The Friday Flyer is a weekly round-up of news and what’s on in North and East Halifax. We hope you will find this informative and useful. Let us know what you think!

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Latest News

Winter Vaccination Walk-in Clinic at the Piece Hall Nov 20-21
There is a unique opportunity to receive your Covid-19 jab and the NHS flu jab this weekend at the Piece Hall. No appointment needed and all three doses (1st, 2nd and booster) will be available! More information

Home Instead launches second Santa-gram campaign to help bring some festive cheer to the elderly!
Home Instead are asking children in local primary schools to join their second Santa-gram campaign by using their creative talents to design Christmas cards for elderly people in Calderdale. Get involved

Carers Wellbeing Service Calderdale Launch Event
The event is open to carers, the person they care for and professionals. The event will provide an opportunity for you to meet the team, hear about all the support we will be offering to carers and to also find out about other services that support carers in Calderdale. Find out more

Have your say on Calderdale’s Cultural Strategy
Now is the last chance to have your say in shaping our ambition for Culture in Calderdale. Our Cultural Strategy will set out a borough-wide commitment, investing in and supporting Culture and the role that it plays in supporting wider economic, social and environment strategies. Take survey

Community Emotional Health and Wellbeing workers with Healthy Minds
A fantastic opportunity has appeared to work for Healthy Minds. They’re looking to employ Community Emotional Health and Wellbeing workers for Central Halifax, Calder and Ryburn and North Halifax, ideally each from their locality. View vacancies
Healthy Minds AGM December 6th
We are pleased to invite you to attend Healthy Minds’ Annual General Meeting. This is an opportunity to hear about Healthy Minds’ work for the 2020-21 financial year, along with how we’ve managed during 2021 with the ongoing challenges of Covid-19, and our new hybrid approach to supporting people who live and work in Calderdale. Join us!

Vote now for the Great British Market Awards 2022 (Dec 13)
Calderdale has lots of fantastic markets and we’d like you to vote for your favourites in the Great British Market Awards 2022. You can vote for one market each day so you don’t only have to choose one! Vote for our markets!

Apply for a Ward Forum Grant in North and East Halifax by November 26th
These grants are available to organisations based in the North and East regions of Halifax, including Ovenden, Warley, Illingworth, Mixenden, Northowram and Shelf. We are keen on projects that improve the environment and the health and wellbeing of residents. How to apply

Christmas Events galore at Halifax Minster
Enjoy Christmas in all its splendour at the Halifax Minster. There are Carol Services, Christmas themed events for all the family to enjoy and all the celebrations associated with this wonderful time of the year for you to enjoy. View events

Christmas is coming at the Piece Hall !!!
Starting on Friday the 19th of November until the 31st of December there is a Christmas Events Galore at the Piece Hall. Workshops for Christmas arts, Family events and (hopefully!) a Christmas funfair are lined up. Find out what’s on!

Illingworth Moor Methodist Church Christmas Fayre November 27th
There will be Christmas stew and mince pies, tombola and Chocolate tombola, many gift stalls, fairtrade gifts, games and refreshments for all and even Father Christmas will make an appearance! Come along and join us!

Stick Man Live on Stage at the Victoria Theatre!
The much loved Christmas themed story by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler comes live on stage at the Victoria Theatre and you still have time to book tickets! Book now!

Well Done – we did it!
Members of the Running Aunties group used a £500 Warley ward forum grant that was put towards transport costs and the hire of a guide to walk up Snowdonia. See more

3 Live Consultations around the A629 Halifax to Huddersfield
Calderdale the Next Chapter wants your views and opinions on the developments planned around the A629 connecting Halifax to Huddersfield. We want to hear your feedback on proposals for walking and cycling in north and west Halifax and covering a broad area between Halifax, Elland and Huddersfield. Give your opinions
Partnership appoints integrated care system CEO-designate
The announcement follows an open and robust partner and stakeholder recruitment process with NHS England and NHS Improvement recommending that he should be CEO-Designate for West Yorkshire ICS, ready to take up the post from April 2022 should Parliament confirm the current plans. Read further

Starting Well Parent / Carer survey and prize draw – December 5
Are you a parent/carer with children under 8? Or expecting a child? Calderdale Council would love your views! Take survey

VSI Alliance Update 12 November 2021
Welcome to this weeks’ VSI alliance News & Events. There is information on running consultations, Christmas fairs, training and information events and courses. Read updates here

Interfaith Week Celebrations 14 – 21 November
We are delighted to share that a number of events have been arranged to celebrate Interfaith Week (14-21 November). List of events

RSPCA Christmas Fair 21 November
We’ll be getting festive with some seasonal games for all the family (including the dog) and you can peruse our stalls to find some interesting stocking fillers and gifts from local traders. Join the Christmas Fair!

Coronavirus Latest

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

Living with Covid means balancing risks
As we learn to live with Covid, there are choices we make in our everyday life. Be aware of the risks and make informed choices. More information here

New food delivery service in Halifax for people who are self-isolating
Fresh food deliveries from local shops, straight to people’s doors by electric bike, are set to make life easier for Halifax residents who are isolating or at higher risk from COVID-19. Further read

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 checklist
Get Involved / Have Your Say

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. Find out more

Start your Quality 4 Health + Wellbeing journey for FREE!
We are delighted to showcase the investment to subsidise Calderdale VCSE sector organisations of all sizes to sign up and undertake the Quality4Health+Wellbeing Accreditation at no charge to them. Find out more

Commuter Travel Hub with First Bus
The Commuter Travel Club is an employee benefits scheme, offering discounted bus travel to employees of companies who are First Bus travel partners in Halifax, Calder Valley & Huddersfield. Who can benefit

Information request on Fly tipping incident in Mixenden
A large amount of waste has been dumped on the proposed site of the new Mixenden Hub on Mixenden Road, Mixenden (next to the old library). Do you have information?

Live Engagement on Older People’s Care Homes
Our aim is to gather as many views and experiences as we can so we have an understanding of what really matters to the people who live, work or have a relative/friend who lives in a Calderdale care home. Take the survey

New fellowship programme to tackle health inequalities in West Yorkshire (Dec3)
The role of the fellows will be to actively support WY HCP’s work to tackle health inequalities. The programme will further develop the skills and expertise of people within the Partnership to tackle the causes of health inequality, to build more equitable organisations and communities. Could this be you?

Neighbourhood Watch Launches Say No To ASB Campaign (Webinar 15 Nov)
Antisocial behaviour (ASB) incidents have increased over the last three years. Police forces, councils and housing associations are reporting significant spikes in ASB cases – and these are not minor incidents. They are complex and serious cases causing real harm to many people. Join and support campaign

Tell Tracy – Police and Crime Plan Consultation running until November 19
The Mayor is urging everyone in West Yorkshire to get involved and #TellTracy about your policing and community safety priorities. The consultation will feed directly into the new Plan which sets the strategic direction for West Yorkshire Police, community safety partners and commissioned services over the next three years. Share your views

Advice for late applications to EU Settlement Scheme
Calderdale Council can provide support for local residents who are yet to apply for the scheme and advise of suggested next steps. Appointments can be made to verify the identity of applicants so they can make a late application. Act now
What makes your community thrive?
Staying Well are looking to capture people’s views on what can happen in local areas to help health and wellbeing. This is part of the Thriving Communities agenda and will shape how things are developed in the future. Take the survey

Events Newsletters and What’s On

St John’s Church Bradshaw Christmas Fayre on Saturday 11th December
You’re invited to St John the Evangelist church in Bradshaw for a Christmas Fayre. There will be a Santa’s Grotto, handmade gifts, sweet treats and much more! Come to the Fayre!

OSCA Foundation Christmas Fayre December 11
You are invited to our Christmas Fayre at Forest Cottage in the Enderby Hall. Hot drinks and cakes will be available. There will be stalls where you can buy Christmas gifts and stocking fillers. Visit our fayre!

Autumn Happiness from Curious Motion
Find out the latest from Curious Motion about their Dance Classes, their achievements and current wellbeing projects. Read newsletter

New Defibrillator for Shelf launch November 15th
The Friends of Shelf Hall Park (FOSHP) together with the local community, businesses and the Danny Jones Defibrillator Fund have raised over £2000.00 to purchase a defibrillator for emergency use in Shelf. Learn more about it

Calderdale Forum 50 Plus Newsletter November 2021
This month’s newsletter gives information on Christmas and Winter events, what’s happening around Calderdale, resources to help you and much more. To the newsletter

Find your fitness favourite at the OSCA Foundation Community Sports Hub
OSCA provide a range of healthy activities for all ages and levels of fitness, from outdoor sports to indoor exercise classes, including dancing and TaeKwonDo. With new, refurbished halls at professional standards, including a fully licenced pub and regular events, this is a one-stop community hub. Find out more

Halifax Heritage Rugby League Lunch Club restarting Monday 8th November 2021
Halifax Heritage Rugby League Lunch Club return to regular meetings at a NEW venue on the 2nd Monday of the month Starting Again 8th November 2021. Lunches have to be ordered. Reserve your place

Healthy Minds Recovery and Support Oct – Dec 2021 publicity
Whether you need emotional support, information, resources or relaxing activities, we can help you find the right fit for your needs. Get in touch with your local Recovery & Support Worker to enquire about any of our groups or activities. List of activities here
Calderdale PCNs’ Personalised Care Team October newsletter
Please find the latest Calderdale PCNs’ Personalised Care Team’s newsletter with health related news, helpful local resources and organisational developments. Read newsletter

Community Transport Calderdale Out and About Trips
Community Transport Calderdale have planned the following day trips for anyone interested from now until early in December. If interested and would like to book for any of these trips, please contact CTC. Booking and information

Ogham Tree Textile Exhibition by the Piecemakers at Halifax Minster
A unique exhibition is taking place at Halifax Minster this Autumn, displaying 21 murals on fabric, each for the 21 native trees of Great Britain that make up the Celtic Ogham Calendar. Pictures from the exhibition

Finalists for the Calderdale Community Spirit Awards 2021 Announced
The Community Foundation for Calderdale and its headline sponsors BCA Leisure have announced the finalists for the Community Spirit Awards which will take place on Thursday 25th November 2021 at The Venue Barkisland to celebrate all the amazing work volunteers, charities and community groups do to make Calderdale a better place to live. View nominations

Disability Partnership Calderdale newsletter 26 October 2021
The latest Disability Partnership Calderdale discusses safeguarding issues, offers health advice and has practical information on staying warm from Citizens Advice and Yorkshire Water’s Priority Services. Read newsletter

Local charity, Community Transport Calderdale, can help people with their transport needs
Our Car Service volunteers can provide transport for people to get about, you can come on one of the minibus trips we organise in our wheelchair accessible minibuses or you can hire our minibuses for your group. Read more

Partnership supports Let’s Eat: Young Carers Cookbook
Engagement with young carers highlighted a need for co-produced resources for young carers to support their health and well-being, resulting in the launch of the WY HCP Young Carers Support App, and production of the Let’s Eat: Young Carers Cookbook. Read more

Local Activities for over 50 in Illingworth and Bradshaw
The following activities are held at Illingworth Moor Methodist Church. The activities run on the same day each week. List of activities

Halifax Over 50’s Luncheon Club reopening October 28th
The Halifax Over 50s Luncheon Club would like to welcome you back in its reopening on Thursday the 28th of October at the Pellon Social Club. Come join us

Warley 2022 Calendar is out
The Warley Community Association annual Calendar for 2022 is now available to purchase. Buy now
Grants and Funding

GVC Fund – Community Foundation For Calderdale
In Calderdale this programme aims to support local communities and projects, with grants of up to £5k with a focus on sports and healthy activity projects, and those that support men’s health. Information and eligibility

General Grants from CFFC – second round
CFFC is especially interested to understand how proposals will help the communities of Calderdale recover from Covid and keep Covid safe. We will be looking for information about this in your application and will score higher those applications which make this clear. Check your eligibility

Grants from the Weight Management Fund – Deadline Nov 22nd
CFFC have launched a new grant, available to organisations who offer help to adults who want help managing their weight. This includes voluntary and community sector organisations and local private businesses. Read more

Calderdale Council Household Support Fund
The Government has allocated additional funding to Calderdale Council to provide support to local households over the period October to March 2022 – details on how to access this support will be released shortly. More information

Harnessing Diversity Grant
We have put aside a modest sum, per annum, to fund small community activity/projects to promote diversity and community cohesion within Together Housing Group’s or Pendleton Together’s operating area. Check your eligibility

Children and Young People

Healthy Holidays Calderdale Winter programme Launch
The Healthy Holidays Calderdale Winter programme has been launched. This programme aims to provide free holiday schemes for children on free school meals over the December school holidays. More information

Ovenden Junior Wardens meet The SCG Partnership
The newly formed Junior Wardens at Dean Field Community Primary School had the opportunity to meet the Safer Cleaner Greener Partnership on Wednesday 13 October 2021. Read further

Spread the kindness by ‘Looking out for each other’
#SpreadTheKindness is reaching 15–24-year-olds living, in education or working across the area. It aims to encourage young people to check in and share positive messages with friends either online or in person. Find out more

YMCA School uniform exchange
You are welcome to visit and find FREE, good quality school uniforms for Calderdale Primary and Secondary schools. Further details
Health and Wellbeing

Patient and carer group highlights importance of World Stroke Day
World Stroke Day is held on 29 October each year. This year’s campaign focuses on saving precious time, referring to the need to act F.A.S.T. in the aftermath of a stroke, as well as how that action can improve the quality of life for stroke survivors. Learn more

Worried about your energy supplier going bust?
Citizens Advice Calderdale are here to support you in dealing with all your energy worries from energy saving tips to help you switch provider if you need to. More information

Employment, Training and Volunteering

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. How you can help

Spin to win money for your charity!
Fundraising website easyfundraising run a unique donation campaign through November. This campaign is giving voluntary groups and third sector organisations 1000s of opportunities to win donations this November. Feeling lucky?

Volunteering Opportunities with Making Space
Making Space are looking for enthusiastic people to join their volunteering team in Calderdale. You will be volunteering with Carers Wellbeing Service Calderdale. View opportunities

Time Out are recruiting volunteers!
Are you passionate about the wellbeing of young people in Calderdale? Why not join Time Out, Healthy Minds emotional wellbeing project for 10-19 year olds and make a difference to young people’s lives! Volunteering options

Are you interested in becoming a telephone befriender with Staying Well?
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. Read more

Safe Online : From Fake News to Extremism in a Digital Age
The projects aim to equip you with the understanding of the difference between traditional online safety learning and how the internet is used to spread extremist messaging. Available dates

Help your community respond to the pandemic
VSI Alliance Volunteer Hub is a group of volunteers responding to the needs of people still feeling the effect of Covid19. We are assisting people who are isolating by delivering food parcels, completing shopping, walking dogs, prescription delivery, posting and other errands they may need help with. Become a volunteer
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 Emotional Health and Wellbeing workers with Healthy Minds – Dec 06
- Carer support worker with making space
- Seasonal Pickers/Packers with the Flow Group in Brighouse – Closing Dec 20
- Apprentice Support Assistant with Horton Housing – Closing Dec 31
- Patient and public voice (PPV) partners needed for the Covid-19 vaccination programme
- Care staff with Bluebird Care – Ongoing

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

The Halifax North and East blog is updated daily and can also be subscribed to for free. Did you know there are blogs covering the Central Halifax, Lower Valley and Upper Valley areas too with their own regular email newsletter 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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