September](#) | [Join meeting in Teams](#) | [Microsoft Teams](#))

For more information and how to book

www.saferbradford.co.uk/learning-resources/practitioner-forums

BRIDGING THE GAP: **TRANSITIONAL SAFEGUARDING AND EXPLOITATION**

TUESDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2026 | 9.30 AM - 1.00 PM | MS Teams

Following our popular Transitional Safeguarding Masterclass in November 2025, this year's regional conference will explore how a Transitional Safeguarding approach can strengthen responses to exploitation. Young people affected by exploitation and other forms of contextual harm often continue to experience significant risks beyond their 18th birthday. However, support, services and safeguarding responsibilities can change considerably during this period, creating challenges for young people, families and professionals alike.

Through contributions from three expert speakers and facilitated Q&A, this conference will:

- Explore the relationship between Transitional Safeguarding and exploitation
- Examine the experiences and needs of young people moving towards adulthood
- Consider how children's and adults' services can work together more effectively

- Share emerging learning, research and examples of local practice

This event is free to access and open to all Yorkshire and Humber professionals, including strategic leaders, managers and practitioners working across safeguarding partnerships, children's social care, adult social care, health, education, youth justice, policing, community safety, housing and the voluntary and community sector.

We are currently confirming our speakers and will share further details as they are announced. In the meantime, registrations are open and we encourage you to secure your place now!

This conference is funded by YHMAST and free-to-access for Yorkshire and Humber professionals.

Register your place now: <https://qrco.de/YHMAST2>

If you have any queries, please email
safeguardingtraining@bradford.gov.uk

LEARNING FROM SAFEGUARDING ADULTS REVIEW (SAR) COLIN

Providers are encouraged to review the recently published **Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR) Colin**, available via the Bradford Safeguarding Adults Board website:

SAR Colin: <https://saferbradford.co.uk/resources/adults/safeguarding-adults-reviews-sars/sar-colin/>

The review identifies a number of learning points for partner agencies and providers. In particular, it highlights the importance of ensuring that organisations have clear policies, procedures and staff guidance in place to support bariatric service users. This includes assessment, care planning, equipment provision, risk management and escalation processes where needs cannot be safely met.

Contract and Quality Officers may seek assurance regarding providers' arrangements for supporting bariatric individuals during annual monitoring activities, quality assurance visits and contract monitoring meetings. Providers are therefore encouraged to review the findings and consider any implications for their own policies and practice.

Full SAR Report: <https://www.saferbradford.co.uk/media/4h4ldm0f/7-mb-sar-colin.pdf>

PASSENGER TRANSPORT SERVICES (PTS) – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

PTS wants Providers to be aware that the Council has an obligation to periodically put its taxi contracts to tender. The latest procurement process is imminent and as a result it is possible that the current taxi operators may change.

CALLING DRIVERS OVER 65 -BOOK YOUR SAFETY CHECK

The Mature Driver Appraisal (MDA) is a 60-minute driving review session with an approved driving instructor, in your own car, driving to places you usually go. The appraisal is designed to build confidence, provide tips and advice, and reassure you that you are driving safely.

Following a successful pilot in Leeds, the MDA scheme is now being expanded across West Yorkshire, with funding from the West Yorkshire Vision Zero Partnership.

Since the launch of the pilot scheme in November 2023, around 100 older drivers in Leeds, aged 65 to 90+, have had their skills assessed to ensure they are still safe to continue driving. This scheme, which was featured on **BBC News**, is part of a bold ambition to achieve **Vision Zero** and eliminate fatal and serious road injuries from West Yorkshire's roads by 2040.

Places are subsidised by the WYVZ Partnership and are being offered at the reduced price of £20 (usually £70) by quoting 'MDA20'.

PLANNING CHILDCARE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026? DON'T MISS THE 31 AUGUST DEADLINE

If your child will be attending childcare from September 2026, you could be eligible for up to 30 hours of free childcare each week through the Free Childcare for Working Parents **scheme**.

Don't miss the 31 August 2026 deadline to receive your childcare eligibility code.

To start childcare in September 2026:

- ✓ Check if you are eligible for the Free Childcare for Working Parents **scheme**
- ✓ Your child must be at least 9 months old by 31 August 2026
- ✓ Apply through a **GOV.UK** childcare account (you can register online)
- ✓ Receive your eligibility code before 31 August 2026

Start your application today and secure your code in time. Once approved, you'll receive an 11-digit eligibility code to share with your chosen childcare provider.

[Find out more](#)

WORKFORCE SURVEY (INTERNATIONAL RECRUITS AND UK DOMESTIC STAFF)

The People's Commissioning Service has launched a new **Workforce Survey (International Recruits and UK Domestic Staff)** and requires the following services to complete it:

- Residential Care Homes
- Nursing Care Homes
- Domiciliary/Home Care
- Supported Living Services
- Extra Care Housing (where care staff are directly employed)
 - Learning Disability Care Providers
 - Mental Health Supported Living/Care Providers
 - Complex Care Providers
- Shared Lives providers (if employing sponsored care workers)
 - Day Activities

The survey will help us understand current workforce capacity, recruitment activity and staffing challenges across commissioned services. This information will be collected **quarterly** to help us monitor trends and support workforce planning across the sector.

Survey link:

<https://online1.snapsurveys.com/yu58lh>

Please complete the survey by **close of play 26 August 2026**.

You can also access the survey by scanning the QR code below:



VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LEVEL ONE TRAINING

As part of the healthy working life programme, we are delighted to share we can now offer further vocational rehabilitation level one training dates. The training will be delivered by Cathi Ridding who is an Occupational Therapist and Vocational Rehabilitation expert in our system.

Last year we trained staff and volunteers working in cardiac, pulmonary and stroke rehabilitation teams. Of the 146 people who have already attended the training 82% rated the session as 'very good' or 'excellent'.

Vocational rehabilitation enables people to overcome obstacles associated with illness, injury or health conditions that impact their ability to work. It can help people enter or return to work or remain in employment, training or an alternative occupation.

Here's an opportunity to access bespoke vocational rehabilitation training to support conversations that can help people stay in work. You'll learn about:

- the importance of work and health for wellbeing
- vocational rehabilitation – what it is and how we do it in practice
- reasonable adjustments, relevant policies and legal protections
 - having return-to-work conversations
- supporting people to advocate for themselves in employment discussions
- signposting and the range of services and resources available

If you work or volunteer for a health or social care service in West Yorkshire, this training is for you. Just select which session you'd like to attend and click the link to register.

Thursday 20th August 2026 - 9.00am to 10.30am
Tuesday 8th September 2026 - 11.00am to 12.30pm

This activity is part of Healthy Working Life, a joint programme of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board. To find out more, go to wypartnership.co.uk

BCA Sector Specific Provider Check In Meetings

Quarterly sector specific check in meetings for providers to come together, discuss challenges and key issues, hear the latest updates, and share best practice. All meetings will take place online via Microsoft Teams.

Specialist Care Home Check In Meeting

Meeting dates:

- 12th August 2026 - (11:30am - 12pm)
- 11th November 2026 - (11:30am - 12pm)
- 10th February 2027 - (11:30am - 12pm)

Extra Care Sector Check In Meeting

Meeting dates:

- 9th September 2026 - (11:30am - 12pm)
- 9th December 2026 - (11:30am - 12pm)
- 10th March 2027 - (11:30am - 12pm)

Supported Living Check In Meeting

Meeting dates:

- 14th October 2026 - (11:30am - 12pm)
- 13th January 2027 - (11:30am - 12pm)
- 14th April 2027 - (11:30am - 12pm)



For a calendar invites email
admin@bradfordcareassociation.org



Care Home Brokerage Sitrep

monthly report for July 2026

06 Aug 2026
Last Refreshed

Currently in progress

This includes requests received in the past 7 days

Type	Jul 26
New DTA	23
New LTS Nursing	12
New LTS Residential	15
New Short Term Residential	7
Respite	7
Total	64

53

Homes awarded in month

31

Homes updated over 2 weeks ago

03 Aug 2026

Latest capacity report date

Placed in July 2026

Placed

Type	Jul 26
New DTA	43
New LTS Nursing	20
New LTS Residential	47
New Short Term Nursing	less than 5
New Short Term Residential	9
Respite	27
Self Funder	less than 5
Total	146

Placed by Constituency

Area	Jul 26
Bradford East	29
Bradford South	30
Bradford West	22
Keighley and Ilkley	25
Shipley	36
Unknown	5
Total	147

Placements by Constituency

