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Parent & Child

1. Mpower service to Women

Mpower service to women who have had children removed

As part of Ormiston Families' Connect Programme, Mpower offers a service to women who have had at least one child removed from their care and who need additional support in understanding the reasons behind this. Mpower helps by addressing the issues that led to removal, with the aim to reduce the likelihood of it happening again. Often these women do not feel in a position to seek support through other means. We build a trusting, non-judgemental relationship and help women focus on themselves.

Get in Touch Alison Gilles Mpower Services Manager 07816 544163 or 01473 705036 <u>alison.gillies@ormistonfamilies.org.uk</u> www.ormistonfamilies.org.uk

The service has just started operating in Kings Lynn and West Norfolk Contact 07970 422052 for more information

2. Hunstanton Sensory Express

At Hunstanton Children's Centre

Sensory Express group on Wednesday 18 April and Wednesday 16 May 2018 from 10 - 11.30. This group is run by ASD Helping Hands and is for parents of children who may be on the autistic spectrum, have global development delay, speech delay or other sensory issues. In April the focus is on PECS and in May it is on 'Social Stories'

Action for Children, Hunstanton Children's Centre, Avenue Road, Hunstanton PE36 5BW 01485 534228 | @actionforchildren | actionforchildren.org.uk

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3. North Lynn Childrens Centre

North Lynn, Gaywood North Bank and the Wootton's Sure Start Children's Centre Call 01553 668505 <u>www.surestartnorfolk.co.uk</u>

Free activities Spring 2018 0-5years, mums, dads, carers, child minders and grandparents

Day	Activity	Details	Time	Where
Monday	Child Health Clinic	Health visitor sessions,	11.30am - 12.45pm	Reffley
	Mar 19 & Apr 16	for health and		Community Hall
		development advice		
		on your preschool		
		children.		
	Stay and Play (TT)	Confident explorers up	10.15am - 11.30am	Children's Centre
		to school age.		
Tuesday	Pathway 2	Parent Education 4	5.00pm – 7.00pm	Children's Centre
	Parenting	week antenatal		
		programme.		
		Booking required.		
	Self-Weighing for	For parents to weigh	12.00pm - 1.00pm	Children's Centre
	Babies	their babies without a		
		health professional		
Wednesday	Baby Group	Non mobile babies.	11.00am -12.00pm	Children's Centre
	Self-Weighing for	For parents to weigh	12.00pm -1.00pm	Children's Centre
	Babies	their babies without a		
		health professional.		
	Stay & Play (TT)	Confident explorers up	1.30pm – 2.45pm	Reffley
		to school age.		Community Hall
Thursday	Baby Explorers(TT)	For babies starting to	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Children's Centre
		move and explore.		
Friday	Child Health Clinic	Health visitor sessions,	9.30am - 10.30am	Children's Centre
	Mar 02 & Apr 06	for health and		
		development advice		
		on your preschool		
		children.		

TT =Term time only

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4. Nelson's Journey

Update on changes to the referral process into Nelson's Journey, with effect from 1st March 2018: Due to the continued high demand, and occasional inappropriate, referrals to Nelson's Journey's services we have reviewed our referral process and have changed our process as follows:



- Following all professional referrals we will send a letter/email to the parent/carer inviting them to contact us to take/complete the referral process. A copy will be sent to the referrer.
- At this stage the parent/carer will discuss the child's needs with a duty worker and if the service is deemed appropriate a 1:1 assessment will be arranged.

Or

- Where appropriate the parent/carer will be offered continued access to our support line.
- Parents/carers will be sign posted to a more relevant service where necessary.

How you can help:

- Where possible could you encourage parents/carers to contact Nelson's Journey directly.
- If you make the initial referral please gather as much information about the child/young person and the detail of the bereavement and call our support line to discuss the referral.

Each family will be sent a tailored information pack once we have spoken to them.

Our NJ Support Line is open: Monday 9am – 4.30pm

Tuesday 9am – 4.30pm

Wednesday 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Thursday 9am – 4.30pm

Friday 9am – 4pm

Our phone number is 01603 431788 W: www.nelsonsjourney.org.uk

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5. Sleep Clinics

Are you and your children struggling to get a good night's sleep?

Thanks to funding from the Comic Relief Community Grants, parents of children with sleep deprivation are offered free places at a Sleep Clinic run on two different dates by Sleep East. Come along for the 'bounce and rhyme' session and then spend time with a qualified sleep counsellor to get your sleep questions answered.

The Sleep Clinic is designed for all exhausted parents of children with complex and additional needs. It is fun and interactive, and it covers:

- Sleep information and strategies
- Keeping a sleep diary
- Developing and maintaining a good bedtime routine
- Venue: Gaywood Library, River Lane, Gaywood, Kings Lynn PE30 4HD
- Dates and times:
- Tuesday 17 April at 11am
- Tuesday 1 May at 11am

Bookings: Contact Joy Bishop (Lead Sleep Counsellor) at <u>joybishop@sleepeast.co.uk</u> to book your free place and state which of the two dates you would prefer

6. Grandparents plus

"Grandparents Plus - Keeping families together

Millions of families rely on grandparents. We're here to make sure they can handle whatever life brings. Grandparents Plus is the only national charity (England and Wales) dedicated to grandparents and their role in the care and development of their grandchildren.

What we do

We're a voice for grandparents.

We recognise the huge contribution grandparents are making to families across the country, and we speak out to make sure their voices are heard - whether they're providing childcare so parents can work, stepping in to care full-time or shoring up a safety net for the next generation. We're a lifeline for kinship carers.

Through our advice service and support network, we help kinship carers by providing support, giving independent guidance and connecting them with each other. Our support programmes are developed with kinship carers for kinship carers, and are changing lives by strengthening families across the country."

https://www.grandparentsplus.org.uk/who-we-are

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7. Special Guardians Groups

Norfolk Special Guardians Group open to all special guardians who are caring for a child under an SGO

NSGG

This is an opportunity to meet other Special Guardians and to speak to a Social Worker about any questions or worries you might have. Norfolk Kinship Team have also invited specialist guest speakers to present on relevant topics.

The meetings are 9:45am- 12:00pm with tea/ coffee and introductions and discussions and with guest speakers on a particular theme at 11:00am

Kings Lynn Venue Programme

Gaywood Library River Lane Kings Lynn PE30 4HD

18th April - Theme - Supporting Contact 13th June - Theme - Life Story work for your child

Norwich Venue Programme

Tuckswood Library Robin Hood Road Norwich NR4 6BX 14th May – Theme – Education-Bullying, transitions, EHCP

Norfolk Kinship Team has an advice line Monday- Friday 10-12 to support special guardians and their families with any questions relating to special guardianship 01603 224 131

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Additional needs and disability

8. Managing Challenging Behaviour

ASD and ADHD Support Information Session

Managing Challenging Behaviour Wednesday 25th April 10am until 12pm Swaffham Community Centre, The Campingland, Swaffham, PE37 7RB

Family Action and Contact are running a free session for parents and carers to share information about managing challenging behaviour for families who have a child with a diagnosis of, or suspected ASD or ADHD.

Come and share your experiences, meet other families, and pick up advice and support.

To book a place please contact Natalie Webb 01760 720302 natalie.webb@family-action.org.uk





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9. Safe Handling Training

ASD Helping hands are working in partnership with Safer Handling training to offer a two part course on safer handling and restraint

At the Green Britain Centre in Swaffham on 7th April;- Morning Session aimed at professionals(£30) covers reasonable force, legal implications and risk assessments afternoon session aimed at parents & carers (£60) covers restraint to use at home, how to manage behaviour, use of physical restraint more details at

https://www.asdhelpinghands.org.uk/events-1/session-1-reasonable-force-and-the-legalside

https://www.asdhelpinghands.org.uk/events-1/session-2-restraint-training

£80 for the whole day <u>https://www.asdhelpinghands.org.uk/events-1/full-day-safer-handling-training</u>

10. ADHD Parenting Programme

Being an AD HD parent can be a challenge taking incredible patient and strength. Our parenting programme is specifically about ADHD parenting. Most ADHD parents know how to parent and have probably been asked to attend other parenting courses. Most know how they are supposed to parent; generic parenting course won't work

What does the programme cover?

This programme will show parents how to understand their chid by tapping onto their word. Learning ADHD specific techniques and strategies is the answer in turn improving family life. They will be integrating some core strategies into their young person's own daily routine so they will be better equipped to understand themselves and manage their own ADHD too

Unit one: What is ADHD? Unit two: Understanding ADHD Unit three: Treating ASDHD Unit four: Supporting you child to reach their full potential Unit four: ADHD and the community Unit six: looking after you Locations in Norwich, Kings Lynn Great Yarmouth and Thetford Each weekly unit last three hours term time only programme runs for six weeks evening and daytime options

See <u>www.adhdnorfolk.org.uk/services</u> <u>enquires@adhdnorfolk.org.uk</u> 01263 734 808

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11.New Speech & Language web pages

The local offer team have recently worked with East Coast Community Healthcare and Family Voice Norfolk to improve the information about speech and language on the Local Offer.

The **new and improved webpages** provide information to support parent carers who are concerned that their child may have speech, language and communication needs (SLCN).



- <u>Children's speech language and communication needs</u>
- <u>Children's speech language and communication support</u>
- Speech and language resources
- <u>Children's speech and language therapy service</u>
- Speech and language therapist
- Independent speech and language therapy

From April, with the launch of a new directory, we will be moving towards having all provision and services that are part of the Norfolk local offer in the directory.

12.Summer Activities

ASD Helping Hands residential and activity weeks are now on sale

Bidwell 2018

Bidwell is our annual residential trip for families affected by an Autism Spectrum Disorder. It is held at Two Mile Bottom Scout hut just outside of Thetford.

On offer, we have a range of activities including Canoeing, Archery, Music Workshops, Arts and Crafts and a lot more

Teen Activity Week

A selection of different activities days for our over 12's. Each day is independent so pick and choose the ones that suit you 13^{th-}17th August

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Combat paint balling	13 th August	£25 pp
Gravity & Pizzas Hut	14 th August	£20 pp
Water Sports& Bush Craft Day	15 th August	£50 pp
High Lodge &BBQ	16 th August	£10 pp
Drayton Manor Trip	17 th August	£40 pp

Please see <u>Residential & Activity Weeks</u>

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13. SEN Training College

ASD Helping Hands Special Educational Needs accredited courses are designed for teaching assistants and learning support staff or colleagues working with SEN students in a range of settings including courses to help





you understand specific types of SEN. All our qualifications are part of your staff member's continuous professional development (CPD).

Whether you're working in a special school, in a mainstream setting or an organisation supporting individuals special educational needs, we have a wide range of courses to support you in developing your knowledge, skills and expertise. Our experienced course leaders bring with them a wealth of experience and a huge number of highly practical ideas, meaning that you'll return to work inspired and empowered to use what you've learnt.

If you're new to your role in SEN, our level 1 & 2 awareness courses will prove invaluable, whilst more experienced SEN staff will benefit more from our Level 3 & 4 courses aimed at developing your role.

For more information please see their website (<u>Click Here</u>) Courses offered by ASD Helping Hands for 2018:

- Autism In Education
- <u>Autism Awareness</u>
- Level 2 Relationship Education
- Level 3 Supporting Dyslexia
- Level 3 Supporting Students with Autism
- Level 4 Supporting Learners With Special Education Need

Parent Courses

Managing Behavior: Module 1 Understanding Behavior (under development)

If interested can they email training@asdhelpinghands.org.uk

Or see the website https://www.asdhelpinghands.org.uk/sen-training-college

https://www.asdhelpinghands.org.uk/test

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14. Guide to Care and Support for Adults

Your guide to care and support for adults 2017-18

New updated version available in April 2018

Contains lots of useful information to enable people to stay independent in their own homes for as long as possible. There is information about how to get help and support, what kind of services are available and details of other organisations that can help.

It is available free in libraries, GP surgeries and other places across Norfolk. The Guide is available online to download as a PDF or as an eBook to read at <u>www.norfolk.gov.uk/careservices</u> or for a free copy contact Norfolk County Council Customer service Centre on: 0344 800 8020. For bulk orders of the new 2018/19 guide please contact Rosemary Henderson at <u>rosemary.henderson@norfolk.gov.uk</u> or tel: 01603 223529

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Health and Well Being

15. New Drug & Alcohol Service

Change Grow Live (CGL) Norfolk, Alcohol and Drug Behaviour Change Service

CGL will start operating in Norwich, Kings Lynn, Great Yarmouth and Thetford from April 1st.

The office at 5-9 Chapel Street Kings Lynn will close on Thursday, 29th March and re-opens at the new base of 33 Railway Road, King's Lynn. PE30 1NF on Tuesday, 3rd April

CGL provide advice, guidance and support and a clear pathway to recovery for individuals affected by alcohol or drug misuses. They can provide confidential information, advice, treatment options and support. CGL is a health and social care charity that works with individuals who want to change their lives for the better and achieve positive life affirming goals

Contact them on T: 01603 514096, E: norfolk.info@cgl.org.uk

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grow, live

16. Wellbeing Socials

Wellbeing Associates Workshops & Socials

Wellbeing Helping you live your life

Making your next step easier

Date and Time:	What and Where:
Wednesday 11 th April	Wellbeing Art workshop
5.00pm- 7.00pm	Providence Street Community Centre
	Providence Street, King's Lynn PE30 5ET
Thursday 12 th April	Coffee and a Catch up
10.30am – 12.00pm	Chives Brasserie, 11 High Street,
	Hunstanton, PE36 5AB
Monday 16 th April	Coffee and a Catch up
5.30pm – 7.00pm	Sainsbury's Café, Hardwick Industrial Estate,
	Scania Way, King's Lynn, PE30 4LR
Wednesday 18 th April	Coffee and a catch up
10:30am – 12:00pm	Reeds Café Nelson House Bridge Street
	Downham PE38 9DS
Monday 23 rd April	Associate Workshop
5:30 -7:30pm	Dr Ian Tweedle Talks Medication and Mental Health
	Booking Essential limited Places
	Providence Street Community Centre
	Providence Street, King's Lynn PE30 5ET
Thursday 26 th April	Coffee and a Catch up
5:30pm- 7.00pm	Sunshine Café, 20 Wales Court,
	Downham Market, PE38 9JZ
Friday 27 th April	Associate Workshop – Art & Environment with
10:30am- 12:00pm	NEW
	Coffee and a Catch up
	Alieve Leisure Lynnsport Café
	Greenpark Avenue
	Kings Lynn
	PE30 2NB
Every Friday 1.00pm –	Peer Led Discussion Group
3.00pm	Providence Street Community Centre
	Providence Street, King's Lynn PE30 5ET
	Contact Stewart Oddie –
	stewart.oddie@nsft.nhs.uk

To book a space contact Gary Freeman on gary.freeman@nsft.nhs.uk or 07341 867105

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Domestic Abuse and Victim Support

17. Good Friend Guide for DA

How to be supportive to a friend or family member experiencing abuse.

Are you looking for practical and simple advice on how to better support a friend in an abusive relationship? We've put a short guide together to do just that. Though this is not a definitive resource with all the answers for each individual case, it's a good place to start especially if you're feeling unsure or anxious. Don't worry! You can do this...

There is no one-size-fits-all solution so take and leave the advice you'll find here.

For now, we have decided to focus our attention on violent and abusive relationships in which the survivor is a woman. The relationships may be heterosexual or same-sex. Although <u>CHAYN's</u> work is mostly aimed at women, the advice given in this guide can be used by anyone who believes it can be helpful to them, regardless of gender.

This guide is part of a continuing discussion about how we can support women in violent relationships. We welcome suggestions and contributions that will help us improve this guide. The guide was originally developed by Cagnesciolte in Rome and has been remixed by <u>CHAYN</u>.

https://chayn.gitbooks.io/the-good-friend-guide/content/

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18. DA Champion Training Events

For Education Staff Only

13th & 20th June - The Willow Centre, South Norfolk 2nd & 10th October - Swaffham – venue TBC

For Healthcare Staff Only

9th & 10th July 2018 - Lecture Theatre, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Kings Lynn 19th September & 3rd October - The Willow Centre, Cringleford

From: 10am-4pm no cost attached **What Do Champions Do?** Be the key domestic abuse contact for your agency Disseminate up to date information about domestic abuse to your team Raise awareness in your organisation Be the link between your organisation and the Champions Network

What do Champions Get?

Free two day training Access to advice and consultancy Regular Network Events Monthly Newsletters

Day One

What is Domestic Abuse? The Dynamics of Power and Control The Impact of Domestic Abuse Barriers to Leaving The Impact on Children **Day Two** Workplace Domestic Abuse Policy Encouraging Disclosures Responding to Disclosures Risk Assessment & Safeguarding Safety Planning Local Support Agencies

Request to book: <u>da.change@norfolk.gov.uk</u>

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Groups

19. Targeted Activities for Young People

Prospects in the new service commissioned by Norfolk County Council for young people. The criteria for referral is that the young person must be aged 13-19 and "at risk of statutory intervention" which can include a risk of youth offending; mental health difficulties; risk of school exclusion; health referrals, etc. In addition, they are keen to support the Early Help Team and others with their 'step-down' of young people who may need additional support to manage exiting services and gaining their independence. Referral is by the Request for Support form on the Early Help page of the Norfolk County Council.

More information from Gary Murray <u>mailto:Gary.Murray@prospects.co.uk</u> Or: 07702 877341

20. Mountain Biking with KLMTB

Saturday afternoons March-October

6-8 year olds 12:30-13:30

9-15 year olds 14:00-15:30

Shouldham Warren Main Carpark PE33 0DQ

FOR MORE INFORAMTION VISIT

WWW.KINGSLYNNMTB.COM

OR E-MAIL David Webster at COACHING.KLMTB@GMAIL.COM

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21. Mobility Charity Grants

Mobility Trust

Mobility Trust provides powered wheelchairs and scooters for UK residents who have severe disabilities and who cannot obtain such equipment through other means. We aim to reach and help people who, quite simply, have nowhere else to turn. We are the only UK charity that provides such broad support, regardless of age or cause of disabilities. <u>https://mobilitytrust.org.uk/</u>

Acts345 (not mobility specific, but of interest in general)

Acts 435 is a website that directly links those wanting to give with those needing their help. This happens simply through online giving, with the Church providing a physical, face-to-face meeting point where church volunteers, called advocates, meet with those in need and post these needs on the Acts 435 website. 100% of what is donated via Acts 435 goes directly to those in need. Nothing is removed to cover administration costs – if you give £80 for a cooker, that full £80 will go to purchase that item.

https://acts435.org.uk/give/other/gifts-in-kind/

The Barchester Healthcare Foundation

The Barchester Healthcare Foundation supports older people and adults with physical and mental disabilities. It is able to help individuals with the cost of items that enhance the person's mobility, independence or quality of life.

www.bhcfoundation.org.uk

ACT foundation

ACT provides grants of up to £2,500 to individuals with the aim of enhancing the quality of life for people in need (specifically those who have a physical and/or mental disability or the aged and who are living in poverty). Applicants are required to be permanently resident in the UK. Examples of grants we will consider:-

- Mobility aids
- Specialised seating and car seats
- Specialised beds and sleep systems
- Sensory toys and equipment, room padding
- Communication aids, specialised software
- Respite breaks at a registered centre for the applicant only
- Vehicle Adaptations

http://www.theactfoundation.co.uk/content/apply-grant-individuals

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Aid for the aged in distress

What will AFTAID provide a grant for? Nearly anything which is required to take away hardship from the day to day life of an older person. http://www.aftaid.org.uk/home.html

Margaret's fund

We only give grants to women who are in financial need – and who are in ill health or suffering from a health-related problem. To assist you, here is a rough guide to how Margaret's Fund normally helps successful applicants. For reasons associated with the history of the charity, we tend to favour these conditions in order of importance: •Women with TB. •Women with chest related or pulmonary illnesses. •Women with other illnesses. Grants are made for: •aids for disability •extra comforts •convalescent holidays (holidays to recover from illness) •clothing •extra nourishment •extra heating http://margaretsfund.co.uk/how-we-help/

The hospital Saturday fund

The Hospital Saturday Fund provides grants to individuals from the UK and the Republic of Ireland. It is able to help with the purchase of specialised equipment and practical forms of treatment.

www.hospitalsaturdayfund.org

22. Strongbones Children's Charitable Trust

Strongbones Children's Charitable Trust is a national registered charity set up to help families who have children suffering from brittle bone disease, bone cancer, scoliosis, arthritis, and all other serious conditions of the bone. Applicants must be under the age of 21.

What we do

- We provide an online support network to over 1,000 families
- We provide manual wheelchairs
- We provide specialist buggies
- We provide adapted trikes and hand cycles.
- We provide supportive seating (If refused by State funding at panel)
- We provide advice to families in accessing welfare benefits.
- We provide disability aids and portable hoists
- We organise family days to enable parents and children to network.
- We organise and fully fund a yearly superhero party in the summer
- Our Youth Ambassador Myles selects a child weekly to receive an Inspirational
- We provide balloons to children in hospital.
- We organise accessible activity weekends
- We support siblings through our Super Sibling
- We provide smart home technology

https://strongbones.org.uk/about-us/

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23. Day Trippers Grants

"Special schools, children's hospices, charities and support groups can apply for funding towards a day trip of their choice.

We want to ensure children and young people with disabilities and life-limiting conditions in the UK experience great days out. Find out below if your organisation is eligible for our support and how to apply for a grant. If you have any queries, please contact us on 020 7758 0030 or at enquiries@daytrippers.org.uk.

http://www.daytrippers.org.uk/daytrips/how-to-become-a-daytripper/

Eligibility criteria:

- Special schools, children's hospices, registered charities and support groups (without charity status) based in the UK are eligible to apply.
- The day trip must consist of at least eight children and young people who have a disability and/or a life-limiting condition (up to the age of 25).
- The proposed day trip must take place in the UK.

Key points:

- Application forms are accepted all year round.
- Fully completed application forms and supporting documents may be submitted ten working days or more prior to the day trip.
- Funding will primarily be considered for children and young people with disabilities and life-limiting conditions and their key carers.
- We will consider each application form and funding requested on an individual basis.
- We allocate up to £30 per child/young person and award grants no greater than £1,500.
- If the proposed day trip includes over 50 children and young people, please call us to discuss your request before completing an application form.
- As well as considering days out, we welcome application forms regarding in-house events (a fun day for children for example).
- If we are unable to cover all of the costs, we will consider making a contribution towards the day trip.
- Successful applicants are required to provide monitoring information after the day trip has taken place. See <u>here</u> for more information.
- Organisations are expected to pay for the day trip upfront. Payment of the grant will be issued after the day trip and when the monitoring information has been submitted.
- Organisations may receive one grant per calendar year.

We will not consider:

- Application forms for individual families.
- Funding requests for overnight stays and residentials.
- Day trips to events funded or co-funded by Daytrippers."

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24. B&Q Re-Use Scheme

Community re-use - B&Q operates a community re-use scheme through all stores

The scheme is in place to donate unsellable products and materials for re-use by local schools, other educational institutions and community groups, for the benefit of the local community and the environment. These items are donated on the understanding that they will be re-used or disposed of responsibly if they aren't used. Eligible groups include:

- Schools and colleges
- Child minders, playgroups and nurseries
- Allotment associations, community gardening projects
- Youth groups including scouts, guides and cadets
- Registered charities
- Adult education projects, University of the Third Age
- Other local community groups

Please note that these are unsellable items. B&Q cannot guarantee the suitability for re-use. No electrical or dangerous products can be donated e.g. broken ladders, faulty chairs or lights. We do not donate items to individuals.

For more information please contact your local store directly and speak to a duty manager."

https://www.diy.com/corporate/community/waste-donation/

25. Meet Up Society Database

"Getting together with real people in real life makes powerful things happen. Side hustles become careers, ideas become movements, and chance encounters become lifelong connections. Meetup brings people together to create thriving communities."

This is free of charge to join, web-based data-base of clubs and societies and has dozens of groups across Norfolk (though some are more focused around urban areas). The database can be searched for specific locations

https://www.meetup.com/find/

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26. Cochlear Implant Group

If you are interested in attending "Norfolk Cochlear Implant Social Group" Come along AND GET INVOLVED

- Tell us your ideas
- Tell us how you would like to involved.

Opportunity to meet CI users, family and friends

To meet others who have been through the process from start to finish Provide opportunity for those who have been seeking practical support.

Please get in touch with Steve Hurley (Development Worker and a CI User) Mobile/ Text: 07748335041 Email: <u>stephen.hurley@norfolk.gov.uk</u>

27. Variety Children's Charity

We're here to help improve the care and ease the burden of looking after a child who is seriously ill or disabled. We really do understand the emotional and financial strain it imposes on parents and carers. Grants are available to individuals as well as organisations. We aim to provide whatever is needed:

•It may be medical, such as monitoring equipment.

- •It may be basic care like feeding tubes or hoists.
- •It may be sensory play or mobility equipment for a nursery or playgroup.

Applications can be made on behalf of individual children. These must be supported by a letter from an appropriately qualified medical professional, e.g. occupational therapist, physiotherapist or paediatrician. Please ensure that this letter refers to the equipment.

Applications can also be made from non-profit making groups and organisations working with children up to, and including, the physical age of 18 years. These include statutory bodies (schools and hospitals), hospices and small registered charities. These applications must also be supported by a letter from medical professional, as above.

https://www.variety.org.uk/what-we-do/equipment-grants

Variety Great Days Out

2 million children have had Great Days Out with Variety.

We arrange our days out with schools or organisations who cater for children and young people who are sick, disabled or disadvantaged.

Are you a school or community group?

If you work with children who are sick, disabled or disadvantaged and would like to know more about our great days out please contact us on 020 7428 8100 or email info@variety.org.uk

https://www.variety.org.uk/what-we-do/variety-great-days-out

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Housing and Finance

28. KL & WN Community Support King's Lynn and West Norfolk Community Support

The new King's Lynn and West Norfolk community support service will commence on 1st March 2018. The team will work with customers 18+ who have complex needs in order to prevent and reduce the risk of homelessness to ensure a reduction in the number of individuals currently rough sleeping in the Borough.



The service will also reduce the impact of homelessness and crisis on statutory and other voluntary and specialist agencies in the King's Lynn and West Norfolk area working with partners to meet their Homelessness Reduction Act obligations.

The service aims to achieve these outcomes by supporting service users to remain in their homes and aid those who are rough sleepers to find accommodation. This will include attending assessments and appointments with benefits and debt management agencies, mental health community support teams, local voluntary and specialist providers, housing providers, drug and alcohol support services, probation and the Community Rehabilitation Company. Once the service user has attained a level of stability either by securing or maintaining accommodation, or reduction in mental ill-health crisis, the team will deliver preventative actions, including building resilience and skills to prevent the risk of future homelessness through our Home Achievement Programme (HAP), employability pathway and peer support groups. We will also support attendance at the Recovery College and engagement with other local community projects.

The team will be based in King's Lynn with facilities to meet service users on site, offering drop in sessions in King's Lynn and other areas across the Borough where a need is identified. Group sessions will be held to meet the need of those using the service as will face-to-face contact. The service will operate Monday to Friday 9-5 with scope to work in the evenings and on Saturday mornings; enabling the team to reach out to individuals that are already classed as rough sleepers.

The service will complete risk assessments, person-centred planning support plans and use the outcomes star to determine progress. Service users will receive intensive support to enable fast progress in meeting outcomes and engage with others involved in the service user's life. The service will be delivered using the psychologically-informed environment approach.

For more information and to request a referral form please contact Tracy Baker by email: <u>Tracey.Baker@homegroup.org.uk</u> or Telephone: 07525 904278

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29. April Benefit Changes

Millions of households entitled to welfare benefits and tax credit will see big changes in their claims in April 2018. As the financial year comes to an end, here are some of the key things to look out for in April.

Support for Mortgage Interest (SMI)

Support for Mortgage Interest will no longer exist as a benefit from Friday 6 April 2018 and is being replaced with an interest bearing loan. This means that owner-occupiers who require help with their Housing Costs from this date can take out a loan and have a charging order placed on the property.

Universal Credit

If you are on Housing Benefit when you make a new claim for Universal Credit, you could receive two-weeks extra of Housing Benefit. You do not have to wait for a decision on your claim for Universal Credit to be entitled to this.

You will not have to pay this amount back and this will be paid in addition to your Universal Credit award, which may also include an amount for your Housing Costs.

Universal Credit will be fully rolled out to all areas of the country by December 2018. For further information please see our information on <u>when you can claim Universal Credit</u>.

Childcare

Employer Childcare Vouchers will no longer be available to new claimants. However, you may be able to receive help with your childcare costs through Tax Free Childcare or through Working Tax Credit or Universal Credit. You can use the <u>Gov.UK website's childcare calculator</u> to find out what scheme is best for you.

Student loans

Part-time undergraduate students will be entitled to maintenance loans for the academic year 2018-19 to support the cost of living while studying for the first time. The level of support, which will be means tested, has not yet been confirmed.

Pensions

Pension deductions will treble for auto-enrolled pensions in April. This will mean 2.4% of pay will be diverted into people's pensions. This will increase to 4% in 2019.

Change of benefit rates

Benefit rates for disability benefits and premiums, Carer's Allowance, and all carer's elements and premiums will increase in April 2018. All other benefit rates have been frozen. The Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) have outlined <u>the proposed changes to benefit rates in full</u>.

For more information see

https://www.turn2us.org.uk/About-Us/News/April-Benefit-Changes

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30. Universal Credit

The link below from gov.uk takes you directly to the roll out schedule for Universal Credit Full Service (UCFS)

Breckland is Scheduled for June 2018 and Kings Lynn and West Norfolk Scheduled for November 2018;-

"Rollout of the Universal Credit full service is due to complete in December 2018. After the rollout process has completed, DWP will then begin moving all remaining existing benefit claimants to the Universal Credit full service starting in 2019."

So basically it will only be those people making a **new claim** for Jobseeker's allowance, Employment & Support Allowance, Income Support, Housing Benefit, Tax Credits and Child Tax Credit that will make a claim for UCFS instead

At this stage we do not know how the movement of existing benefit claimants e.g. ESA, JSA and IS onto UCFS will happen. Anyone on any of these benefit will remain on them until either their circumstances change or when the agreed date for transferring them over is reached.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/680524/u niversal-credit-transition-rollout-schedule-feb18-dec18.pdf

31. Vicar's Relief Fund

The charity covers the whole of the UK – includes money to cover hoarding clear up.

"The VRF provides small crisis grants of up to £350 to support people who are at risk of, or currently experiencing homelessness or vulnerable housing, to establish and maintain their tenancies. Types of applications include funding to secure accommodation and to clear rent arrears following an eviction notice.

We only accept applications from paid frontline workers providing support to people who are experiencing homelessness or vulnerable housing.

We will provide grants for:

Accessing accommodation – Rent deposits, rent in advance, admin fees, ID, or temporary accommodation costs.

Preventing eviction – Rent arrears, service charge arrears, Debt Relief Orders and bankruptcy fees or money to pay for a hoarding clean up."

Setting up home – Household goods or moving costs.

For more information and to apply click here."

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32. Kings Lynn Foodbank Move

As from Monday 5th March the foodbank will be operating out of the **Purfleet building, 5 St Anne's fort, Kings Lynn PE30 1QS.** If you can let your clients know when you issue vouchers, thank you.

The phone numbers and opening hours will remain the same.

Phone us 07582558143

Email us info@kingslynn.foodbank.org.uk

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Training and Employment

33. ICT Functional Skills

ICT Functional Skills Level 1 - intermediate

For learners who have completed the Entry Level 3 Functional Skills ICT qualification or can demonstrate knowledge to that level. You will learn file management, e-safety, electronic communication software, word processing, spreadsheets, databases and presentation software on successful completion of the course you will gain a recognised City and Guilds Functional Skills

Course code: IT1FS7817X Info session (free): Saturday 21 April 2018 Start date: Saturday 28 April 2018 Time: 10am to 12.30pm Duration: 5 weeks Cost: £50 (free to concessions) South Lynn Community Centre 10 St Michael's Road King's Lynn PE30 5HE

To find out more and book your place, visit our website: www.norfolk.gov.uk/adultlearning Or call our Admissions Team on: 01603 306530 or 0344 800 8020

34. Level 2 Childcare

Level 2 Childcare (intermediate)

This is a nationally recognised Level 2 Certificate Children and Young Peoples' qualification for Pre-school/Nursery Assistants in a variety of settings. Applicants should ideally have a terms experience and be volunteering or working in a setting for a minimum of 6 hours a week.



Course Code: EY2CC1617X

Free info session: Tuesday 24 April 2018 Start date: Tuesday 8 May 2018 Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm Course duration: 24 weeks

Providence Street Community Centre, Providence Street, King's Lynn, PE30 5ET

To find out more and book your place, visit the website: www.norfolk.gov.uk/adultlearning Or call: 0244 800 8020

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35. Get into RetailGet Into Retail with Marks & SpencerProgramme dates:TuesdaLocation of the Programme:MarksInterviews:w/c 9th

Tuesday 8th May – Friday 1st June Marks & Spencer | Norwich City Centre w/c 9th April

- → Gain in-depth training in the retail industry by completing 4 weeks of work experience with Marks & Spencer
- → Learn about stock rotation / control, good Customer Service and selling skills
- → Possible opportunity to gain employment with M&S after the programme
- → Doesn't affect your benefits & Travel expenses paid on the programme
- Improve your Team work and communication skills and boost your confidence, interview & Employability Skills and CV
- → lunch allowance on the programme
- → Up to six months support to help you find employment and / or further training

LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE To join the course or find out more: Call for Free on **0800 842 842**

What happens on the Programme?

If you're not in work, education or training and live in the UK, we can give you the chance to gain work experience and receive training in a specific sector through our Get into Programme. We'll also focus on your employability skills to help you move into a job after the course.

Not sure if this is for you?

You can meet our staff before the course starts and ask us questions to decide if it's right for you. During the Programme, you'll also benefit from one-to-one support to help you think about what you'd like to do after the course finishes, and will have the option of support either from our staff or a volunteer mentor for up to six months.

Want to know more?

Check out the 'Get Into' promotion video and case studies from young people who have completed previous courses, plus much more on this link:

https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/get-job/get-experience

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36. Help You Choose

Help You Choose Norfolk's careers information, advice and opportunities platform for young people Find out about all your post-16 options and choices

- Full-time courses
- Apprenticeship vacancies
- Traineeships and short courses
- Search and apply online to Norfolk's sixth forms, colleges and training providers
- Enter your information once to apply for several courses
- Find out about volunteering
- Search for Higher Education opportunities available in Norfolk
- View our Events section to find out about open events and careers fairs
- Visit our info and advice pages to find information on:
- Decisions and choices
- Education and learning
- Working and training
- Travel and transport
- Financial support

• Access **New Kudos** the careers quiz to help you find careers that might suit you <u>www.helpyouchoose.org</u>

37. Apprenticeships Service

TrAC Apprenticeships Norfolk (TrAC AN) has been created to provide bespoke support to employers who are able and willing to offer 6-month work placements to help vulnerable young people aged between 16-24 embark on and complete apprenticeships.

TrAC AN will provide a wrap-around support and mentoring package to employers who would like to offer such opportunities to young people who need a little extra help. This means that they can focus on sector-specific conditions that affect health and social care in Norfolk. TrAC AN aims to raise awareness of the benefits of employing a young person who is yet to reach their potential by:

□ Identifying and matching suitable young people to host employers for a work placement, Traineeship or Apprenticeship

 $\hfill\square$ Working with you every step of the way to ensure support for you, the apprentice and anyone else involved

 $\hfill\square$ Positively managing any challenges or barriers for all involved

□ Providing HR and administrative support from start to finish, including managing wages, holiday pay and national insurance.

For more information contact TrAC AN. Phone: 01603 737739 Email: katie@tracweb.co.uk

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38. Free English and Maths in Kings Lynn

Free Functional Skills English & Maths in Kings Lynn Starting April 2018

English starts Tuesday 9:30am-2:30pm 1/5/2018

10 St Michaels Road South Lynn Community Centre PE30 5HE

Maths starts Thursday 9:30am-2:30pm 3/5/2018 10 St Michaels Road South Lynn Community Centre PE30 5HE

You will be invited to information day prior to the course starting.

Dates as follows: - English 17/4/2018 9:30 -12:00pm Maths 19/4/2018 9:30 -12:00pm

To book your place on an information session.Please call: Norfolk Community Learning ServicesAdmissions team: 01603 306530.Or enrol on the website www.norfolk.gov.uk/adultlearning

(Venues, days and times may be subject to change)

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Training for Professionals

39. Overview of data protection training



It seems like everyone is talking about GDPR at the moment, but is it really cause for panic?

In our April/May Good Practice meetings, our guest speaker Oliver Holmes from Osiris ICT will help you understand how GDPR will affect your group and what you can do to ensure you are compliant with the new law which comes into effect on 25th May 2018.

The sessions will be very informal, with plenty of chances for you to ask questions, and are aimed at small organisations such as local youth clubs.

Momentum are also offering a half-day training course on GDPR so please contact us if you would be interested in this.

And as usual, the meetings will include an opportunity to meet other groups in your locality, hear about opportunities from Momentum, and get your Ambition Quality portfolio checked.

Norwich: Wednesday 18th April, 5-7pm

Great Yarmouth: Tuesday 24th April, 10am-12pm

> Breckland (Thetford): Tuesday 1st May, 4-6pm

West Norfolk (King's Lynn): Wednesday 9th May, 10am-12pm

North Norfolk and Broadland (Fakenham): Wednesday 16th May, 5-7pm

> South Norfolk (Wymondham): Tuesday 22nd May, 4-6pm

Dates, times and venues can be subject to change – please contact us to confirm your place so you can be kept up to date with any changes.

For more information or to book a place, contact Aimee Gedge, Supporting Excellence Officer. Email: <u>aimee@momentumnorfolk.org.uk</u> | Phone: 01603 672333

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40. Engaging your Community

Engaging Your Community-Training (Norfolk & Cambridgeshire)

Workshop 1: Raising Aspirations & Engaging with your Community (Friday 27th April 2018, 10am-1.30pm)

Being part of this unique workshop will help you:

- Clearly identify the composition of your community.
- Consider why you want to engage them aims & objectives.
- Explore how to
 - Build strong and positive relationships.
 - ➢ Raise aspirations.
 - Generate a common vision and sense of belonging for all removing barriers and encouraging positive interaction.
 - Aid partnership work.

Workshop 2: Measuring & Evaluating the Outcomes of Community & School Based Projects (Friday 11th May 2018, 10am-1.30pm)

Whether your work is funded by government, lottery, charity or another source, you will have to both measure and evaluate the outcomes of the services you provide. Attending this user-friendly workshop will help you:

- Explore how to measure the impact of your services.
- Look at ways of evaluating them.
- Investigate how to interpret your data.

<u>Venue</u>

Both workshops will take place at *March Community Centre*, 34 station Road, March, Cambs PE15 8LE.

Workshop Fee & Booking

£65 per workshop for all bookings made by Friday 30th March 2018

Those attending **both** workshops get a FREE follow-up session for their staff, helping them put theory into practice within your organisation.

To reserve a place on these unique workshops contact Linus Marray-Woods with your details: Email: <u>linus.lmwtraining@gmail.com</u> or Telephone: 07786-888653

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41. Serious Case Review Learning

Implementing Learning from Norfolk's Serious Case Reviews 2018 **NSCB** Roadshows Focusing on developing understanding of the Voice of the Child, building professional knowledge around intra-familial child sexual abuse and Harmful Sexual Behaviours and sharing learning from recent Norfolk Serious Case Reviews Target Audience – Front Line Practitioners and Managers There is an event planned for your locality, please see the dates below: West Tuesday 8th May – 9.00am to 3.00pm – Kings Lynn Football Club Breckland Wednesday 9th May – 9.00am to 3.00pm – The Green Britain Centre, Swaffham North Tuesday 15th May – 9.00am to 3.00pm – The Links Hotel, West Runton East Tuesday 22nd May – 9.00am to 3.00pm – Royal Assembly Rooms, Great Yarmouth South Wednesday 6th June – 9.00am to 3.00pm – Park Hotel, Diss City Thursday 7th June – 9.00am to 3.00pm – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich _____ There is no cost for attending these events but places are limited. Booking for these events is via the NSCB online booking system: http://www.norfolklscb.org/people-working-with-children/nscb-training/

Confirmation of places will be given by return email.

Norfolk Safeguarding Children Board – 01603 224228

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42. Family Support Process Training

The Family Support Process Core training will give you a good working knowledge of the Family Support Process including how to gain informed consent; how to complete the Family Support Form; who to involve; when to share information and how to plan the next steps.

In addition, as it is a multi-agency training course it offers you a chance to network with colleagues from other agencies.

Who should attend?

This training is suitable for people who work with children and young people aged 0-18 years or people who work with adults who have children. It is a multi-agency training course, and is open to all agencies and services in Norfolk. We recommend that at least one worker from your agency attend.

Full day course (9.15am - 4.30pm) except where stated

Breckland locality

• Dates to be announced

West locality

- Kings Lynn Fire Station, North Lynn Bypass 19 March 2018
- King's Lynn Fire Station, North Lynn Bypass 19 April 2018
- Hunstanton Children's Centre 9 May 2018
- King's Lynn Fire Station, North Lynn Bypass 18 July 2018
- King's Lynn Fire Station, North Lynn Bypass 9 October 2018

Although the courses are free they do have a cost implication for Children's Services if people don't attend. With this in mind please ensure that you advise at least seven working days in advance if you cannot attend. To do this get in touch with the locality contact

Please complete a <u>booking form</u> and return it to us by email at:

- Breckland <u>nicola.secker@norfolk.gov.uk</u>
- West <u>cs.earlyhelp.kingslynn@norfolk.gov.uk</u>

Please note without a booking form we will be unable to book you onto the training.

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43. Wellbeing of Children eLearning

The Child Outcomes Research Consortium (CORC), in partnership with the Anna Freud Learning Network, has developed its first ever online eLearning module.

'Measuring mental wellbeing to improve the lives of children and young people'

This eLearning aims to increase the awareness, understanding and confidence of nonspecialist and school staff who support the wellbeing and mental health of children or young people to access the benefits associated with measuring mental wellbeing. This free interactive short course aims to demystify and simplify the whole process of using outcomes and feedback measures to monitor mental wellbeing and is laid out in six easy to follow parts:

- 1. Understanding mental wellbeing
- 2. Introduction to outcome measures
- 3. The benefits of measuring mental wellbeing
- 4. Selecting and using measures
- 5. Best practice using measures
- 6. Using and interpreting data

Outcome measurement has become a focus of funders, commissioners and policy makers, as a tangible and reliable way in which to assess the welfare of children and young people in the care of wellbeing services and schools. The process can also have important benefits for the children and young people themselves as well as for associated professionals, projects, interventions and services.

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This course features engaging activities and quizzes to illustrate how staff can choose and use measures to monitor wellbeing and how to analyse wellbeing information to drive improvement and demonstrate effectiveness

http://www.corc.uk.net/elearning/

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44. ASD Education Support



EDUCATION SUPPORT SERVICE

Working with Schools and Parents to bridge the gap between support in the Home and School

Paid Training Packages

Accredited CPD Training

Autism In Education Level 3 Supporting Dsylexia Level 3 Supporting Students with Autism Level 4 Supporting Learners with SEN

Inset CPD Training

PDA Awareness ASD Awareness Mental Health and ASD Dyslexia/Dyspraxia Awareness Communication and Visual Strategies Mixed Neurodevelopmental Disorder Awareness

School Based Parent Courses

Parents and Autism Understanding Behaviour 'Say No and Mean it' Llving with your Teenager PDA Awareness ASD Awareness

Assessments and Profiles

EQA- Extreme Demnad Avoidance Sensory Profiles Oxford Registered School Refusal Questionnaire (Please note these are indication not for diagnosis) All assessments cost £15 per person

Assistance in accessing specialised support through the LA



Bespoke Packages Available

Tailored to your settings needs and financial restraints

Example already used:-

Setting pays £750 which includes 2 Parent Courses (over the academic year) whereby the setting can recoup costs from this package by charging parents that attend a fee, The setting then receives a free inset CPD training session (individually priced at £600 for a full day)

TRAINING@ASDHELPINGHANDS.ORG.UK 07884141299 WWW.ASDHELPINGHANDS.ORG.UK



ASD Helping Hands Room 219 Breckland Business Centre Saint Withburga Lane,

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45. Supporting ASD Training

Level 3 Supporting Children and Young People with Autism

The Gateway Qualifications Level 3 Award in Supporting Children and Young People with Autism is intended to provide continuous professional development (CPD) for both support and teaching staff who are responsible for facilitating the learning of children or young people with autism. Learners will gain an in-depth understanding of strategies that can be used to support the learning and development of children and young people with autism.

This qualification has been developed with the support of professionals offering CPD to staff working with children and young people with special educational needs. There are no restrictions to entry, other than that learners must be working in an environment where they are responsible for supporting the learning of one or more children or young people with autism

For full course specification please click here

The price for this course is £299.00 per learner and includes enrolment and course materials. Payment can be made through ASD Helping hands website or contact Helping Hands if this is not possible. Full payment will need to be received before Helping Hands can enroll you on this course. Funding maybe available for this course <u>check here</u>

Delivery will be through our online classroom and all information regarding setting this up will be delivered once your enrolment is complete. All you require is internet access, laptop or desktop computer and headphones (a microphone is suggested but optional) Evening Classes (6:00-8:00)

Session 1

April 18th 2018 April 25th 2018 May 2nd 2018 May 9th 2018 May 16th 2018 May 23rd 2018 **Session 2** October 31st 2018 November 7th 2018 November 14th 2018 November 21st 2018 November 28th 2018 December 5th 2018

For more information see <u>https://www.asdhelpinghands.org.uk/copy-of-level-4-supporting-learners</u>

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46. NSCB Training Programme

Norfolk Safeguarding Children Board Spring/Summer 2018 Training

Effective Multi-Agency Working 25th April 2018 – Kings Lynn Innovation Centre **Emotional Harm** 18th April 2018 – Kings Lynn Innovation Centre 14th June 2018 – Dereham Town Football Club Neglect 23rd April 2018 – Dereham Town Football Club 15th June 2018 – Kings Lynn Innovation Centre **Physical Harm** 18th April 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham Sexual Abuse – Introductory Level 6th June 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham **Child Sexual Exploitation** 16th May 2018 – Dereham Town Football Club 18th July 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham Managing Risk when Working with Children and Young People who have experienced **Child Sexual Abuse** 7th June 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham Assessment Skills with Children and Young People Displaying Harmful Sexual Behaviour **Effective Participation at Child Protection Conferences** 4th May 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham 18th July 2018 – The Woodside Centre, Norwich **Domestic Abuse and its Impact on Families** 9th May 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich 7th June 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham Substance Misuse within the Family 19th June 2018 – Kings Lynn Innovation Centre Awareness of Challenges when Working with Parents 14th June 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich Safeguarding Disabled Children (for Non-Specialist Professionals)

4th July 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich

Parents with Mental Health Issues

15th March 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham

Graded Care Profile and Assessing Parental Capacity to Change

2nd May 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich

18th July 2018 - Green Britain Centre, Swaffham

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Voice of the Child 13th June 2018 – Dereham Town Football Club **Professional Curiosity and Challenge** 17th April 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich 11th July 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham **Restorative Approaches** 24th April 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham 5th June 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich 19th June 2018 – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham 10th July 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich Signs of Safety 2 Day Course 5th and 6th June 2018 – Kings Lynn Innovation Centre 18th and 19th July 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich **Reflective Supervision Skills** 27th and 28th June 2018 – Abbey Conference Centre, Norwich Aims and learning outcomes for all these courses and information regarding charging are available on the training pages of the NSCB website. Applications for courses are via the NSCB website: https://www.norfolklscb.org/nscb-booking/nscb-booking-training/

Education places should be booked via Educator Solutions.

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Links to useful sites, reports and surveys

47. DA Consultation

The Government will, in 2018, introduce a new bill to assist in tackling domestic violence and abuse. No timeline for the draft bill has as yet been announced although there is a substantial amount of media surrounding its introduction. Substantive provisions will only apply to England and Wales. Send in your views to the consultation, a link to this is on the NSAB website (see news item <u>8th March 2018</u>)

Outline of the purpose of the Bill

Transform approach to DA and ensure victims have the confidence to come forward, report their experiences and be safe in the knowledge the state and the justice system will do everything it can do to support them and their children and pursue the abuser.

Benefit

Protect the victim

Provide greater guidance and clarity on impact of domestic abuse and violence on families.

Main elements of the bill

Creation of a Domestic Violence and Abuse Commissioner who will:

Stand up for victims and survivors

Raise public awareness

Monitor the response of statutory agencies and local authorities on tackling domestic violence and abuse

Hold the justice system to account in tackling domestic violence and abuse

Define domestic abuse in law that will underpin all other measures in the bill. Introduction of statutory definition (currently: Non-statutory Cross Government definition of domestic violence and abuse exists)

Creation of a consolidated new domestic abuse civil prevention and protection order regime

If abuse involves a child the sentencing is reflective of the devastating lifelong negative impact on that child. Creation of a new aggravated offence if behaviour is directed at a child.

(In addition to this bill the Courts Bill will re-introduce previously proposed measures to prevent alleged abusers cross-examining victims directly in family courts). It will be subject to a public consultation.

For a longer summary of the bill, see Christine Graham Consultancy Ltd

48. Case study for Outstanding Childrens Services

North Lincolnshire's Whole Council Approach

The LGA has published a <u>case study</u> on North Lincolnshire Council and their approach to improvement in Children's Services.

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49. Housing/ Mental Health Survey

As part of Mind's developing policy work on mental health and housing, over the summer the policy and campaigns team will be producing a housing rights guide to go on the Mind website. Towards generating this, they've put together a survey that they're pushing out through key networks to ensure they feed into the development of the guide, ensuring it address all relevant issues.

And the link to the survey link is: http://bit.ly/2ClwsOM

If you would like to contribute to the survey or know of any other organisations that might be able to contribute, we'd really appreciate you taking part or sending this on.

50. Sexting Advice for Parents

Sexting is defined as the sending or receiving of nude or seminude images or sexually explicit text messages and can happen when one person pressures another to send a nude or seminude photo

JAMA Pediatrics Patient Page provides some basic advice for parents with links to other websites

https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/fullarticle/2673714

51. SEND Sufficiency Strategy

The County Council is seeking the views of the local

area on the most effective use of a small amount of national capital investment and also to inform priorities for any potential future capital and revenue funding streams that may become available in the future for provision for children and young people with SEND.

We are interested in the views of professionals across the education, health and social care landscape, but we would especially like to receive the views of parents, carers and young people.

Further information is available on the Local Offer

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52. Safeguarding Adults Website

NEWS ITEMS

- Forced labour family jailed for 29 years | 15 March 2018
- Government will legislate to replace Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards | 15 March 2018
- Important event, please share with partners Probation stakeholder event 21st March | 15 March 2018
- Slavery and human trafficking in supply chains: guidance for businesses | 15 March 2018
- Parliament debate on secure tenancies for victims of domestic abuse | 15 March 2018

Please go to: Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB) then click on news

Also see the training page: *Open courses 2017-18: Mental Capacity Act & Safeguarding Adults - places still available* Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board: Training

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What's on April?

53. DASH Refresher Courses

DASH Refresher Courses – Norfolk Wide When and Where: 16th April – 1:30 -4:30 – Great Yarmouth Town Hall 2nd May – 9:30 – 12:30 – Breckland DC 19th June – 9:30 – 12:30 – North Walsham, Victory Housing Trust

TBC – Kings Lynn

You should come if you:

Pare a trained Domestic Abuse Champion

Completed your DASH training a while ago

I have not completed many/any DASH's

I Lack confidence in completing a DASH

² Complete DASH's regularly and want to touch base

Description Complete DASH's regularly and want to share learning

Please e-mail <u>da.change@norfolk.gov.uk</u> to confirm attendance and specify date

54. Nar Family Learning Courses

Family Learning Courses 2017/18 Nar & St Clements's Children's Centre

Saddlebow Road King's Lynn PE30 5BN

Family Learning covers a whole range of activities, courses and events that involve all family members exploring, discovering and learning together. Family Learning has proven to be a successful way of raising achievements of the whole family by providing learning opportunities for mums, dads, extended family members, carers and guardians.

All of our Family Learning courses are FREE to attend.

A Taste of Maths

FMXTM4717P Tuesday 17 April 2018, 1pm-3pm (1 session)

Families take part in fun activities with their child and discover ways to support the children's learning at home

Keeping up with the Children – Maths

FMXKM4817P Tuesday 24 April 2018, 1pm-3pm (5 sessions) Discover ways to support children's development at home and understand how maths is taught in school.

www.norfolk.gov.uk/adultlearning 01603 306530

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55. Signs of Safety 5 day Practice Lead Course

Signs of Safety 5-day Practice Lead course Venue: Green Britain Centre, Swaffham Dates: Monday 16th April – Friday 20th April 2018 (all 5 days to be completed) Times: 9.30am - 4.30pm Cost: £250 for the 5 days (this course would normally cost £750)



Places are limited – application does not necessarily mean that you will be allocated a place. There is an expectation that if you complete this training that you will act as a Practice Leader – please see the attached details on the role of a practice lead – and take responsibility for supporting and developing good practice in this approach.

If you are interested in attending this training and have the support of your manager, an expression of interest should be made to Genevieve Bouquet at <u>genevieve.bouquet@norfolk.gov.uk</u>

You should hold the date in your diary –places will be allocated closer to the date.

The Role of Practice Leader

The role of Practice Leader is crucial to the successful implementation of Signs of Safety. Training has been received very positively, we now need to maintain momentum and go on to develop confident, skilled practitioners with a profound depth of practice. This will be the role of the Practice Leader -stimulating, challenging and driving the development of Signs of Safety through the whole organisation. You will need to work together and be pro-active planning developments in your teams and within localities and as a County

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56. Wellbeing Webinars

Norfolk and Waveney run a series of on line Webinars aiming to support people experiencing mild to moderate symptoms of low mood or depression

All Webinar bookings must be made one week in advance prior to the start date to



ensure a place on the course. Bookings received after the 7day cut off will automatically be placed on the next available date.

05 Apr Retraining Your Thinking - Online Webinar – 1:00pm to 2:30pm Retraining Your Thinking is a course of three sessions of one-and-a-half hours.

17 Apr Introduction to Mindfulness Workshop – Erpingham – 9:45am to 11:45am Introduction to Mindfulness is a one-and-a-half hour workshop that provides an overview of the principles and techniques of mindfulness.

18 Apr Introduction to Mindfulness - Online Webinar – 4:00pm to 5:30pm Introduction to Mindfulness is a one-and-a-half hour workshop that provides an overview of the principles and techniques of mindfulness.

19 Apr Retraining Your Thinking - Online Webinar – 1:00pm to 2:30pm Retraining Your Thinking is a course of three sessions of one-and-a-half hours.

23 Apr Successful Study - online webinar – 5:00pm to 6:00pm Successful Study is a one hour webinar workshop written to help with the process of study.

01 May Stress Control - Online Webinar – 6:00pm to 8:00pm Designed to teach a broad range of techniques for managing all aspects of stress.

10 May Positive Wellbeing - Online Webinar – 1:00pm to 2:30pm Positive Wellbeing is a course of weekly two-hour sessions running over four weeks, designed for people experiencing mild to moderate symptoms of low mood or depression

16 May Introduction to Mindfulness - Online Webinar – 4:00pm to 5:30pm Workshop that provides an overview of the principles and techniques of mindfulness.

30 May Positive Wellbeing - Online Webinar – 1:00pm to 2:30pm Positive Wellbeing is a course of weekly two-hour sessions running over four weeks, designed for people experiencing mild to moderate symptoms of low mood or depression

31 May Retraining Your Thinking - Online Webinar – 1:00pm to 2:30pm Retraining Your Thinking is a course of three sessions of one-and-a-half hours

To book: Call: 0300 123 1503 Email: <u>admin@wellbeingnandw.co.uk</u> Or via our website: <u>https://www.wellbeingnands.co.uk/courses/</u>

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57. Library Events

Dersingham Library Events in April

For further information about events and to book please call 01485 540181

Dersingham now has Open Library meaning you can access the library **between 8am and 7pm Monday to Friday**, as long as you are registered. This gives customers self-service access to library materials, public computers and quiet, creative spaces even while the building is unstaffed. Please contact the library for more information and to find out how to register for Open Libraries.

Weekly events:

Scrabble club - Mondays 1.30-3pm Knit and natter - Thursday's 10.30-12 10-10.30am Just a cuppa – Wednesdays 2-3pm Baby bounce and rhyme – Thursday term time

Volunteers needed!

- Could you help inspire the next generation of computer coders? We want to run an after school **Coding Club at the Library**, using projects from the Code Club website.
- Could you spare some time to help tidy up the **library garden**?
- Could you help develop ideas for events held at the library as a **Library Friend** and promote the library and its services within the local community?

Please contact Alison at the library on 01485 540181 if you'd like to find out more.

Peer support group for Carers led by the Alzheimer's Society – Tuesday April 3rd 10-12 For further information contact the Alzheimer's Society on 01603 763556

Colour yourself calm - Wednesday 4th April 10.30-12

Just bring along your colouring books and pens. Tea and coffee is available.

Crime Book Club - Monday 9th April 5.45-6.45pm (please note new start time)

New members always welcome! Ask staff for details of the books being discussed.

Dog's Trust activities – Wednesday 11th April 10.30-11.30am

Come and join Jo Goodman, Education and Community Officer for East Anglia, for a morning of dog related activities and simple crafts! This event is suitable for children under 12 and their parents or carers. This event is free but booking is essential. Please call 01485 540181.

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Big Garden Weed – Friday 13th April 10-12

Could you spare some time to help tidy up the library garden? Just bring along your gloves, a trowel or fork, and we'll supply the tea and cake. Contact the library for more information.

Book Club - Monday 16th April 5.45-6-45pm (please note new start time)

New members always welcome. Ask staff for details of the books being discussed

Boudicca, Rebel Queen - Thursday 26th April 7.30pm

The ancient tale of how Queen Boudicca rallied the Britons in an apocalyptic struggle with the Imperial might of Rome. This event, which sent shockwaves through the history of Britain, is recreated in this dramatic and humorous show by three of Norfolk's finest storytellers. 90 mins plus interval, suitable for ages 14+. Tickets are £5 per person payable in advance. Refreshments will also be available.

Walk and talk group – Thursday 19th April 2.30pm

Join our volunteers for a short walk around the village and then refreshments at the library afterwards. This walk is perfect for those wanting to gently build up their walking stamina.

Need help with your computer or tablet?

Why not book a one-to-one session with library staff? Charges apply. Please ask staff for details.

Family History and Computer volunteer

You can also book one-to-one sessions with our volunteers. Just ask staff for details.

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Downham Market Library Events April 2018

For further information about events or to book where necessary please call 01366 383073

Volunteers needed!

- Could you help inspire the next generation of computer coders? We want to run a **Coding Club at the Library**, using projects from the Code Club website.
- Could you help develop ideas for events held at the library as a **Library Friend** and promote the library and its services within the local community?
- Could you help with refreshments at our coffee mornings?

Please contact Fran at the library on 01366 383073 if you'd like to find out more.

Regular events

Baby bounce and rhyme - Thursdays – 10-10.30 term time only Come along and enjoy some songs and rhymes.

Knit and Natter – 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in month. 1.30 – 3pm

Brew and Banter – Every Friday 10am – 12 noon. 50p suggested donation. Enjoy a chat over a tea or coffee.

Job Help – free help with using the Universal Jobsmatch website. Wednesday mornings or Friday mornings/afternoons. Booking essential.

Active Minds – Puzzles, board games and colouring. Every Thursday 1.30 – 3.30pm.

Special events

Downham Market Library Friends Saturday 7th April 10.30 - 11.30am Come along and join the Friends group to find out how you can support your local library.

The History of Oxburgh Hall Monday 30th April 1.30 - 2.30pm Tickets £3, refreshments included, payable on booking. Booking essential.

April Storytime'sThursday 5 & Thursday 1210.30-11.30Free, no need to book.Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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Gaywood Library Events April 2018

For further information about events or to book where necessary please call 01553 768498

Volunteers needed!

• Could you help inspire the next generation of computer coders? We want to run a **Coding Club at the Library**, using projects from the Code Club website.

• Could you help develop ideas for events held at the library as a **Library Friend** and promote the library and its services within the local community?

Please contact Helen at the library on 01553 768498 if you'd like to find out more.

Regular events

Baby bounce and rhyme - Tuesdays – 10-10.30 term time only Come along and enjoy some songs and rhymes, no need to book.

Scrabble group Mondays - 10 to 12 (except Bank Holidays) Enjoy a game of scrabble! Places on a first come basis.

Just a Cuppa – Mondays 10 – 12 (except Bank Holidays) Come along and enjoy a cuppa for a small donation.

Knit and Knatter – 4th Friday in month 10am to 12 noon – 27th April

Colouring in Good Company – Fridays 2pm – 4pm Pens, colouring in provided.

Chess Club – Saturdays 10am – 12 noon Chess sets provided but you can also bring your own if preferred.

Audio Book Club – 1st Thursday in month 2 to 3.30pm – 5th April

Fenland Computer Club – meets at the library every Thursday from 7pm. For further information speak to Barry on 01553 672698

Slimming World meets at the library on Wednesday afternoons. For further information see <u>www.slimmingworld.com</u>

Reading groups – the library hosts 2 groups – one that meets Thursday/Friday afternoons, the other which meets Thursday evenings. Contact the library on 01553 768498 to find out more.

The library also hosts **Paper folding, book folding** and **quilling groups.** Contact the library for further information.

Need help with your computer or tablet?

Why not book a one-to-one session with library staff? Charges apply. Please ask staff for details.

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Special events

Come along and meet the Gaywood Library Friends Tuesday 3rd April 10am – 12 noon If you'd like to find out more about becoming a Gaywood Library Friend then pop along for a cuppa and to meet some of the group.

Animal Antics Storytime! Tuesday 3rd April 10.30 – 11.30am

Come along for lots of animal stories and activities with staff from the Vancouver Children's Centre.

Stories suitable for children up to 7 but activities open to all children.

Dog's Trust activities – Thursday 5th April 10.30 -12pm

Come and join Jo Goodman, Education and Community Officer for East Anglia, for a morning of dog related activities and simple crafts! This event is suitable for children under 12 and their parents or carers. This event is free but booking is essential. Please call 01553 761393.

Arthritis Care Support Group Wednesday 11th April 12pm – 2pm

Drop in to Gaywood Arthritis Care Support Group to get Peer Support, Information, Tips on Living well with Arthritis.

Sleep Clinic Tuesday 17th April and 1st May, 11am – 11.30am Free Sleep Clinic for parents/carers of children with sleep deprivation. Booking essential.

The History of Oxburgh Hall Wednesday 25th April 1 - 2pm

Tickets £3, refreshments included, payable on booking. Booking essential.

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Hunstanton Library Events April 2018

For further information about events and to book please call 01485 532280 Regular weekly events

Chess Club – Every 10.30-12.30 (7th, 14th, 21st and 28th April)

Baby Bounce and rhyme –every Monday (term time) from 2-2.30pm 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th April

Board Gamers – every Tuesday 2-3pm. come and enjoy some card and board games. Refreshments provided. 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th April

Job help session - Every Wednesday 3-5pm (Booking essential) - Want help to update your CV, using Universal Jobmatch, and searching for jobs online? Then why not book in for a 30 minute session with staff to get you started. Please call 01485 532280 to book! 4th, 11th, 18th and the 25th April.

Just a cuppa – every Friday from 10.30-11.30 6th, 13th, 20th and the 27th April

The Library Lads – every Friday 2-3pm. Relax, make friends, enjoy some card and board games, discuss a hobby or just stop by for a chat and a cuppa. 6th, 13th, 20th and the 27th April

Volunteers needed! Please contact the library on 01485 532280 if you'd like to find out more

• Could you help inspire the next generation of computer coders? We want to run an after school **Coding Club at the Library**, using projects from the Code Club website.

- Could you spare some time to help during **Job Help** supporting people writing a CV, job searching and using universal jobmatch?
- Could you help develop ideas for events held at the library as a **Library Friend** and promote the library and its services within the local community?
- Could you help motivate under 5s by hosting **Mini Movers**, keeping kids active with some activities and rhymes? Or be a **Saturday Storyteller**, reading stories to a small group?

• Could you help support people learning to read? Enquire about becoming a **Reading Pathways Coach**.

Yet More Old stuff – Thursday 5th April 10-12

Come and check out some seriously old stuff and have a trip down memory lane on the first Thursday of every month. There's no need to book—just come along. Refreshments available for a small charge.

Knit and Natter- Thursday 12th April 10.30-12.30

Colour yourself calm – Monday 9th and 23rd April 10.30-12

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Book Club – Monday 9th April 2.30pm

New members always welcome. Ask staff for details of the books being discussed.

Dog's Trust activities – Wednesday 11th April 1.30-2.30pm

Come and join Jo Goodman, Education and Community Officer for East Anglia, for a morning of dog related activities and simple crafts! This event is suitable for children under 12 and their parents or carers. This event is free but booking is essential. Please call 01485 532280.

Walk and talk group - Tuesday 17th April 2.30pm from the library

A short walk around the town and then refreshments at the library afterwards. This walk is perfect for those wanting to gently build up their walking stamina.

Boudicca, Rebel Queen – Wednesday 18th April 7.30pm

The ancient tale of how Queen Boudicca rallied the Britons in an apocalyptic struggle with the Imperial might of Rome. This event, which sent shockwaves through the history of Britain, is recreated in this dramatic and humorous show by three of Norfolk's finest storytellers. 90 mins plus interval, suitable for ages 14+. Tickets are £5 per person payable in advance. Refreshments will also be available.

Need help with your computer or tablet?

Why not book a one-to-one session with library staff? Charges apply. Please ask staff for details.

Family History and Computer volunteers

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Lynn Library Events April 2018

For further information about events and to book please call 01553 761393 Regular weekly events

Just a cuppa - Mondays 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Baby bounce and rhyme – Mondays and Thursdays 10-10.30am

Colour yourself calm – Tuesdays 10.30-12

Scrabble club – Wednesdays 10 – 12pm

Job Help - Fridays 2-5pm

Let's talk – English conversation for speakers of other languages – Wednesday 2-3pm, Friday 6-7pm

Just a Cuppa – Every Saturday 11am-12 noon

Games Time – Every Saturday 2-4pm

Join us every Saturday afternoon for fun and games. Bring a friend and play some of the new games that we now have, including Trivial Pursuit, Mexican Train and Dobble!

Other Events

Strange Superstitions and Marvellous Monsters – Tuesday 3rd April 2.30pm-3.30pm

From vampire watermelons to sausage saints! Ever wondered exactly why it is seven years bad luck to break a mirror? Lindsey Bavin, Museum Manager at True's Yard Fisherfolk Museum in King's Lynn, will take you on a tour of the brilliantly bizarre origins of our superstitions and the sometimes hilariously horrifying things that go bump in the night! This is a free event – but booking is essential.

Trivial Pursuit -Thursday 5th April 10am-12 noon

Come and join us for a lively game of Trivial Pursuit.

Read and Rabbit – Friday 6th April 10.30am – 11.30am

This fun book group meets on the first Friday of the month. There is no set book and it is open to all readers. So come along make friends and talk about the books you love reading.

Tune into Words – Thursday 12th April 2.30pm-3.30pm

A monthly get together for all those who love listening to words....stories, poems. Plays or whatever!!!

Come along, listen and chat. Refreshments available.

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History Discussion Group - Wednesday 11th April 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Enjoy History? Like to share and hear other people's thoughts and views? Then come to our discussion group on history's top issues.

Knit and Knatter – Tuesday 17th April 10 – 12pm

If you haven't picked up those needles for a while or want to learn, come along and join us for a knit and knatter.

Local History Club – Thursday 19th April 10am – 12noon

Use the library's wide collection of resources. Photographs, school logs, books, newspaper cuttings and much, much more.

Friday Night Book club- Friday 20th April 6pm-7pm

Looking for a good read? Want to discuss books with others? Then join our monthly book group at King's Lynn Library which meets on the third Friday of the month at the library from 6-7pm

Another Murder Mystery Event – Saturday 21st April 6pm – 8pm

Have a go at solving this whodunit, written by Anne Cleeves...this time set in Northumberland. Tickets £5 per person, refreshments included. To book, call the library on 01553 772568

Need help with your computer or tablet?

Why not book a one-to-one session with library staff? Charges apply. Please ask staff for details.

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What's on May?

58. Carers Matter Norfolk

Carers Matter Norfolk is the new carer's service for the county of Norfolk which started in October. The service will provide 1:1 support, carers groups (they are hoping to use libraries) and an on-line pod to provide advice. They are intending to build a network of volunteers to offering continuing support. Referral by Freephone number 0800 0831148 or via website www.CarersMatterNorfolk.org.uk

Locality Networks

'The Locality Network meetings are for carers and people working with carers to come together and share information about services and support for carers. To identify what works well, what could be improved and any gaps in services'.

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Norwich	South Norfolk	West Norfolk
Costessey Centre,	South Norfolk House,	A Piece of Mind King's Lynn,
1 Longwater Lane,	Cygnet Court,	Saunders Yard, Austin
Costessey, Norwich,	Long Stratton, Norwich	Street, King's Lynn, Norfolk,
NR8 5AH (Lions Room)	NR15 2XE	PE30 1PH
All Thursday's	All Tuesday's	All Thursday's
2018	2018	2018
24th May	15th May	10th May
19th July	10th July	5th July
20th September	11th September	6th September
22nd November	13th November	8th November
Contact: Louise Goold, Networks Facilitator, louise.goold@carersmatternorfolk.org		
Or 07508 035428		

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Volunteering/ Job Opportunities

59. Shaw Trust Volunteers

Shaw Trust is a charity that aims to support communities through a range of activities, including the Work and Health Programme, which is a programme we are delivering across Norfolk. Participants coming on to this programme face significant barriers into employment and we are working with them to improve their chances of finding long-term sustainable work, as well as their overall wellbeing.

We are offering new voluntary roles alongside this programme and would love to hear from people in the local communities who feel they can support participants. Those roles are:

Volunteer Coach – Using skills and experience in recruitment processes, such as CV reviews, interview preparation and identifying transferable skills, to coach participants to be better prepared for these processes.

We are also looking for people with coaching / mentoring experience who could help participants achieve specific goals to improve aspects of their lives.

Community Engagement Volunteer – Could you help our customers to access services in their community and make the most of their local area, improving their confidence and wellbeing? We are looking for volunteers with good knowledge of their local community to support participants in finding out about clubs, events, courses and services; joining those and perhaps supporting to attend initially.

Social Activities Volunteer – Help improve participants' wellbeing by running a class or activity such as art / craft, yoga, meditation, a walking group. This could be in a Shaw Trust or community site.

Shaw Trust Volunteers are given full training (online) and inductions, and we recognise the impact they have through awards and events. It is a well-supported volunteer programme with regular contact from the volunteer team, and guidance from the local Support Manager.

To find out more and apply please contact Chantal: <u>Chantal.renn@shaw-trust.org.uk</u> or the volunteer team on: 0300 247 2222

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