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## LV Friday Flyer – 23 November 2018

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The **Friday Flyer** is a weekly round-up of news and what's on in the Lower Valley. We hope you will find this informative and useful. **Let us know what you think!**



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## Latest News

### Changes to Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs)

Two changes are coming to Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) which will reduce contractual costs and help manage waste disposal while at the same time ensuring that all Household Waste Recycling Centres remain open and continue to operate their existing hours. From **Monday 3 December**, plasterboard, hardcore and rubble will now only be accepted at Halifax, Brighouse and Todmorden HWRCs, with a charge per bag.

The second change is the introduction of a Resident's permit on a trial basis, to Brighouse and Elland HWRCs, starting on the **Monday 26 November**. Every vehicle visiting Brighouse or Elland HWRC will need a resident permit in order to deposit waste or recycling. Permits will be issued free of charge by the site office, on production of photo identification to prove residence in Calderdale.

More information is available [here](#).

## Get Involved / Have Your Say

### Calderdale Forum 50+ Annual General Meeting 2018

The 8th Annual General Meeting of **Calderdale Forum 50+** is to be held on **Wednesday 21 November, 4:00pm** at the Community Room, **Halifax Fire Station**, Skircoat Moor Road – Halifax HX1 3JF. This is an open meeting and all are welcome. [More details...](#)

### RSPCA Christmas Meal Appeal

This December the **RSPCA Halifax, Huddersfield, Bradford & District Branch** is calling on their supporters to help them give the animals in their centre the best Christmas possible.

Although the RSPCA staff work really hard to make the animals feel comfortable, happy and loved all year round, Christmas is always hard as nothing can compare to the surroundings of a loving home and lots of treats. Get an animal a [Christmas Meal Ticket...](#)

### Overgate Firewalk 2018

Brand new for 2018, on **Saturday 8 December, 5:00pm-8:00pm** at **Overgate Hospice** see Firewalkers jump out of their comfort zones and into the fire! The fire is real. The embers are red hot. Temperatures reach over 500 degrees C. [Dare you Firewalk?...](#)

## Fundraising Ideas for Forget Me Not Children's Hospice

Christmas is a very special time for our families. A time to share magical moments and make precious memories that will last forever. That's why **Forget Me Not Children's Hospice** wants to make Christmas as magical as possible – but they need your help. They have 12 festive and fun ways you can get involved. From donating to our shops, playing the raffle, volunteering or cycling to Lapland (well, sort of), there's something for everyone! [See the ideas...](#)

## Vote for Elland Silver Band Through the Aviva Community Fund

**Elland Silver Band** is one of Yorkshire's oldest brass bands and in recent years has become one of the most progressive community bands. The band is seeking funding to further develop the tuition programme by offering a series of workshops for beginners and developing young musicians. [Find out more and vote now...](#) (You can vote for more than one group so support the Wildlife Group as well!)

## Support the Cromwell Bottom Wildlife Group

Cromwell Bottom Wildlife Group has ambitious plans and is working hard to make this local nature reserve a real haven for wildlife and a place for education and peaceful enjoyment for the whole local community. The group has applied to the Aviva Community Fund to help them achieve their goals. You can help them by [voting now...](#) (You can vote for more than one group so support the Band as well!)

## Events and What's On

### *This weekend!* Brighouse Christmas Market

Lots of people are looking forward to this year's Christmas Market in Brighouse with over 70 stalls of locally made crafts, street food, cakes, cheese, gin and much more. Stretching over the weekend of **Saturday 24** and **Sunday 25 November**, the market will include the Christmas Light Switch-on on **Saturday 24 November, 4:00pm**. [More...](#)

### *This weekend!* Women Traveller's Exhibition Opening

A new exhibition called **Women Travellers** will be opening on **Saturday 24 November, 11:00am** at **Bankfield Museum**. Focusing on the lives of four extraordinary women; Anne Lister, Edith Durham, Liz Humphries and Gertrude Bell. This exhibition will tell the story of the journeys they took, the objects they collected and the many people they met. [More...](#)

### Christmas at Kershaw's Garden Centre

There are many activities and events happening at **Kershaw's Garden Shopping Centre**. On **Saturday 1 December, 4:00pm-7:00pm** will be a Community Festive Evening including the Christmas Lights switch on. Entry is FREE but donations are welcome to support local charities. [Other events...](#)

### Christmas Fair at the Piece Hall

From **Friday 30 November** to **Sunday 2 December** there will be a special Christmas Fair, showcasing some of the region's favourite independent craft stalls, artisan makers and pop-up food and drink traders. Entry is FREE on **Friday 12:00pm-6:00pm** and on **Saturday and Sunday 10:00am-6:00pm**. [Information...](#)

### Christmas Concert at St Andrew's, Stainland

The *'Tis The Season'* Christmas Concert at **St. Andrew's Church**, Stainland Road on **Sunday 2 December, 2:30pm**. Featuring Huddersfield Youth Brass Band and Huddersfield and Ripponden Brass Band there will be music to suit all tastes. [More...](#)

### Jingle and Mingle – Cheese and Wine Evening

**Business for Calderdale** is lucky enough to have secured owner of Czerwick and master Cheesemonger John, for the BFC Christmas cheese and wine evening at the Piece Hall on **Thursday 6 December, 7:00pm-9:30pm**. There are 50 places available tickets are £25.00 per person. Find out more and [book a place...](#)

## Sowerby Bridge Christmas Lights – with Memory Lane Café

The Sowerby Bridge Christmas lights switch on will take place outside the Village restaurant on **Friday 7 December, 6:00pm**. Festivities will start at 5:00pm, so join the **Memory Lane Café** for some mulled wine, and carols round the tree. All welcome!

## Lapland in Lightcliffe

Lapland In Lightcliffe will be taking place on **Saturday 8 December, 10:00am-6:00pm** with market stalls and Santa's grotto at The Lightcliffe Club on Wakefield Road. This will be followed by a kid's party 6:00pm-8:00pm. [Read on...](#)

## Citizens Advice Calderdale – Open Day

**Citizens Advice Calderdale** is holding an Open Day on **Monday 10 December, 10:00am-3:00pm** at the office on Harrison Road, Halifax. There will be a number of bitesize sessions repeated through the day. Also, see about the current vacancies. [More info...](#)

## Christmas Celebration at Elland Christian Centre

**Elland Christian Centre**, on Newcombe Street will be holding the annual carol concert on **Sunday 16 December, 6:00pm**. There will be a mix of traditional carols, choir items and contemporary band items followed by refreshments. Entry is FREE. [More...](#)

## Monday Kitchen Lunch Club at St. Andrew's Church

The Lunch Club meets on **Mondays** (except public holidays) at St. Andrew's Methodist Church, Halifax. Coffee and tea are served until mid-day when there is a short 'God-spot'. After this there is a lunch of soup, sandwiches and cakes. [Find out more...](#)

## Children & Young People

### *This weekend!* FREE Dad's Event at The Edge Play Gym

**Field Lane Children's Centre** will be holding a FREE Dad's event on **Saturday 24 November 2018, 9:30am-11:15am** at **The Edge Play Gym**, Brighouse. This event, suitable for children 0-8 years of age will give free access to the gym as well as party games, snacks and other activities. [Book a place...](#)

### All Aboard the Playbus!

FREE events from Sure Start Children's Centres NHP suitable for ages 0 – 8 years. No need to book – just climb aboard! One remaining visit on **Wednesday 28 November** – Springfield Road car park, Elland, HX5 9EN. 10am – 11.30am. For more information phone Field Lane Children's Centre on **01484 386 621**.

### Elves Christmas Workshops at the Piece Hall

Join Cinnamon the Elf and the Piece Hall's Heritage and Learning team for a range of festive craft activities including Christmas tree decorations, tea light holders and felted robins. Workshops will be at 10:00am, 11:30am, 1:30pm and 3:00pm on **1, 2, 8, 9, 15 and 22 December**. The £7 per child ticket includes a gift for each child. [Book now...](#)

### Applying for a School Place for September 2019

Children born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 are due to start primary school in September 2019. To apply for a school place you must apply online by **15 January 2019** at [www.calderdale.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/admissions). The application process opens on **19 November**. [More...](#)

### Christmas Wreath Making at Wellholme Park Children's Centre

Wellholme Park Children's Centre is holding two events at the Children's Centre on **Monday 26 November** and **Friday 30 November**. This is a family learning activity creating your Christmas Wreath using natural materials. [Book now...](#)

## **Festive Fun Workshop with LEGO Bricks**

This Festive Fun workshop on **Sunday 2 December, 10:30am-12:00pm** at **Southowram Community Centre** is open to all children aged 5+ will provide children with plenty of themed model building during the exciting run-up to Christmas. The activities are for all but are also suitable for children who are diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and their siblings. [Book a place...](#)

## **Santa's Sparkly Surprise at Victoria Theatre**

Take your little ones to see Santa, Ellie the Elf and the gang at the **Victoria Theatre** starting from **Thursday 6 December**. Rudolph and Mouse are very sad that the workshop has no decorations or a Christmas tree and that there are no presents for them! They'll need the help of all the children in the audience to make Christmas as special as it should be. Check the show times and [book a place...](#)

## **Cinderella Magic Wand Workshop at Shibden Hall**

On **Saturday 15 December** meet Cinderella and her Fairy Godmother at **Shibden Hall** in this magical costumed workshop. Help Cinderella with her chores and discover old toys. Create your magic wand and cast a spell to send Cinderella to the ball. [Book now...](#)

## **Sure Start Children's Centres Autumn Newsletter**

Sure Start Children's Centres, North Halifax Partnership has published the Autumn Newsletter which includes information about the family learning courses that are taking place September – December 2018, along with the accredited courses on offer. It also includes their What's On Guides, which shows the weekly groups on offer across the Children's Centres and services provided by partner agencies. [Download now...](#)

## **Local Cinemas and Theatres**

[Vue Halifax](#) – [The Rex Cinema](#) – [Hebden Bridge Picture House](#) – [The Victoria Theatre](#)  
[Square Chapel Centre for the Arts](#) – [Halifax Playhouse](#) – [King Cross Library Film Club](#)

## **Health and Staying Well**

### **Bertie's Top 10 Tips for a Warmer, Healthier Home**

Winter is coming...are you prepared for cold weather? Be as snug as Bertie Bug with his top tips to keep your warm healthier and warmer for less. Financial assistance – small grants and loans – are available for boiler replacements or repairs, loft/ attic room insulation and cavity wall insulation for eligible households. [More information...](#)

### **National HIV Testing Week 2018**

The week is co-ordinated by HIV Prevention England (HPE) with support and participation from organisations in the public, statutory and private sectors, and promotes the benefits of regular testing and treatment for both the individual and community. Testing for HIV is free, fast, confidential and simple – ***you can now even do it at home.*** [Find out more...](#)

### **Different Strokes Calderdale Moves to Halifax**

Different Strokes Calderdale is moving to Halifax. This is a UK charity providing active, self-help and mutual support younger stroke survivors. The Calderdale group is a place for younger stroke survivors to meet other people affected by stroke and take part in activities to aid rehabilitation. [Find out more...](#)

### **Wednesday Bereavement Support and Social group at the Canon Winter Centre, Elland**

The Wednesday Bereavement Support and Social group at the **Canon Winter Centre**, All Saint's Church, Elland HX5 0JF usually meets on the **1st Wednesday** of the month **2:00pm to 4:00pm**. [Find out more...](#)

## **FREE Christmas Choir Event at Sandholme Crescent Community Room**

Waring Green Choir will be giving a free afternoon of Christmas songs on **Friday 7 December, 2:00pm–4:00pm** at Sandholme Crescent Community Room, Hipperholme HX3 8AE. Everyone is welcome and for more information please contact Ann on **01422 207070**.

## **Chit Chat Group at Canon Winter Centre, Elland**

The Chit Chat group at the **Canon Winter Centre**, Elland meets on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** of the month. Meetings start with tea, coffee and biscuits, along with a chat, both with new found friends and friendships renewed. Activities at meetings range from board games to Beethoven. [Find out more...](#)

## **Singalong with Steve at Hamerton Close**

Start the weekend on a high! Join a fortnightly group at **Hamerton Close**, Elland for people aged 60 plus. Steve Brown is a professional musician with a wide range of experience. The next date is **Friday 23 November**. £2:50 per session (including refreshments). [Find out more...](#)

## **Calderdale Staying Safe Latest Drop in Sessions**

Calderdale Staying Safe, the Domestic Abuse Support Service has given the latest information on how to contact them, **01422 323339** Monday to Friday 9am-5pm and also the out of hours number. There are drop-in sessions at Todmorden Community College, Innovations Children's Centre and Queens Road Neighbourhood Centre. [Details...](#)

## **Avoid Investment and Pension Scams**

The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) has some guidance in the ScamSmart section of the website. In conjunction with the recent TV advertising, there is advice and guidance on avoiding scams. Pension scams can be hard to spot. Scammers can be articulate and financially knowledgeable, with credible-looking websites, testimonials and materials that are hard to distinguish from the real thing. [Find out more about avoiding scams...](#)

## **Do you know someone who's feeling lonely?**

Talk to the Staying Well Hub – call us on 01422 392767

## **Local Sports Centres**

- [Brighouse Swimming Pool and Fitness Centre](#) – Tel. 01422 28806
- [Halifax Swimming Pool](#) - Tel. 01422 366624
- [Sowerby Bridge Pool](#) - Tel. 01422 288078
- [Northbridge Leisure Centre](#) - Tel. 01422 341527

## **Employment and Training**

### **FREE Cycle Maintenance Training**

CityConnect is offering FREE cycle maintenance courses on **Saturday 8 and Saturday 15 December, 10:00am-4:00pm** at Forest Cottage Community Centre, Cousin Lane, Ovenden including safety check, wheel, tyre and tube removal, puncture repairs and much more. [Details...](#)

### **16-19 Years Old? – Call in to C&K Careers for a Chat**

**C&K Careers** based at their public centre on Alexandra Street in Halifax don't just offer help with your work and learning options, their door is open if you need support or advice too. Young people can drop in any time for a chat **Monday – Friday 10:00am-4:00pm**. [More...](#)

## Everyday Activism – Local Campaign Training

**Campaign Bootcamp's** Everyday Activism project is a new local training programme that supports people to learn how to campaign on issues that matter to them. Problems such as budget cuts, discrimination, inequality and lack of good jobs are making the daily lives of people across the UK increasingly precarious, unstable and stressful. [Find out more...](#)

## Work Club at Elland Children's Centre

FREE guidance & support with job searching & CV writing for families & young people looking for work, training, volunteering opportunities, apprenticeships or short courses. Held **every Monday – 1:00pm to 3:00pm** at Elland Children's Centre, go along for a cup of tea and a chat or call Elland Children's Centre on **01422 266197** for more information.

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Volunteering Opportunities with Citizens Advice Calderdale

Thanks to a grant from the Community Foundation for Calderdale through the #iwill project and The Big Lottery, Citizens Advice Calderdale is offering a chance to improve employment skills whilst making a difference to people living in Calderdale. Existing volunteers support the charity through photography, website development and literature design. [Learn more...](#)

### Support Age UK at Christmas

**Age UK Calderdale and Kirklees** are asking for your support this Christmas in various ways. Volunteers are needed for bucket collections, help with the Carol Concert and much more. For further information, please phone **01422 252040** or email [enquiries@ageukck.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@ageukck.org.uk)

### Volunteer for Service Delivery in Victim Support

Are you looking to make a difference in your community? Are you looking for a flexible volunteer role where you can manage your own workload? **Victim Support** is looking for Service Delivery Volunteers to support people who have been affected by crime within the Bradford and Calderdale areas. The role will involve providing emotional and practical support to people who have been affected by crime by speaking to them over the phone, in their own homes or at other mutually agreed locations. [More...](#)

## Latest Jobs

- [Various Vacancies – Citizens Advice Calderdale](#)
- [Various Posts – Sure Start Children's Centres NHP](#)
- [Casual Publicity Assistant – Victoria Theatre](#)
- [Dramatherapist – The William Henry Smith School](#)
- [Dementia Support Manager – Alzheimer's Society](#)
- [Customer Advisor – B&Q Halifax](#)
- [Customer Assistant – Marks & Spencer, Halifax](#)

## *And finally...*

### **News from other areas**

We link to lots of groups and services in your area and try to bring information about events and activities together in one place. Did you know there are blogs covering the [Central Halifax](#), [Halifax North & East](#) and [Upper Valley](#) areas too? And regular updates!

### **Friday Flyer - Contact Us:**

- ★ **Recommend a friend** to get the Friday Flyer by asking them to email us
- ★ **Publicise an event** in the Friday Flyer
- ★ **Advertise** your service or community group

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