

LOWER VALLEY Friday Flyer

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LV Friday Flyer – 13 May 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

Mental Health Awareness Week 2022 : #IveBeenThere

Loneliness is affecting more and more of us in the UK and has had a huge impact on our physical and mental health during the pandemic. Our connection to other people and our community is fundamental to protecting our mental health and we need to find better ways of tackling the epidemic of loneliness. We can all play a part in this. [Get involved](#)

Partnership encourages all to check in with their mates to prevent suicide

The campaign aims to raise awareness of the risk factors that may lead to suicide, inspiring people to start conversations about mental health with the men in their life at home, in the community and at work. It sets out practical help we can all give when checking-in. [Get involved](#)

VSI Alliance Update 13 May 2022

This newsletter provides the VSI Alliance full training programme of 2022/2023, offers links to several help and support sources, has links for consultations, events, funding, jobs and volunteering. [Read the updates here](#)

Protecting Calderdale's countryside and communities

Calderdale Council's Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO) have been compiled in partnership with organisations including the Police and Fire Service, as we work together to keep communities safe and protect the environment. We are now reviewing these orders and are asking local people to have their say on the proposed changes. [Read more](#)

5 day Remote/Online Digital Skills course – Android Tablet on Completion

This is a remote course where you will study from home, you will receive help and guidance from a tutor. [Application details](#)

easyfundraising Funding webinar – Wednesday 25th May, 12.30pm

Suitable for all non-profit organisations, CICs, social enterprises, sports clubs, schools, churches, charities, village halls and groups, come along to find out how it works and how to get set up. This is a friendly, informal session where you can ask questions and meet other fundraisers too. [Book your place](#)

Platinum Jubilee Art Competition deadline June 6th

To celebrate how art can boost wellbeing, Calderdale Adult Learning are holding an art competition based around the theme of 'Platinum Jubilee.' Prizes include art supplies, shopping vouchers and CAL course discounts. [Take part!](#)

Mayor's Safer Communities Fund back apply by June 10th

Tracy Brabin, Mayor of West Yorkshire has opened the latest round of her Mayor's Safer Communities Fund with £270,000 in grants available to apply for. The fund is financed by money recovered from criminals under the Proceeds of Crime Act within the county by West Yorkshire Police's Economic Crime Unit and prosecutors. [Further read](#)

Elland Spring Craft Fair May 22 at Working Mens Club

Come to the Spring Craft Fair on Sunday the 22nd of May at Elland Working Men's Club to enjoy a fun afternoon of arts, crafts, stalls and delicious food! [More details](#)

Integrated Care Board (Shadow) meeting on Tuesday 17 May 11am

The board, which is part of West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership (WY HCP), works together to join up health and care services, to improve the health and wellbeing of 2.4million people living across the area and to reduce health inequalities. [Meeting details](#)

Pension Credit top up to help with living Costs

Do you or a family member get a State Pension? An estimated £6.8 million of unclaimed Pension Credit is unclaimed in Calderdale*. We want to encourage every one of State Pension age to check their eligibility, even if they don't think they need any additional support. [Check your eligibility](#)

First Companionship Cafe in Morrisons Elland May 10th

We attended the first ever meeting of the Compassion Cafe run by Home Instead at the Elland Morrisons cafe. It was a good turnout, enjoying several interesting conversations, amusing quick games, a short but demanding trivia quiz, all in a cozy atmosphere with plenty of tea and coffee and of course biscuits! [Sounds like your cup of tea?](#)

Partnership appoints non-executive independent members for new way of working

West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership (WY HCP), an integrated care system, has confirmed the appointments of non-executive independent members and local place committee chairs for the NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB). [Read more](#)

CCG Calderdale COVID-19 Vaccination Programme Update – May 2022

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 latest messages](#)

Calderdale Forum 50 Plus Newsletter May 2022

You will find information of upcoming Jubilee Celebrations in Calderdale and more events and activities for you to participate. There are also details of health and wellbeing support groups available as well as resources for help with finances and practical matters. [To the newsletter](#)

Vita Health Group on Combatting Loneliness and Mental Health Awareness Week

We know that our connection to other people and our community is paramount to protecting our mental health, and as such, we all need to work together to find better ways to tackle loneliness, both within ourselves and within others. Because reducing loneliness is a major step towards a healthier society. [Find out more](#)

Get Involved / Have Your Say

Join Calderdale Forum 50+ and be the voice for older people in Calderdale

This is an exciting time for the Forum as the council has recently committed to making Calderdale an “ageing well” region. With more than a third of residents now aged over 50, the role of the Forum will become more important in future years. [Find out more](#)

West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service public consultation

Currently we are undergoing a public consultation on our new 3 year Community Risk Management Plan. The plan covers what our strategic priorities and areas focus are and how we will ensure we meet our ambition of ‘Making West Yorkshire Safer’. [Take the survey](#)

Become an Engagement Champion to benefit your organisation

In a nutshell, the Engagement Champions programme is about capturing the views of local people and communities, especially those who are seldom heard, specifically in relation to health. [Could it be you?](#)

Calderdale Forum 50 Plus service survey

Our aim is to provide the over 50 population of Calderdale and their families and friends with information and advice to make their lives easier and now we’d like to hear what you think of our website and our newsletters. [Complete survey](#)

Events Newsletters and What’s On

Calderdale Big Band Tea Dance Saturday May 14

You are invited to the Big Band Tea Dance in the Arden Road Social Club on Saturday May 14th. Afternoon tea will be provided. Admission is free but booking is essential. [Reserve your place](#)

Phoenix Bowmen invite you to have a go at Archery! – May 14th

Ever wanted to try archery? The opportunity may be just a... stone’s throw away! Halifax’s own Phoenix Bowmen, based at Halifax Rugby Club are holding an archery taster session. The session is open to adults and children over 6 years old. [Come have a go!](#)

Cromwell Bottom Wildlife Group Spring/Summer Newsletter

Much is happening at the Cromwell Bottom Nature Reserve in Elland from connecting with local education centres to promoting the Reserve with organisations supporting mental health and wellbeing. Learn more about the residents of the reserve, activities including the moth trapping (no moths are harmed during this!) and spotlight on some of the people that make this place what it is. [Find out more](#)

Project Colt Recovery summer service free support groups

[Project Colt](#) is here to offer you support with a series of group sessions. These groups are open to anyone between 18 and 70. All of the groups are free to attend and we provide drinks and refreshments free of charge for all participants. [See what’s available](#)

OUR NEWS Neighbourhood Watch newsletter – May 2022 edition

Welcome to the May edition of OUR NEWS. This month it features articles on online safety, Neighbourhood Watch insights survey, Neighbourhood Watch Week, protecting your car, partner offers and more. [To the newsletter](#)

Memory Lane Gets Back to full-length afternoon cafe sessions

From the start of May 2022 we revert to our pre-COVID arrangement of afternoon-only sessions (1.30-4pm). These run for two and a half hours – just as we did before COVID. We want to make the most of this extra half hour – so we're asking all of our members what they'd like to do. [View café opening hours](#)

Buggy Battles, Imagineers, Industrial Sewing, Repair Cafes and Many Events

Noisy Toys, the enterprising team behind Halifax's resident Robot Wars have a bucketload of events and happenings for you. There is a video featuring the lockdown buggy battles which is extremely amusing and worth your while! [See what's on](#)

April News from Healthy Minds!

Spring is officially here! A time of new beginnings and fast growth, our teams have been working hard to bring the people of Calderdale quality mental health support. [To the newsletter](#)

Time Out's April newsletter

Find out how their Easter Holiday activities went in ***An Eggcellent Easter Holiday!*** and more information about the ***Underlands Exhibition*** showcasing the artwork of the children attending. [To the newsletter](#)

Spring Classes & Workshops from Curious Motion

I hope you enjoyed the bank holiday weekend. If you're looking for something to help get back into the swing of things, we've got lots of options! Our classes and workshops start back this week – hope to see you there! [Find out what's happening](#)

New beginnings for the blog and Friday Flyer...

A new layout and structure are being considered. We will shortly be bringing out a questionnaire for your feedback. [See what else there is](#)

Staying Well community event outcome March 30th

On the 30th March, our Lower Valley Staying Well Workers linked with Healthy Minds and Focus 4 Hope to deliver an event in Brighouse, showcasing local community provision as well as developing a chance for community consultation. Community stalls included the Memory Lane Cafe, The Space at Field lane, Cromwell Bottom Nature Reserve and much more... [click here for a full report of the event...](#)

Keep up to date with what is happening at CFFC

There is a lot happening at CFFC, we are welcoming new donors, we are giving out lots of grants, and we are recruiting. We've been busy building on our existing Committees and supporters and are back out there in the community connecting people. It's great to be feeling a sense of getting back to 'normal' whilst still being careful. [To the newsletter](#)

65th Halifax Charity Gala on Saturday 11th June announced

The entire event is organised and run by volunteers, helping to fundraise for local voluntary and charitable organisations. Halifax Charity Gala is a great opportunity for local organisations, services and charities to showcase their work to the public. [Purchase tickets](#)

Communities affected by the conflict in Ukraine in Yorkshire and Humber – updated

We have updated our briefing on 'Communities affected by the conflict in Ukraine in Yorkshire and Humber', extending the original list of selected countries of birth to include Hungary, Romania and Slovakia. [View Report here](#)

New and updated West Yorkshire Community Alert

Community Alert is a system West Yorkshire Police has been using since 2019, allowing officers across the county to update the public direct with news, updates and appeals on matters that are happening on their doorstep. [See what's new](#)

Calderdale's flooding website has had an upgrade!

The site has been completely transformed to better support businesses and residents across the borough. The changes have been developed with feedback from local people and partners and include a range of new features to improve functionality and make it more user-friendly. [See what's new](#)

Don't 'leave a gap' in our workforce, Partnership urges

During the pandemic, reports of abuse directed at doctors' surgery staff and community pharmacy teams across West Yorkshire have increased. The campaign reminds people we're all here to help each other and the importance of all round understanding and kindness. [Read more](#)

easyfundraising pledges support to the British-Ukrainian Aid

Funding platform **easyfundraising** has pledged to **#StandWithUkraine** and double every donation raised through their site for **British-Ukrainian Aid** for the next 6 months. [Read more](#)

Grants and Funding

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](#)

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

Sure Start Summer Term courses and activities

Our Summer term courses and activities are live on the website for booking. This term we have some new courses – Art and Creative Play, Healthy Cooking on a Budget, Smashing Parenting (aimed at the early years) and Budget Like a Boss as well as the popular favourites. [See what's available](#)

Game in Mind 5-a-side football sessions for boys 14-17 years

Invictus Wellbeing and FC Halifax Town are planning a new pilot initiative aimed at boys aged 14-17 year old. Football and Coaching will be led by Halifax Town and their professional coaching team whilst Invictus Wellbeing will provide its interventions through highly skilled and qualified mental health professionals. [Join the program](#)

Health and Wellbeing

Calderdale Covid Vaccine Engagement Report March 2022

We wanted to give people the opportunity to help influence how we shape the operational delivery of the vaccine delivery model in Calderdale and the messages we share; through understanding and learning what the public views are of the COVID vaccine and understanding any concerns or misinformation that people may have heard. [Access report](#)

Future NHS provide translated materials and vaccination consent forms

The Future NHS website now provides translated materials page for the Covid Vaccine. This includes UKHSA consent forms for vaccinating minors. To access these you need to be registered with NHS futures. [How you can access](#)

West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership publishes new five-year strategy for suicide prevention

In order to bring suicide rates down and reduce preventable death, the Strategy aims to make sure everyone plays a part. This includes citizens, voluntary and community sector organisations, the NHS, local authorities, employers, emergency services, and others. [Full story](#)

Calderdale Staying Safe Domestic Abuse Support is here for you

If you are 16 or over, female or male and have experienced any form of Domestic Abuse, Calderdale Staying Safe can be of assistance. Our service is free and confidential, regardless of sexual orientation, gender, disability, religion or ethnic origin... [more...](#)

NHS Childhood MMR vaccination campaign 2022

The NHS and Public Health England encourage parents to get their children vaccinated against measles, mumps and rubella. [Full information](#)

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](#)

Employment Training and Volunteering

Do Your Own Thing May/June start your own business course

Are you female, unemployed, living in West Yorkshire and have the right to live and work in the UK? If you have an idea for a business and need some guidance on how to get it off the ground, this 14 week online course may be just the place to start. [Register your interest](#)

Flavourfest – A taste of Local Market life in Calderdale

Try out your business idea this June in the low-risk space of a market with the support of the friendly and experienced markets team. Any Calderdale-based food business is able to apply for a market stall, including market stall holders. [Join #Flavourfest](#)

Remote/Online courses for Residents of West Yorkshire with Jobskilla

Please see the remote/online courses details we have available for residents of West Yorkshire. Referrals can be done online via completing the enquiry for form or alternatively by emailing us. [View courses](#)

NHP and Sure Start Children's Centres recruiting – May 18

North Halifax Partnership (NHP) 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 roles available. [View available roles](#)

Take a virtual walk to Aachen and support Happy Days homeless charity

It is 520 miles to Aachen, Halifax's twin town and we think that together we are up for the challenge! Everyone is welcome to join. [Come walk with us!](#)

Spring Update from Jill Webb Training

Take a look at the spring update from Jill Web Training who offers a number of courses including Safeguarding, Food Safety, First Aid and a range of courses tailored to parents and families. There are limited places remaining on a First Aid course in June 2022 of which details can be found within this update... [more...](#)

New courses available from Calderdale LAB Project

The LAB project will be running two Employability courses between April and May. For the upcoming April course there is an enrolment day on the 14th of April, at The Wellington Rooms. [Further details](#)

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](#)

- [NHP and Sure Start Children's Centres recruiting – May 18](#)
- [Senior Early Years Practitioner – Room Leader – May 23](#)
- [Making Space are looking for Volunteers](#)
- [Care staff with Bluebird Care – 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

*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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