

HADCA Voluntary and Community Sector news,
views and opportunities in Harrogate District

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Community Action



The Gift of Kindness and Care



The Winter edition of 'Care in Action' includes just some of the many examples of people coming together in Harrogate District to tackle unprecedented challenges this year.

We have been raising awareness of the contribution volunteers are making in community organisations across the district and harnessing the time, skills and kindness contributed by both existing and new volunteers. For the first time this year THE LOCAL FUND is available towards running costs, as we want to ensure these vital good



HADCA Members in the Spotlight

This edition of Care in Action features New Beginnings Peer Support Group on page 15. Read about how they ensure female survivors of domestic abuse continue to gain access to support long after crisis services have resettled the individual or family.

causes are not themselves left struggling at the time they are most needed. As lockdown restrictions continue, our message is that we are very much still 'Here to HELP' anyone who may be struggling whilst having to stay at home.

You can read about the work of New Beginnings, Jennyruth Workshops and Ripon Museums and how our HELP staff and volunteer team have been keeping people safe, well, connected and supported at home since the start of the pandemic in March.

There's a lot more included in our 16 page Newsletter, so why not make a cuppa and find out how we've been promoting, supporting and connecting local charities, volunteers and communities over the last few months.

[Read Care in Action](#)

If you know someone who would appreciate a paper copy sending, please do [let us know](#) and we'll get one to them.

Where To Turn for food and essential items over the holiday period and where to donate



Christmas Kindness

2020 has been a difficult year in many ways. Although we can't change our situation, we can choose to respond with kindness and give people hope for a positive future. We've put together a few ideas for Harrogate district [here](#)



**THE LOCAL FUND
2020**

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Local community food providers are here to help anyone in need of food in Harrogate district with food parcels including basic provisions and some cooked meals. Many local community groups are also trying to make Christmas special for people this year with hampers and small gifts.

A [food support leaflet for Christmas and New Year](#) has been produced by Harrogate Borough Council listing some of the providers, who may also sign post to further assistance. The leaflet also gives details of how to make food donations and Christmas appeals for gifts.

Having worked so hard over the last 8 months, many local charities and volunteer led groups are taking a well-earned break over the holiday period. Please note that in order for people to receive food before Christmas there are cut off dates and these are relevant to donations too so that anything received can be given out in advance of the holiday period. Please check [the leaflet](#) for details.

left struggling at the time they are most needed. **Apply by 11 January 2021**

[Read more on page 8](#)



THE LOCAL LOTTO

is a fun way to support a cause that matters to you with over 100 local good causes signed up – and you could be a winner!

You can [buy THE LOCAL LOTTO Gift Vouchers](#) starting from just £5 – give the gift of giving to local good causes this Christmas.



As well as the Christmas Day lunch at St Peters in Harrogate included in the leaflet, there is also [lunch available at Knaresborough Cricket Club](#) for anyone in need (updates on the [Facebook page](#)) and [Portofino Restaurant in Harrogate is offering a free meal to anyone homeless on Christmas Day](#) 2-4pm.

More information on local support during the coronavirus pandemic maybe found on our website [here](#)

Local support services and online activities are also listed in our searchable [HADCA Where To Turn Community Information Directory for Harrogate district](#)



Cheers for our Volunteers

Sadly the 13th Harrogate & District Volunteering Oscars couldn't take place this year due to Covid-19 restrictions, but at our HADCA AGM local charities took the opportunity to say a virtual thank you and to celebrate the huge contribution volunteers make.

Where To Turn

Our [free online resource](#) is for people in Harrogate District looking for charity services, information, advice or a listening ear in difficult times, with categories of 'coronavirus support' and 'online activities' to reflect changes during the Covid-19 outbreak.

[Search Now](#)



Our [HADCA Volunteering Directory](#) is searchable by activity; cause; availability; or volunteering from home to help people find something they enjoy.

Do you need extra help with fundraising, social media, phone befriending, in charity

Enjoy our Celebration video [here](#). There is so much to take heart from and to give encouragement as we look ahead.



Here To Help

Painting a garden bench, repairing a gate, collecting prescriptions, doing tip runs, moving a freezer, reading a meter, changing lightbulbs, checking a door lock - phew! A week in the life of the Help at Home team supporting local residents.

We help reduce anxiety by running errands or doing a job that desperately needs doing around the house, such as our Help at Home support workers helping move furniture so that people can return home from hospital to a safe environment.

<http://www.helpharrogate.org.uk>

shops or on your board?

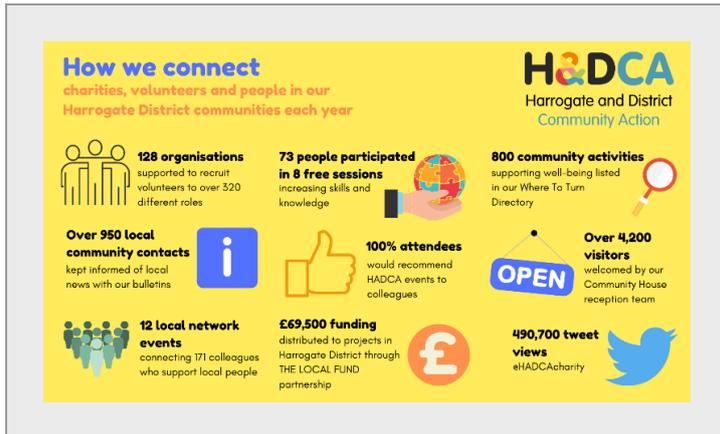
It's free and easy to advertise your volunteering opportunities, so please visit our [website](#) and sign up or log in. Our local team is here to help volunteer recruiters looking to find their ideal match.



Join us at Harrogate Community House

This month we're very happy to welcome Harrogate Town AFC Community Charity as new tenants. Read about the exciting plans for the charity [here](#)

If you would like to join them and are interested in knowing more about the offices now available please [email us](#)



HADCA e-bulletins

'This is a brilliant bulletin - your newsletters spark off so many ideas.'

Don't miss out on any online training or funding opportunities and make sure you get a chance to respond to consultations on issues that matter to you. Our HADCA e-bulletins are packed full of the latest news, funding, resources and local services and are being issued weekly during the coronavirus outbreak.

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