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Latest News

Think WIDEN to prevent burglary

We have joined forces with our longstanding primary smart security partner, ERA Home Security, to bring you our Think WIDE(N) burglary prevention campaign highlighting the simple, evidence-based WIDE measures which can be taken in any home on a variety of budgets. [Learn more](#)

Free Diploma in Childcare or Health & Social Care in your Local Community!

Gain a degree in your local community without having to travel to College! Course runs one day a week, within 16 sessions. All coursework is completed in class. [Further details](#)

Support for all dealing with domestic abuse from Calderdale Staying Safe

Our service is free and confidential, regardless of sexual orientation, gender, disability, religion or ethnic origin. A diverse, experienced and skilled staff of female and male advisers is here to listen and where necessary, signpost you to the right organisations. [Don't suffer in silence](#)

CREW Heart Support guided walks for wellbeing

All walks are guided. Join and give yourself the opportunity for gentle exercise, socialising and enjoying the outdoors in a safe, friendly environment. [Join us!](#)

Calderdale Cares Careers recruitment fairs Jan 25th and Feb 4

Are you looking for a new role in social care? This event will allow people to learn about career options directly from employers and professionals. In addition, this event will showcase the educational pathways and explain the skills needed to pursue different careers in the sector. [Drop in and find out](#)

OUR NEWS Neighbourhood Watch newsletter – January 2023 Edition

This edition covers articles on the new government emergency alerts system, how to prevent burglary and protect your friends from romance fraud, understanding 'secured by design', offers from Patlock and Avast, how to avoid Amazon scams, how to find a trusted locksmith and more. [To the newsletter](#)

Eye on Calderdale – your one stop website for up to date information about flooding in Calderdale.

The website provides a map of all the areas of Calderdale including some surrounding areas, indicating current flood risks. There are several resources for dealing with floods, its impacts and useful numbers for when you need them. [Take a look](#)

Have your say on how health services are delivered across West Yorkshire by Feb 20th

NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board is asking people and communities to come forward and share their views on how health services should be delivered to them locally, and across West Yorkshire. [More information here](#)

New Year New Us – Healthy Minds Winter Taster Fayre – January 27th

Come chat with our volunteers and staff about what our NEW Warm Space Drop Ins, Volunteer-Led groups and Befriending Service can offer you or the people you work with. Enjoy some warming food and drink and take part in yoga, mindfulness, allotment and arts & crafts taster sessions. [Come along!](#)

VSI Alliance: Voluntary Sector Open Day

If you're looking for a career in the VCSE sector, this will be the perfect opportunity to meet local VCSE Organisations and find out about volunteering opportunities across Calderdale. No need to book in advance, you can just drop in. [Event details](#)

Find a Warm Space near you in Calderdale

All the Warm Spaces listed are registered with Calderdale Council. Does your organisation provide a Warm Space service? You can register your details through this portal and ensure your local community is aware of it. [Take a look](#)

Get Involved / Have Your Say

Meet the funder : Free funding webinar from easyfundraising – January 24th

Is your voluntary organisation looking for unrestricted funding? Come along to this informal session to find out how your voluntary group, CIC, social enterprise, church, school, sports club or charity can use the free easyfundraising platform to receive donations unrestricted funding when your volunteers, staff and supporters shop with leading retailers. [More information](#)

Calderdale Resident Perception Survey Vision 2024 – complete by January 31st

The Vision 2024 annual survey is now live and you are invited to complete it. The survey looks at areas of life in Calderdale that are largely absent from official statistics that could help shape future policy and planning. [Complete survey](#)

Police information Request for potential firearm discharge on New Year's Eve

A scene is currently in place in **James Street, Elland** in relation to a potential firearm discharge on New Year's Eve. Anyone who witnessed any part of the incident or who has any information that could assist the investigation is asked to contact Calderdale District CID. [Can you help?](#)

Commercial concessions for the 65th Halifax Charity Gala now open!

The Halifax Gala committee are pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for commercial concessions for the next Halifax Charity Gala on Saturday 10th June 2023. [Apply here](#)

Rastrick Pole-to-Pole New Challenge for a New Year!

Following the success of the Rastrick Around the World Challenge, we are delighted to announce that we have an exciting new challenge planned for the new year! Once again we will be asking the residents of Rastrick to move their way around the globe in the Rastrick Pole-to-Pole Challenge! [More information](#)

Winter Wise Booklet Feedback request

Residents of Calderdale you should have received a Winter Wise booklet through the post, packed with useful advice on how to stay well, travel safely, protect your home and find out about the support available to help with the cost of living increases. [Share your thoughts](#)

“Our time is now” – Plan launched to improve safety of women and girls across West Yorkshire

The safety of women and girls in West Yorkshire is Mayor Tracy Brabin’s top priority, she said as she unveiled a plan to bring about societal change and end generations of injustice.

[Further read](#)

Would you like to be featured on The Yorkshire Auction House?

[STV Studios](#), the makers of *The Yorkshire Auction House* TV Series are currently working on a new series of the show and are looking for people who are downsizing, moving, or have a house to clear, and are happy to be filmed for the new series. Whatever your situation, they’d love to hear from you! [Find out more](#)

Events and What’s On

Anne Lister of Halifax: arch-traditionalist or ‘first modern lesbian’? Jan 21st

Halifax Civic Trust invite you to a talk about our local historic celebrity, Anne Lister of Shibden Hall, led by Dr Jill Liddington. We are holding this fund-raising talk in conjunction with Jill, a member of Halifax Civic Trust, and afterwards there will be a book signing of *Female Fortune*. [Book tickets](#)

Crew Heart Support New Year’s Annual Lunch January 23rd

CREW Heart Support Club will be holding their Annual Lunch at Pollino’s. The lunch is open to your family and friends, it was a great success last year, let’s see if we can repeat it! [Book your place](#)

Holocaust Memorial Day January 25th at Calderdale College

Calderdale College will be hosting the annual Holocaust memorial Day event, on Wednesday 25 January, working in partnership with Calderdale Council, Calderdale Interfaith, Holocaust Center North, and the Holocaust Survivors friendship association. [Event details](#)

New opportunities to move and connect in Elland with Curious Motion

January can be a challenging time of year for our mental health and overall wellbeing. Curious Motion classes and workshops are designed to help you feel more connected to yourself, others, and your local community, release stress and worries, and utilise movement to refresh and restore your body and mind. [Try them out!](#)

Knitting group at Project Colt in Elland every Friday morning

We are looking for ladies (or gentlemen!!) to join our knitting circle to knit some teddies for Zarach, a charity that provides and delivers beds and basics to children in Poverty. [Join our group!](#)

Ladies Self Esteem Course Monday / Thursday at Project Colt

Do you wish you could be more assertive? Would you like greater awareness of your needs? Would you like to develop your communication skills? This group may be just the thing for you! [Get in touch](#)

New defibrillators to help save lives in Calderdale

The Community CPR Fund and Calderdale Council have teamed up to install 10 new defibrillators across the borough. They have been gifted to local organisations that support the Healthy Holidays programme. [Read further](#)

A Visit to Cromwell Bottom Nature Reserve with Active Calderdale

For those who don't know where Cromwell Bottom Nature Reserve is or want to know exactly what to expect before visiting, Cromwell Bottom Wildlife Group, working with Active Calderdale and Accessible Calderdale Access Forum have created two self-guided walking booklets and a video. [Prepare to be amazed!](#)

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 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](#)

Newsletters

Calderdale Forum 50 Plus January events, news, social groups & gatherings

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. [Read the newest here](#)

Calderdale Heritage Walks winter newsletter, Jan 2023

Here is our winter newsletter with an update on what's happening at Calderdale Heritage Walks until the end of March. [Find one near you](#)

November/December News from Healthy Minds!

Comfort and Joy carol concert at the minster, volunteering options within Healthy Minds, social gatherings at central office and Todmorden, AGM and Winter warmer, their all new Radio Show and employment opportunities! [Read newsletter here](#)

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](#)

Grants and Funding

Calderdale Council: Community Small Grants Scheme

Grants will be awarded to projects that help achieve the Council's priorities to create strong, thriving towns and places, reduce inequalities and tackle the climate emergency. [Check eligibility](#)

The Locala Community Fund 2022/23 open for applications! by January 27th

The Community Fund is part of our social enterprise commitment investing any profits back into services or community projects and helps projects that support Locala's Better Lives Strategy and contribute towards one or more of our Social Value Pledges. [Find out more](#)

Boost your organisation's earnings with easyfundraising

What are your fundraising goals this year? A new project? Improved facilities? Core costs? Volunteer training? Whatever you need funding for, make sure fundraising platform easyfundraising is a part of your strategy. [Read further](#)

Individual Hardship Funds list of funding and support resources

The following lists of organisations may be able to offer help and support to those struggling with the cost of living. Please note, you can only apply to some of those through a charity or a supporting organisation. If you are receiving help, please pass this information to your adviser. [Take a look](#)

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.

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

Winter Wise 2022/2023 booklet to every Calderdale Household

If you live in Calderdale, look out for your Winter Wise booklet coming through your door, jam packed with useful advice and contact details that will support you through the colder months. [Stay Winter Wise](#)

Easy Street Darker nights Burglary prevention Police campaign

There are simple, smart, cost effective ways to make your house less appealing to burglars. As the nights are longer and it gets darker earlier, West Yorkshire Police encourage you to review the security of your home. [Be safe this winter](#)

Support for Women dealing with domestic abuse from Calderdale Staying Safe

The WomenCentre is here to help Women and Girls (aged 16+) if they are dealing with matters of domestic abuse of any sort. There are weekly, free drop in sessions. For more information or to make an appointment please [get in touch](#)

Vaccination chief urges people to get boosted as West Yorkshire hits the half million milestone

As we head into the winter months and busy festive season, the booster offers important protection and peace of mind for those at greatest risk and their loved ones, so if you are eligible for the booster and yet to come forward, I strongly urge you to roll up your sleeves and [get the jab done!](#)

Pre and Postnatal exercise programmes and more online resources

From Couch to Fitness and gentle exercise routines for pregnant women or women who have just given birth, here are some useful links for new and expecting mothers as well as anyone who may wish to move more and increase their levels of physical activity. [Take a look](#)

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](#)

Employment Training and Volunteering

Do you need some training for your clients or front line advisers?

The Citizens Advice Calderdale's Energy Team still have availability for running free workshops with clients or front line advisers in January and February 2023. [How to book](#)

Office furniture and supplies giveaway to charitable and community organisations

Surplus to Purpose, a Leeds based charity would like to share with third sector organisations that they have office furniture and stationary supplies available to you, free of charge or a donation if you are able. [Read further](#)

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 or jobs, support with applying for universal credit and signposting to specialist services around mental health, debt and much more. [See how we can help](#)

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](#)

- **Community Warden - Calderdale Council** – Jan 23
- **Community Organiser with the Neighbourhood Team** – Jan 25
- **Cleaner at Elland Children’s Centre** – Jan 25
- **Food Poverty Co-ordinator – VSI Alliance** – Feb 02
- **Project Worker : Link with Healthy Minds Calderdale** – Feb 06
- **ICT Apprentice with Great Heights Academy Trust** – Feb 17

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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