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## LV Friday Flyer – 30 April 2021

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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

### Don't forget to vote in the May 6th Elections

You are reminded that on Thursday 6th of May 2021 there are Calderdale-wide elections to vote for Local Government Councillors and the first ever election for a Combined Authority Mayor. In some areas there will also be Parish/Town Council by-elections. [Remember to vote](#)

### Activity ideas to do with your children in May

As we are still and will be for some time under Covid restrictions very few live group events are open. In the meantime, the Sure Start creative minds have put together a list of fun activities for the whole family to take part in! [Download May Activity Ideas](#)

### Covid Self-isolation Checklist in English, Czech, Urdu, Bangla

Any one of us might need to self isolate because we have (or could have) COVID-19. If you have to self-isolate make sure you're prepared. If you are in need of support, the Council can help. [View the checklist](#)

### It's National Gardening Week, 26 April – 2 May

Be at one with nature and get yourself some green fingers. Over the last year, we've come to rely on our gardens and green spaces more than ever. Many of us have rediscovered the importance of connecting with nature for our mental and physical wellbeing and for National Gardening Week in 2021, the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) are celebrating the feel-good power of plants and gardens, highlighting the scientific links between gardening and wellbeing and sharing easy tips. [View the tips](#)

### You, Yourself and Yoga 10 week free wellbeing course

Healthy Minds Calderdale are offering you a 10 week wellbeing course. Learn how to look after your health and wellbeing through the practice of Yoga. The course is for all levels, you don't need to have done Yoga before, you don't even need a Yoga mat. Just some comfortable clothing and willingness to try. [More information](#)

### RSPCA Halifax to host Virtual Cat show May 9th

Could your cat win in our Virtual Cat Show?... You can enter your cat or kitten into any of the 10 photo categories between 23<sup>rd</sup> April and 7<sup>th</sup> May. We will announce our winners during a live show on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May starring some of our kitty residents, virtual cattery tours and some fun feline activities too! [Read more](#)

## **Community Foundation for Calderdale welcome back sport with grants of £3,000 for Sports Clubs**

As the UK begins to plan for a post-pandemic future, sport and community clubs need to play a vital role in our recovery so the Community Foundation for Calderdale have partnered with Made by Sport to make grants of up to £3,000 available to local sports clubs to save, resume or adapt their activity. [Apply for a grant](#)

## **Free Counter Terrorism Awareness courses available**

Counter Terrorism Awareness Advisors on behalf of Counter Terrorism Policing North East are delivering ACT Awareness and SCaN (See Check and Notify) presentations remotely via Microsoft Teams. [Apply for these courses](#)

## **Online confidence and wellbeing courses by Eve Remington**

There are still available places for Eve's online confidence and Wellbeing courses running in May 2021. [Join here](#)

## **Lead Deputy Children's Centre Manager at Wellholme Park Children's Centre**

Wellholme Park Children's Centre is looking for an inspirational manager who is able to provide leadership to a staff team and a provision of 37 children aged 0-4 years. [Is this you?](#)

## **A Sure Start for your little one at Elland Children's Centre**

Sure Start Children's Centres were set up to be a one stop shop for services relating to children and families. Your local Children's Centre is in **Elland town centre**, on Boxhall Road, next to Elland C of E school. [More about us](#)

## **EU Nationals UK Settlement Scheme apply by June 30, 2021**

If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, you and your family can apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK **after 30th June 2021**. If you need support to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme, you can get help from Calderdale Council in partnership with Halifax Opportunities Trust. [Apply for the scheme](#)

# **Coronavirus Latest**

## **COVID-19 Message for parents of school children**

We're on the right path but it's really important we all do what we can to keep moving in the right direction. The more we can do to stop the spread the safer everyone will be and the less disruption there will be to education. [Read message](#)

## **Calderdale COVID-19 vaccination engagement**

If you have received a COVID-19 vaccination already, you can feedback about your experience of the vaccination process. If you have not yet received a COVID-19 vaccination, we would like to hear your views on the vaccine and how well informed you feel about it. [Take the survey](#)

## **Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine statement from Department of Public Health**

Statement from the Department of Public Health regarding the safety of the AstraZeneca vaccine following reports of blood clots in a small number of people who had recently had the vaccine. [Read statement](#)

## **Be a Covid Champion and help keep your community safe**

Can you help keep your community / organisation safe as we move towards restrictions easing, and the possibility of meeting face-to-face? [Join our Covid Champions programme!](#)

## **Get Involved / Have Your Say**

### **Join the council's Citizens' Panel 'Talkback'**

If you live in Calderdale, are over 18 years old (Council employees included) and can spare some time to help answer our monthly surveys, then we need your help! By joining the panel you will help us shape the future of Calderdale in a way that is important to all its residents. [Join the panel](#)

### **Calderdale Council Local Parks Survey**

The purpose of this survey is to help us understand how our work is impacting residents' ability, opportunity, and motivation to be physically active, and how best to focus efforts going forwards. [Complete survey](#)

## **Funding and Grants**

### **CFFC launches Local Care Direct Health & Wellbeing Fund for Calderdale residents**

The Community Foundation for Calderdale (CFFC) have partnered with Local Care Direct to support people with their health and wellbeing. With grants of up to £5,000 available to not for profit organisations, the new fund created by Local Care Direct aims to make a real difference in these difficult times. [Apply for a grant](#)

### **Laptops for Learning – from Calderdale Council**

We've teamed up with the Community Foundation for Calderdale and The Valley Learning Partnership to launch Laptops for Learning – an appeal to purchase laptops for pupils most at need while they are being home schooled. [Read more](#)

## **Events and What's On**

### **Explore the Reimagining Communities Listening Library**

In 2020 and the during the third lockdown in January and February 2021 North Halifax Partnership held conversations with as many people in the community as possible to understand how the Covid-19 crisis has impacted people locally. The Listening Library includes interviews, videos, artwork and poetry. [Browse the library](#)

### **Magpies have spaces available for new members!**

Places available to join Magpies; a place to make new friends, learn new skills and create new opportunities for adults with learning disabilities. [Interested?](#)

### **Disability Partnership Calderdale newsletter 06 April 2021**

The latest Disability Partnership Calderdale mentions Yorkshire Water's Priority Services Register, post COVID19 vaccination advice and info on relaxing of restrictions, also a list of help and support services. [Read the Newsletter here](#)

## Curious e-Motion series 2 'Our Values' Live!

Series 2 of Curious e-Motion podcasts has launched. For this series we are exploring the values that Curious Motion holds. Plus, we've got some exciting podcast updates and some extra content for you – [Keep reading to find out more...](#)

## Neighbourhood Watch OUR NEWS April 2021 edition

This month we launch our PROTECT YOUR CAR campaign. We also look at fleeceware scams, predatory marriage and much more. Next year, in 2022, we will be celebrating Neighbourhood Watch's **40th Anniversary** and we want to hear from you how YOU would like to see this celebrated nationally. [Read newsletter](#)

## Healthy Minds Workshops, Courses & Groups April to June 2021

Take a look at the April courses and regular workshops and groups from Healthy Minds Calderdale. [Find out more](#)

## Welcome to the Spring 2021 Edition of Grow Calderdale News!

The latest Grow Calderdale Spring 2021 newsletter is out, packed with help and tips on gardening. Prepare your garden for spring and summer, what jobs you need to prioritise each month, not forgetting wildlife and tasty seasonal recipes. [Read newsletter](#)

## Disability Partnership Calderdale newsletter 29 March 2021

The latest Disability Partnership Calderdale has information on the ease of restrictions, the safety of the AstraZeneca vaccine, COVID vaccination information and a call for the consultations of the walking and cycling routes of your area, reminder of the elections and a list of useful resources. [Read newsletter](#)

## West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership scoops national prestigious awards

The achievements of 24 winners — and 186 finalists — saw WY&H HCP being recognised by the HSJ for a number of outstanding achievements after a year in which it faced its toughest ever challenges. [Read more](#)

## Halifax Opportunities Trust March Newsletter

The latest newsletter from Halifax Opportunities trust brings you news on the projects of the Outback, developments at the Elsie Whiteley Innovations Centre and job hunting opportunities created by their Employment Team. [Read Newsletter here](#)

## Calderdale Libraries announce Reading Friends

Do you enjoy a good book? Like looking at magazines or reading the paper? Would you like to chat over the phone about what you A read? If so Calderdale Libraries would love to hear from you. [Express interest](#)

## Staying Well is now on Instagram!

The Staying Well Hub has its own dedicated presence on Instagram! We'd like to take this opportunity to remind you that we are still here if you need us to lend a listening ear. [See our latest](#)

## Further fly-tipping occurrences around Halifax

Once more we regret that we must bring incidents of fly tipping to your attention. Our aim is not to name and shame but to pass the message that fly tipping is unacceptable. [A grimy look...](#)

## **Crafts with Dan – Plastic Bottle Piggy Planter**

As part of a North Halifax Partnership project around recycling and the environment our Ward Link Worker Dan Marham is here to share some creative ways to make use of one of the largest contributors to plastic pollution.... Single use plastic bottles! [Make your own!](#)

## **Important Update on CREW Heart Support Guided Walks**

It has become clear that unfortunately our organised walks are NOT in the same category as organised outdoor exercise. Thankfully our walks will still be running, but now in small groups of 6 as before. Please see the amended guidance below. [Read more](#)

# **Children & Young People**

## **Animal Merge Term time Drawing online workshop for children**

Time Out are running animal merge every Tuesday at 4pm for an hour during term time. The workshop is intended for young people 10-16 years of age and there's a different theme each week. [Joining info](#)

## **Help for children and teenagers to cope with difficult emotions**

Open Minds Calderdale are here to help children and young people cope with the difficult emotions of stress, anxiety and frustration. A lot of these feelings have come about due to the several months of lockdown and disruption of the daily routine. [Find help](#)

## **Cloud Youth Project Easter activities for children and young people**

Cloud Youth Project, part of Reach4ward have prepared a series of Easter activity sessions for young people, starting the Easter term period and beyond. [Find out more](#)

## **Healthy Minds Create Workshop available spaces**

We have places free for our Zoom Drawing Workshops (CREATE) on Tuesdays at 4pm. Any children aged 10 to 19 that would like to create some cartoon animals with Zeke and Alex are welcome to join. [Joining information](#)

## **Updates on the Buggy Battles of Calderdale**

The website for Buggy Battles of Calderdale has new updates, including videos and an updated list of resources and materials and information of group sessions. [Visit website](#)

## **Research support for Youth Loneliness with INC360**

This is a Pilot Project from INC360 to tackle youth loneliness and promote positive mental health. They are looking for any young people who might like to get involved for free. [Find out more](#)

## **Resources for supporting children back to school**

Time Out is supporting young people in Calderdale to return to school safely and helping with mental health support. [Read more](#)

## Health and Wellbeing

### Living streets will teach you to Walk this May!

Living Streets #WalkThisMay have tips and free resources to help you find time and inspiration to include a stroll as part of your day, whether you're working from home, at school or self-isolating. [Take a look](#)

### Big Bike Revival 2021 is here!

Events aim to cater for people returning or beginning to cycle for the first time, break down barriers to cycling and ensure that events are accessible to all. Sessions include taking old bikes and bringing them back to life, passing on riding and maintenance skills, and running group rides in local communities. [Find out more](#)

### Know the facts about Bowel Cancer

Beating Bowel Cancer and Bowel Cancer UK have merged and their mission is to ensure that by 2050, no-one will die of bowel cancer. If treated early there is a very good chance of recovery. [Read more](#)

### What can your NHS dentist do for you?

An informative flyer about how the NHS dentists help keep the health of your teeth, gums and mouth. [Read it here](#)

### Offload men's mental fitness programme is coming to Halifax

Rugby League Cares is delighted to announce that Offload, its hugely successful men's mental fitness programme, is coming to Halifax. The programme is a free 10-week course of one-hour fixtures designed to equip men with the skills, tools and techniques needed to manage their mental health and provide help for others. [Read more](#)

### Having a stroke is a medical emergency – Act F.A.S.T and dial 999 immediately

With all the publicity around the coronavirus, it is easy to forget that there are other serious health conditions that cause death and disability. The NHS continues to be 'Still here for you' during the coronavirus outbreak and we urge people not to ignore signs and symptoms that could be potentially life changing and life threatening. [Full story](#)

## Employment, Training and Volunteering

### Beyond Brontës – Film opportunity with Screen Yorkshire

Beyond Brontës is a part-time screen-industries training package tailored to your needs, with modules including masterclasses, CV and interview workshops, mentorship and one-to-one support. And it's free. [How you can join](#)

### New volunteer befriending opportunity!

Staying Well are looking to recruit new Volunteer Telephone Befrienders! If you are friendly, chatty and would like to give some time to make a regular call and brighten someone's day then this is the perfect opportunity for you. The commitment can be as little as half an hour a week and the difference you can make to someone's life is immeasurable... [information...](#)

## Want to become a life changer? Volunteer with Guide Dogs!

Are you experienced in teaching new behaviours? Do you feel you can dedicate 14 months to training a new puppy? Then this could be the perfect opportunity for you! [Find out more](#)

## [re]boot your career! Fully Funded Online Skills Training NOW Available!

Within these uncertain times, many of us are having to upskill our knowledge in many areas. Look to develop your knowledge and understanding of Remote Working and Using Social Media. [Apply here](#)

## Supporting Unpaid Carers at Home free online session

SUCH (Supporting Unpaid Carers at Home) is a free online session that has been funded by West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership Personalised Care Programme. [Apply for a place](#)

## Community Safety

### Yorkshire Water introduce Priority Service Register

Calderdale Forum 50 Plus in association with Yorkshire Water want to inform you of a new project, Priority Service Plus which can benefit older people and the most vulnerable in Calderdale. [Find out more](#)

### Protect Your Car – Neighbourhood Watch Campaign

At Neighbourhood Watch, we need your help to remind car owners to remain vigilant about where and how they park their cars, in order to keep them safe. [Protect your vehicle](#)

## Latest Jobs

All the latest jobs and apprenticeships from our dedicated [Jobs page](#). For more information on the jobs below including how to apply, [Click here](#)

- [2 x Project Worker at TimeOut – Healthy Minds – Closing May 04](#)
- [Lead Deputy Children’s Centre Manager Wellholme Park Children’s Centre – Closing May 12](#)
- [Remote Working & Social Media Skills – Training NOW Available!](#)
- [Publish, Integrate and Share – Using Social Media Online Skills – Training NOW Available!](#)
- [NHP Sure Start Children’s Centres Sessional Worker – Ongoing](#)

## Want to know what’s going on in other parts of Calderdale?

The [Calderdale Lower Valley Blog](#) is updated daily and can also be subscribed to for free. 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 with their own regular newsletters and 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
- ★ **Send a [Community Thank You](#)**

*The deadline for posting on the Friday Flyer is **Thursday 12pm**. Depending on workload, posts arriving at that time may still have to go on the following week's flyer.*

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