

## LV Friday Flyer – 18 November 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

### Christmas Events

Find them all at the Christmas Event section!

#### Annual Faith Celebration Thursday, 24th November 2022 at Halifax Town Hall

Calderdale Interfaith Council invite you to the Annual Faith Celebration at Halifax Town Hall.

Refreshments will be available and there will be song and dance performances from different groups.

[Come along](#)

#### Together in Motion from Curious Motion

Welcome to the latest news bulletin from Curious Motion. Find words of inspiration and look what they have in store for the winter months. Join them in new ventures or take part in their popular recurring sessions, such as Rhythm and Brews! [Read the Latest](#)

#### Police Information Appeal relating into Firearms discharges in Halifax

Detectives are appealing for witnesses as enquiries continue into linked firearms discharges in Halifax.

Information can also be given in complete anonymity to the independent Crimestoppers charity on 0800 555 111. [Can you help?](#)

#### Bertie's Top Tips for a warmer, healthier home – Calderdale Council

If you live in Calderdale, you could be eligible for FREE\* home improvements to increase the efficiency of your property. The Housing & Green Economy team of Calderdale Council are at hand to help you keep warm and find affordable solutions to reduce your energy bills and live cost effectively. [See what's available](#)

#### \*CALL TO ACTION\* VSI Alliance VCSE Winter Directory 2022/23

The VSI Alliance are producing a Calderdale Winter Directory of all the Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Sector support and services available to individuals over the Winter months. This may be promoting part of your regular service delivery or it may be Winter specific work the VCSE are providing. [Get in touch](#)

## **A note from the editor : Lest We Forget**

Remembrance Sunday felt a bit forgotten this year. Since we didn't really make a lot of mention of events, please take a look at pictures from the laying of wreaths at the Cenotaph outside Halifax Minster. [Overview of the ceremony](#)

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

### **New fellows sought to help improve population health in West Yorkshire**

West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership's Improving Population Health Fellowship is back for a second year and is looking for more fellows to help make a positive difference. [Find out more](#)

### **Vote for Britain's Favourite Market 2023 by December 13**

Voting has opened for **Britain's Favourite Market 2023** which starts as a public online vote. Spread the word and see if we can get one of our amazing Calderdale markets to the top the poll! [Vote for Britain's Favourite Market](#)

### **Lower Valley Ward Forum Dates**

Please find the dates for the next Ward Forums taking place in the Lower Valley area. [View dates](#)

### **Cost of Living Crisis help available : Gov.uk**

The Government is *offering* cost of living support to every household. Find out more today. There is help for every household. Find out what cost of living support you can get today.

### **Calderdale Draft Climate Action Plan Consultation**

Lots of brilliant work is already underway to tackle climate change but we must go further and faster if we are to meet our target of Net Zero emissions by 2038. Our draft Climate Action Plan is here to make sure that happens. [Join consultation](#)

### **Greener Together Workforce Development Programme**

We will be running seven unique sessions for community workers, youth leaders and anyone involved in delivering community sessions for residents of Calderdale. These will run in conjunction with Todmorden Green Skills College. [Find out more](#)

### **Give your community a voice! Engagement Champions next cohort**

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. [This is where you come in!](#)

## **Christmas Events**

### **Halifax Society for the Blind Christmas Fair November 26**

There will be stalls including a cake stall, tombola, raffle and a stall selling products from our Sight Centre. Alongside this we are pleased to be joined by Black Cat Hampers, Knot Paper Scissors, Sulky Fox and YveJaye Crafts who will all be selling their lovely handmade Christmas gifts. [Come along!](#)

## **The magic of Christmas at Halifax Minster**

This Christmas the Halifax Minster brings a series of festive Carol concerts and their unique, spectacular Christmas Tree event, where the Minster will be decorated with several beautiful Christmas trees. Join us in celebrating the (probably) most wonderful time of the year! [View Events](#)

## **Comfort and Joy : An evening of Carols with local musicians supporting Healthy Minds**

Enjoy the sounds of Christmas performed by talented local performers of all ages. The inspirational Elland Silver Youth Band will be there along with the award-winning Bradshaw School Choir. Young choristers from the Minster choir will also be making an appearance, filling the Minster with their good cheer. Supporting these young performers will be the joyful and amazing performances from other musical locals. [Don't miss this!](#)

## **Square Chapel presents Carols concert with the Cube Choir December 9th**

The Cube Choir will be performing Songs of Peace and Joy of Christmas at the Square Chapel for the Arts this year. They will sing Christmas favourite songs for everyone to enjoy and have some festive cheer. [Booking details](#)

## **Staying Well with Curious motion : Carols and a mince pie December 12**

Staying Well and Curious motion invite you to join us for a little Christmas get together to get into the festive spirit! We will be singing Christmas Carols and enjoy a mince pie (or more!) with a cuppa, discussing anything we would like to share. [Join us!](#)

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

### **New Lightcliffe Cricket Club premises in 2023 inviting community and voluntary groups**

We are reaching out to community groups who may be interested in using our new pavilion. It will be it accessible inside and out, with a free car park, accessible toilets and patio at ground level. The interior will be modern, comfortable and bright, with an eco-sustainable heating system, LED lighting and free WiFi. [Further details](#)

### **Carers Rights Day Event November 25 with Making Space**

Making Space Calderdale would like to invite you to their Carers Rights Day Event. The event is a market place information and advice session and our theme is planning for the future. [Find out more](#)

### **Calderdale Creates Launch Event November 1 and Events schedule**

After delivering Calderdale's new Cultural Strategy, 'Where Creativity Flows', it's now time to start developing detailed plans to strengthen, energise and grow our cultural sector so we can maximise our impact and deliver on the strategy. [How you can join](#)

### **Focus 4 Hope Charity Fashion Show November 19 at St John the Divine**

We'll have a range models in all sizes to walk the catwalk and show the amazing clothes on offer. Proceeds Help us raise vital funds to feed our community in need this winter. [Book your ticket!](#)

### **Calderdale Community Spirit Awards Celebration 24 November 2022**

We celebrate another year of amazing efforts by our local charitable organisations. Whether you are a Not-for-profit organisation celebrating your achievements, someone who works with charities, or perhaps a trustee or donor, we would love for you to join us. [Book tickets](#)

## **Whitworth bistro and cafe now open to the public**

Whitworth Catering Company would like to welcome you to their bistro and coffee shop now open to the public. [Take a look](#)

## **Neighbourhood Watch's national online shop is now open!**

We are thrilled to open our first-ever online shop selling official Neighbourhood Watch branded merchandise. As an independent national charity, your support in the shop will enable us to offer customers the best prices possible and expand the range of items in store. [Visit the online shop](#)

## **Dark Matter Promotions upcoming events at the Golden Lion in Todmorden**

Please find the headlines of all Dark Matter Promotions events taking place at the Golden Lion pub in Todmorden. [Events Calendar](#)

## **RSPCA calling all local detectives! Who dunnit?**

The tour is a murder mystery trail taking in clues from around Halifax Town Centre that will finally reveal the answer to 'whodunnit'. The walk is accessible to all and can be done at your own pace. It may even introduce you to sights of Halifax you've not seen before! [It was the butler...](#)

# **Newsletters**

## **VSI Alliance Update 18 November 2022**

Read the latest updates from the VSI alliance. You will find information on local events and available training, job opportunities and volunteering options. The newsletter also highlights current campaigns and consultations. [Read the updates here](#)

## **Calderdale Forum 50 Plus Newsletter – November's news & upcoming events**

Calderdale Forum 50+ newsletter has current, useful information for the over 50s population of Calderdale and more. You will find a list of activities, helpful resources and coverage of current events. [To the newsletter](#)

## **Carers Wellbeing Service Newsletter Autumn-Winter 2022**

There is information around Cost of Living, Carers updates and events, support services and contact information for useful organisations. You will also find a wealth of activities and helpful workshops taking place throughout the term. [To the newsletter](#)

## **September/October News from Healthy Minds!**

Although we say goodbye to Recovery & Support, we know there is still so much in our future at Healthy Minds, and we will continue to work towards our mission to improve the wellbeing for everyone in Calderdale. [Read newsletter here](#)

# **Grants and Funding**

## **Donations to be won each day for good causes with easyfundraising**

Play Spin to Win with easyfundraising, and your voluntary organisation, charity, or CIC could win up to £50 every day between 31 October – 13 November when staff members and volunteers spin the wheel. [Find out more](#)

## **CFFC launches new programme of funding for Youth Social Action**

CFFC is proud to be distributing the latest round of #iwill funding in Calderdale made possible thanks to the National Lottery Community Fund and DCMS. Grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available to fund projects to inspire 10–14-year-olds to get involved in social action. [Get involved](#)

## **Mayor of West Yorkshire urges community organisations to apply for biggest funding pot yet**

Groups across West Yorkshire that are helping to end the scourge of violence in the region are being urged to step forward and apply for the Mayor's Safer Communities Fund. [Find out more](#)

## **Exclusive £1,000 giveaway for the third sector**

easyfundraising is committed to helping our sector flourish, especially as we go through challenging times. To help ease the hardship the third sector is facing, they are giving away £500 to one organisation and £100 to five organisations. [Full details](#)

## **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 and Young People**

## **Message from Halifax YMCA regarding primary school uniforms**

The Halifax YMCA have temporarily suspended taking in any more Primary School uniforms due to lack of storage space, thanks to generous donations. They would welcome more people to come forward to take the uniforms that they already have. [Get a free uniform](#)

## **New 'Choose Well for Mental Health' guide helps local young people find the right support**

The 'choose well for mental health' guide helps children and young people, under the age of 18, find the right service for their mental health and wellbeing needs. Parents, carers, families and friends can also use the guide to look out for children and young people close to them and help them get the right support and advice. [Further read](#)

## **Shining Rainbows activities near you starting this November!**

Shining Rainbows Parent and Toddler Group, a group for children in and around Calderdale with additional needs, are delighted to announce their exciting new classes near you! The group holds regular safe space sessions for parents and toddlers with additional needs to have fun and socialise. [Find out more](#)

## Health and Wellbeing

### **Advice Drop In Sessions for Women dealing with Domestic Abuse at the Women Centre**

Free Drop In sessions for Women every Wednesday 10-12noon at the Women Centre. These drop-in sessions focus on Domestic abuse support, Safety advice, Link to legal advice. For more information or to make an appointment please call us. [Find out more](#)

### **Greener Together short walks for women in winter 2022**

WomenCentre are there for women who may be on limited income with help to approach living more sustainably, running short walks, taster sessions and short courses to introduce sustainability, looking at reducing costs, sustainable shopping and saving energy in the home. You will receive environmentally friendly goodies too at each session! [Take part](#)

### **UKHSA warns parents not to miss children's vaccinations**

The UK Health Security Agency is urging parents and guardians to ensure their children are up to date with all their routine childhood immunisations including polio and measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccinations. [Get up to date](#)

### **Get your flu and Covid jabs booked and be winter ready**

With flu season nearly upon us and COVID-19 continuing to circulate, we are encouraging you to protect yourself and others from serious illness at this critical time. The COVID-19 booster and the flu vaccine can be given on the same day. We advise that you get each vaccine as soon as you can, rather than wait to get both. [Learn more](#)

### **The Better Living Service can help you lead a healthier life**

Would you like to improve your health and wellbeing? Do you feel you need some support to get started? The Better Living Service are here to do just that! We support the residents of Calderdale (aged 18+) to lose weight, become more active and reduce alcohol consumption. [Get in touch](#)

## Employment Training and Volunteering

### **Landscape Course qualification with Newground Greener Together**

An opportunity to receive a Landscaping qualification through Greener Together Newground for residents of Calderdale aged 16-65. This course is a City and Guild Level 1 Introduction into Facilities Service. [Find out more](#)

### **NHP and Sure Start Children's Centres recruiting – November 30th**

Our Children's centres are exciting places to work. All the staff are committed to supporting their local communities to provide high quality learning for children. We provide an excellent working environment where children and staff thrive. [View vacancies](#)

### **Advice and Guidance Drop-in every second Monday at Elland Children's Centre**

North Halifax Partnership along with Halifax Opportunities Trust are bringing advice and guidance sessions in our Sure Start Children's centres around employment and applying for jobs, support with applying for universal credit and signposting to specialist services around mental health, debt and much more. [See how we can help](#)

## Become a virtual volunteer for Luv2MeetU

Can you run a drama workshop, music event, gaming session or quiz on-line? Or another workshop/event with your own unique skills and interests? Could you give one slot a week or month to run your own virtual activity to provide the people we support with an ever growing rich and varied on- line experience? [Volunteer with us!](#)

## Have you thought about a career in Early Years?

The preferred candidate must have a good sense of humour and a good imagination. Knowledge of aliens, superheroes and children's characters would be advantageous. And you must be prepared to distribute hugs when needed, ensuring children feel special and loved. [No other job quite like it!](#)

## Could you become a Staying Well Telephone Befriender?

Sometimes you want a brew and someone to talk to. No qualification or experience is needed for the role – it helps if you are empathetic, reliable, can listen well and have good banter! Induction and training will be provided and you will be supported every step of the way. [Could this be you?](#)

## 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](#)

- [Marketing Officer with Healthy Minds Calderdale – Nov 21](#)
- [NHP and Sure Start Children's Centres recruiting – Nov 30](#)
- [Staying Well Worker – Nov 30](#)

## 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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