

LOWER VALLEY Friday Flyer

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LV Friday Flyer – 14 January 2022

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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

VSI Alliance Update 14 January 2022

The latest VSI alliance News & Events discusses Coronavirus vaccination, local consultations, online activities and training opportunities from various organisations, as well as job vacancies and volunteering opportunities. [Read the updates here](#)

Time Out network meeting to be held online on 26th January

Although we will miss the coffee and cake element of proceedings, it will be fantastic to see you all and to share information about what's going on for children and young people in our area. [Join the meeting](#)

Coronavirus Vaccination key messages from Calderdale CCG

Calderdale Clinical Commissioning group would like to encourage everyone eligible for a Covid vaccination to take the opportunity to protect themselves and others from coronavirus. [Read messages](#)

VCS Peer Support Webinar 18th January 2022

This month, we will be joined by Hilary Turley from All 1 Collective + Lab leading an open discussion around climate change. [Join seminar](#)

Take the Halifax Railway Station consultation by January the 30th

With over £30m of funding from the West Yorkshire Combined Authority, we have the opportunity to transform Halifax Railway Station, improving the travel experience and providing a boost to the local economy. [Share your views](#)

Official Launch of the Staying Well Community Fund

We are keen to work with community groups, small community associations, organisations, projects and initiatives reduce social isolation and loneliness, help individuals and communities to get moving more, and finally, offer support to groups who are financially vulnerable due to the challenges of Covid and want to keep their vital support/service going. [Find out more](#)

Offload: Build a winning mindset at OSCA

Every man needs support to make ground in his life. These sessions will help you build your own mental fitness and a better mindset, as well as support others around you who may be struggling. [Find out more](#)

Staying Well is looking for Telephone Befrienders

If you are looking for a volunteering opportunity that can make a huge positive impact to someone, you may want to become a Staying Well Telephone Befriender. You only need to commit 30 minutes a week but those 30 minutes can mean the world to someone. [Join our team](#)

Cabinet Office latest advisory on Coronavirus

Find out the latest recommendations on dealing with the spread of the virus. [Read here](#)

Healthy Minds Wednesday Drop-in is back – by appointment

These sessions are an opportunity to get help, support, or to chat to us and find out more about our services. [Get in touch!](#)

Invictus Children's Mental Health Week projects

See what Invictus, West Yorkshire Children and Young People's Mental Health Charity have planned for Children's Mental Health Week 2022. [View here](#)

Urgent Community Response VCSE Workshop February 10th

We would like to remind you of this workshop aimed at healthcare services with regards to hospital care and admissions, in association with Voluntary and Community Social Enterprise organisations. [Register here](#)

Cultural Events and talks by Calderdale Heritage Walks

As well as their [local history inspired walks](#), the Calderdale Heritage Walks group are hosting a series of talks and cultural events around Halifax. Please note face masks may well be essential at these events. [Event details](#)

Hue & Cry at Square Chapel 12 February, book now!

This is a not to be missed opportunity to watch two incredible musicians perform their 80's hits and latest tunes live on stage. [Book now!](#)

Healthy Minds Calderdale want your feedback on their services

We want to hear from you – what makes Healthy Minds what it is? What should we be aspiring towards? What are your experiences of Healthy Minds and what values do feel think we represent? [Share your views](#)

Sure Start Children's Centres recruiting now

North Halifax Partnership Sure Start Children's Centres are excited to be recruiting for qualified and unqualified early years practitioners to work in our Children's Centres in Calderdale. We have a variety of day/hours are currently available within our day care settings. [View vacancies](#)

Holocaust Memorial Day 2022 Commemoration Event

Calderdale Interfaith would like to invite you to their Holocaust Memorial Day online event on **Tuesday the 25th of January**. The event is hosted by Calderdale Interfaith, the Holocaust Survivors Friendship Association, and Calderdale College. [Attend the event](#)

Coronavirus Latest

Covid Key messages in response to the Omicron variant

New rules are now in place to help protect ourselves and others from the new COVID-19 variant Omicron. [Further read](#)

Coronavirus Update December 2021: New restrictions and booster vaccines

The Prime Minister has announced new rules to help protect ourselves and others from the new COVID-19 variant Omicron. [New rules overview](#)

Open letter from WYPartnership regarding Covid19 this winter

Health and care services across West Yorkshire, which include hospitals, GPs, the ambulance service, councils, mental health, community services and social care providers have come together to ask for your support as we head into what is likely to be the busiest and most challenging winter the sector has faced. [Read full article](#)

Vaccination Walk in Clinics around Calderdale

These clinics are subject to demand and deliver vaccinations on a first-come first-served basis. Booster jabs are not available at these walk-in clinics. [Find a clinic near you](#)

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](#)

Get Involved / Have Your Say

How to tap into unrestricted funding for your community organisation in 2022

Come along to this informal session to find out how your voluntary group, CIC, social enterprise, church, school, sports club or charity can benefit from unrestricted funding in 2022. [Full details](#)

The Calderdale Survey 2022

In Calderdale, and around the world, we've had a time like no other. As we look to rebuild in 2022, your views of our place really matter. They change where we're going and how we get there. If you're 16 or older and live here, please take a few minutes this January to tell us about your life in Calderdale. What is it like to live here right now? [Complete survey](#)

Mid Yorkshire Chamber Business Awards Ceremony

The invitation is open to all businesses, members or non-members of the Chamber, however for a business to be put forward for an award they do need to be members of the Mid Yorkshire Chamber. [Find out more](#)

Think you know Halifax? Think again.

Over £200 million of investment is coming to Halifax, and we're putting it to work already. It's an inspiring time for Halifax – [Discover your part in it](#)

Foster for Calderdale and make a difference

Foster carers are needed to care for children and young people of all ages, and this could be the perfect way to rethink your career or work-life balance and make a difference to a young person's life. [Could this be you?](#)

Support Halifax Society for the Blind with your Co-op membership

Members of the Co-op can now support Halifax Society for the Blind to raise funds to provide specialist cookery courses for local people living with sight loss. [Find out how](#)

Events Newsletters and What's On

Tree of Life 2 day Creative Writing Workshop

Healthy Minds Calderdale would like to invite you to their Creative Writing Workshop, titled Tree of Life. In this creative writing workshop you will be exploring your own personal stories and your unique journeys, using the metaphor of a tree's growth as a guide. [Join workshop](#)

Memory Lane Cafe dates for 2022 – Sowerby Bridge

Happy New Year from everyone at Memory Lane Cafe! Please find the dates for our cafes in 2022. We'll review things as 2022 progresses and will then, when circumstances are right, revert to our pre-COVID arrangements. [View dates](#)

Partnership invests £1million to help keep thousands of people warm

West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership (WY HCP) is investing £1million to help keep people warm this winter, so they can live a long, healthy life. [Full story](#)

Calderdale Forum 50 Plus Newsletter January 2022

With New Year's greetings, the newsletter brings news on courses at Calderdale College, water bottles from Yorkshire Priority Services, as well as information on activities, exercise and support groups. [To the newsletter](#)

Calderdale children to feature in a video by the Department for Education

During the December school holidays, children in Calderdale have been having so much fun trying new activities such as street surfing, canoeing, and learning how to build fires safely that they haven't had the opportunity to try before, that it has got the attention of the Department for Education who fund the programme and they have made a video about it. [View the video](#)

Monthly groups at Rastrick Library

Rastrick Library would like to invite you and your family to our recurring events. We have something for everyone, take a look! [List of events](#)

Winter Solstice Wishes from Curious Motion

Remember that this period is all about doing what is best for you and your mental health, and that can look completely different for each person. I've included some ideas around this below, plus there's info on activities to look forward to in the new year. [Read newsletter](#)

Santa-gram campaign brings Christmas cheer once more to Calderdale!

Home Instead Senior Care Calderdale's second Santa-gram campaign has been a great success, spreading Christmas cheer to elderly people across the local area. The home care company, which provides companionship, housekeeping and personal care to people in their own homes was overwhelmed by the result. [A great success](#)

NHS Healthy Start Scheme is going online

The Healthy Start scheme will become a digital service and will offer an online application process which replaces the current HS01A leaflet and paper application form. The digital scheme will introduce a prepaid card to be used for purchasing healthy food and milk, to replace the paper vouchers. [See what changes](#)

Partnership invests in care workers with immediate pay rise

West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership (WY HCP), an integrated care system, has agreed a £12million funding package to support staff in the independent care sector today at its Partnership Board (Tuesday 7 December). [Find out more](#)

Happy Birthday Staying Well !

It's been 7 years since Staying Well was formed and whilst they tiptoed around their birthday, we'd like to give them a round of applause for bringing a valuable service to Calderdale! [Congratulations!](#)

The Pulse Bulletin December CREW Heart Support Group newsletter

Welcome to CREW news! You will find details of surgery walks, exercise classes, information on the instructors, social events plus recipes and organisational announcements. [View bulletin here](#)

Calderdale Heritage Walks Winter schedule

After 2 years, the Calderdale Heritage Walks can now recommence. These walks take place on most Sundays and last 2-2 1/2 hours. The walks are open to all. [Read for more details](#)

Staying Well Newsletter Issue 14 Available

There is winter ready information, groups and activities, funding options and as always, help for anyone who may need someone to listen. [Read the newsletter](#)

Community Spirit Awards 2021 celebrates the best of Not-for-profits in Calderdale

As well as celebrating the Queens Award winners, it was great to meet in person and give the recognition to all of the finalists. [Find out who won here](#)

Grants and Funding

Free Carbon Dioxide Monitors for Voluntary & Community Groups and Settings

The public health team in Calderdale has funded a number of carbon dioxide monitors to help groups in the voluntary sector with covid safety measures. Infected people breathe out virus particles, which can build up in the air in enclosed spaces. [Check eligibility](#)

Calderdale VSI Alliance Specialist Support Grants – Closing 31st March 2022

Grants of up to £2,000 are now available for voluntary organisations in Calderdale for technical professional support to address a skills or knowledge gap in the organisation or address an immediate need for technical input to advance a project or service. [Apply here](#)

Lower Valley Ward Forum Grants

There is a small pot of grant funding available locally to help community groups, organisations and projects based or working in your Ward. Check [your eligibility](#)

Children & Young People

Join Time Out Calderdale network and take part in our meeting

If you work in any way with children and young adults in Calderdale, you may want to join the Time Out network, an organisation looking after the health and wellbeing of young people in our region. [Find out more](#)

YMCA School uniform exchange

The YMCA school uniform is once again operational. You are welcome to visit and find FREE, good quality school uniforms for Calderdale Primary and Secondary schools. [Details here](#)

Health and Wellbeing

Midday Me Time Walks near you every fortnight

A few minutes of walk a day are good for the body and spirit, so why not join a friendly, like minded group and take a walk not far from where you are? These walks are short in duration, open to all and if you fancy breaking up your day this could be an opportunity to stretch your legs and get some fresh air!

[Treat yourself](#)

NEW January – March 22 Recovery & Support Offer!

Our Recovery & Support team at Healthy Minds is excited to bring the people of Calderdale a new-and-improved offer of peer-support groups, drop-ins, activities, workshops and ‘Walks for Wellbeing’ in our January – March 2022 programme! [Booking information](#)

Helping you stay safe, well and Winter Wise

The latest version of the Winter Wise guide is being sent to all households in Calderdale, with updated advice on a range of topics to help support residents through the winter period. [Also available online](#)

VSI Alliance Winter Directory 2021/22

This directory is full of information about the diverse range of help and services available from the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) sector that can support you to have a safe, supported Winter. [Find useful information](#)

Together we can protect each other and stay well this winter

West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership (WY HCP) is all set to run an area wide ‘Together We Can’ campaign this winter. The campaign encourages people to choose well and to opt for convenient self-care, where safe to do so during the winter months. [Find out more](#)

Star Boxing Club is back with a new venue and new sponsors

Star Boxing Club has been revived and on November 29th 2021 welcomed old and new to its newly refurbished gym situated just below Halifax High School. With a full timetable there is something for everyone. [Get fit and have fun!](#)

Employment Training and Volunteering

Local RSPCA are on the lookout for Picture Perfect Pets!

The RSPCA Halifax, Huddersfield, Bradford & District Branch are once again hosting their annual ‘Picture Perfect Pet’ photo competition, with all entries being judged on ‘cuteness and all-around best image’. Competition runs from January 6th to January 18th with results announced on January the 20th.

[Put your best paw forward!](#)

Level 4 Public health intelligence apprenticeship vacancies

There are two posts available. Subject to confirmation, one trainee will complete placements in Wakefield Metropolitan District Council (based in Wakefield) then Bradford Metropolitan District Council (Bradford) and one trainee will complete placements in Kirklees Metropolitan Borough Council (Huddersfield) and Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council (Halifax). [Vacancy details](#)

Star Boxing club looking for ladies boxing and fitness coaches

Halifax Star Boxing Club are looking for Ladies interested in coaching Boxing Fitness. We will develop, train and help you attain England Boxing Coaching badges for free and in return you will assist/lead coaching training sessions to children and adults. We have a specific need for delivery to our Ladies Only Classes. [Could this be you?](#)

Online LAB Confidence, Communication and Teamwork course

We have all faced uncertain situations this year. This is a time for re – assessment: take 2 weeks to ‘re-boot’, develop confidence for online learning, for any group or potentially challenging situation such as interviews. [Find out more](#)

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](#)

- [Newground Youth Team Project Officer Vacancy – Closing Jan 16](#)
- [Level 4 Public health intelligence apprenticeship vacancies – Closing Jan 21](#)
- [Sure Start Children’s Centres recruiting – Closing Jan 28](#)
- [Work with Calderdale Libraries – before March 2022](#)
- [Care staff with Bluebird Care – Ongoing](#)
- [Carer support worker with making space – 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?

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- ★ **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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