

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

FEBRUARY 2022

Welcome to your February Community Bulletin. We are continuing to produce a monthly bulletin with our health and community partners to keep you updated about community activity across Rossendale. This will include information on community group activities, events, health information and community training opportunities. We hope you will find the bulletin useful.

All published Community Bulletins are available at

https://www.rossendale.gov.uk/downloads/download/11317/coronavirus_community_bulletins

Feel free to share the bulletin with friends, community groups and on community group social media. If you have some information that you would like to share in the next bulletin, or you would like to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please contact us at communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk

COVID ADVICE

From 17th January:

- People self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative on both day 5 and day 6 and do not have a temperature
- Individuals who are still positive on their rapid lateral flow tests must stay in isolation until they have had 2 consecutive negative tests taken on separate days

From 27th January:

- venues and events will no longer be required by law to use the NHS COVID Pass. The NHS COVID Pass can still be used on a voluntary basis as was previously the case in Plan A
- face coverings are no longer required by law in any setting. Public health guidance will remain in place, suggesting individuals should continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces, where you may come into contact with people you do not normally meet
- People are no longer be advised to work from home

COMMUNITY INFORMATION



Some great news....based on the success of our Christmas Family Film showing we are going to continue with monthly showings at the ABD Community Cinema in Bacup.

To start with some dates for you to save!

- January 28th
- February 25th
- March 25th
- April 29th

Films to be confirmed soon. Find out more on the ABD Centre Facebook page

Other showing may be added between these dates to cover things like new releases, school holidays, silver screen etc...

All showings last Friday of the month. Doors open 6:00pm film starts 6:30pm.

All tickets only £1.00!

If you have any film requests please do let us know.

ABD Centre, Burnley Road, Bacup, T: 01706 874111 M: 07447960045

<https://www.abdcentre.org.uk/>



WORKING
with
RURAL
COMMUNITIES

Lancashire Constabulary in partnership with the Police and Crime Commissioner's Office and the Lancashire Partnership Against Crime are hosting a series of events across Lancashire to officially introduce our Rural Task Force for your area.

The main objective of the event will be to discuss how we plan to police rural Lancashire with the support of our communities. It will give us an opportunity to tell you what we have been doing to tackle rural, wildlife and heritage crime, but will also give you the chance to influence how we prioritise our rural officers and staff over the next 12 months.

There will be a number of presentations on the day from guest speakers which will be relevant to current threats; alongside our latest partnership initiatives to prevent and reduce crime. Working with rural communities is key to tackling and reducing crime and keeping rural Lancashire a safe place to live.

We hope you will be able to attend one of the following events in your area

Monday 7th February 2022

09:00 hours - 13:00 hours - Browsholme Hall and Tithe Barn – Clitheroe.

Thursday 10th February 2022

09:00 hours - 13:00 hours - The Ashcroft – Rossendale.

Friday 11th February 2022

09:00 hours - 13:00 hours - Lancaster House Hotel – Lancaster.

Thursday 24th February 2022

09:00 hours - 13:00 hours - Hurlston Hall – Ormskirk.

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

To book your **FREE** delegate place scan the QR code and register or visit www.lanpac.co.uk
Places are limited.



Day Trips

Thursday 24th March

Leeds city centre **or** The Royal Armouries

Tuesday 19th April

Kendal and Morecambe

Friday 6th May

Southport

Competitive prices and local collection points

More details and booking forms available from David
Hollows

07452984899 / david.hollows@gmail.com

or visit the website –

www.rossendalemethodistcircuit.co.uk

All trips organised by the Rossendale Methodist Circuit

All welcome

Step towards
employment
A free club for job seekers.

Friendly, practical support to
help you step confidently
into employment.



Beginning on 27th January Trinity Baptist Church, Bacup will be hosting a CAP Job Club for anyone wanting help with finding employment, running from 10.30-12 each Thursday morning.

This is a free course and open to all.

Why not come and get some free refreshments first from our community drop-in, which runs every Thursday from 10-12?

Friends of Bacup Cemetery Fairwell Cemetery

Volunteers providing some TLC for Bacup Cemetery

February dates:

Sunday 13th February

Sunday 27th February

10 am-12.00 noon



Cutting back, edging paths, general tidying
No skills or experience needed. Gloves and tools provided
Please wear sensible shoes/boots and bring your own drinks

Meeting at the first car park on the left

Hope to see you then (Toilets will be open)

Tel:- Pat Smith on 07751 380392 for more details



VACANCIES



Freelance Artistic Director Cotton Shed Theatre Company

This exciting position of Freelance Artistic Director is a new post, suitable for an experienced and creative individual to lead an artistic team within an established Theatre Company in Rossendale, East Lancashire.

This is a role for someone who has the passion, vision and creative drive to lead an inclusive theatre company artistically, developing and implementing artistic policy and delivering its artistic vision.

The successful candidate will have a breadth of experience at a senior level in the artistic sector and well-honed skills as a creative practitioner. They will be knowledgeable about inclusive theatre and its potential to enrich lives. They will also be demonstrably committed to the inclusion and participation of diverse communities.

Cotton Shed is unique to the local area and entering its 15th year of delivering quality inclusive arts. The role is a great opportunity for someone who is dedicated to creating high quality programmes and has a clear vision of how to lead inclusive practice within the arts.

We are looking to engage an Artistic Director initially on a freelance contract basis, with flexible part-time or full-time hours to be negotiated. The post will commence in April 2022. The successful candidate will have to undergo an Enhanced DBS check and provide references. For further information on Cotton Shed go to www.cottonshedtheatre.co.uk

For an application pack please email Zac Hackett - Cotton Shed Consultant on office@cottonshedtheatre.co.uk or telephone 07852 498427

Closing date: Friday 11th February 2022 - 5pm



OPERATION SNAP LAUNCHED MAKING OUR ROADS SAFER

A secure online portal for reporting and submitting digital evidence

Lancashire Constabulary is dedicated to making the roads of Lancashire as safe as possible and wish to create an atmosphere where people do not drive in a careless or antisocial manner.

They have introduced a secure online portal for reporting and submitting digital evidence of suspected moving traffic offences witnessed by members of the public. This is part of the response to the increasing submissions received from members of the public in relation to safety issues on our roads.

Op Snap provides a real and practical opportunity for members of the public to do their part to help keep their communities and roads safe by reporting unacceptable driving. The material submitted must fit several criteria, which can be found on the FAQ page over on the website: <https://www.lancashire.police.uk/public-submission-of-dashcam-footage-faqs/>

If you believe you have witnessed a road traffic offence and have digital footage of this incident, this can be submitted to the OpSnapLancs team by visiting <https://unitedkingdom1cpp-portal.digital-policing.co.uk/lancashire/appeal/public-dashcam-submission>

We respectfully ask you not to contact the Police on 101, 999 or online as other departments will not be able to advise you on the status of your submission.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING



Living Well with MS

Are you recently diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis or need more information on living well and what services and support are available?

**Saturday 12th February 2022 from 10.30am – 2.45pm
A virtual event via Zoom**

The MS Society groups across Lancashire invite you to join us at this free event where we will be exploring topics such as managing fatigue, finance and the benefits of both nutrition and exercise.

There will also be opportunity to meet with your local MS group and find out what services and support they offer. Groups attending include:

- Blackburn with Hyndburn and Darwen Group
- Blackpool Fylde and Wyre Group
- Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale Group
- Chorley and Leyland Group
- Lancaster and Morecambe Group
- Preston Group
- West Lancashire Group

Limited availability - book your places now

Booking required: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/living-well-with-ms-in-lancashire-tickets-230766417567> or ring 020 8438 0753

This event is free of charge.

MS Helpline: 0808 800 8000 (Freephone)

helpline@mssociety.org.uk - www.mssociety.org.uk

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East Lancashire Hospitals
NHS Trust

Young People's Mental Health

Concerned about your Mental Health?
Are you under 18 or concerned about
someone under 18?

Advice sessions are available on-line via
Attend Anywhere

Log on using the hyperlink - <https://nhs.vc/HLSC/CAMHS>

Enter the word "drop" as the first name and "in" as the second name followed by your date of birth. You will then enter our virtual waiting area where we will collect you.

Tues	1	February	1pm - 3pm
Wed	9	February	3pm - 5pm
Wed	23	February	5pm - 7pm

Safe | Personal | Effective



Support Your Community

Support the health and wellbeing of residents in your community by volunteering for our Social Prescribing programme.



Increase Confidence



Get Outdoors



Attend Community Activities



Support To Achieve Goals



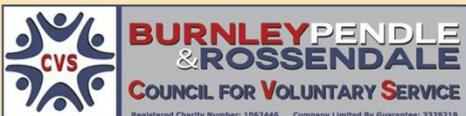
Enable Independence



Support the Social Prescribing team

All this and more makes this a highly rewarding role that makes a genuine difference to people's lives.

To express interest or for more information contact Sue Cole on 01282 433740 Ext. 1012 or email Susan.Cole@bprcvs.co.uk



FUNDING

ROSSENDALE COMMUNITY FUND



The Rossendale Community Fund has been created by Rossendale Borough Council in partnership with the Community Foundation for Lancashire to offer grants to support projects that help families and children & young people engage in community activities and learning.

Applications should enable families and young people up to the age of 25 to flourish, learn and develop skills or knowledge. This includes education, training, sports development, arts and culture activities and also play provision for younger children. Please note that revenue projects and those working directly with beneficiaries are a priority rather than one off capital purchases or refurbishment costs. The panel will also consider projects that are addressing the impact of the COVID pandemic, provided they meet the broad focus of the fund.

Who can apply: Registered charities, social enterprises and constituted community groups. Applicants must have a physical base and track record of delivery within Rossendale. National organisations who do not have a branch in the borough are not eligible. Grants of up to £750 are available

How to apply: Go to www.lancsfoundation.org.uk

The next closing date is **Friday 18 February 2022 (5pm)** and applicants should expect to hear the outcome of their application by the end of March.



LET'S CREATE - QUEEN'S JUBILEE FUND

Let's create - Queen's Jubilee Fund is a new fund the Community Foundation has just launched

The Let's Create Jubilee Fund will support voluntary and community groups to develop creative and cultural activities as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in June 2022. The fund has been created by Arts Council England (ACE) with funds from the National Lottery. The fund will support new creative and cultural activities developed for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022. The below guidelines provide further information on the fund.

Funding of between £750 and £10,000 is available.

The fund guidelines are available at [https://www.bprcvs.co.uk/images/linked-files/Funding/Arts Council England Lets Create Jubilee Fund Programme Guide lines.pdf](https://www.bprcvs.co.uk/images/linked-files/Funding/Arts_Council_England_Lets_Create_Jubilee_Fund_Programme_Guide_lines.pdf)

The fund can be applied to via this link <https://lancsfoundation.org.uk/funds/lets-create-jubilee-fund->

The closing date is 28th February 2022.

ROSSENDALE CARBON REDUCTION FUND

Rossendale Borough Council has set up a Carbon Reduction Fund to support Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) and Community Buildings to reduce their carbon footprint.

The primary criterion for applications to the fund is CO2 savings per pound spent. The carbon reduction grants are intended to help facilitate projects whose primary aim is to reduce CO2 emissions within the Borough of Rossendale.

Applications who are able to provide a quantitative estimate of CO2 savings that result from their proposed activity will be favoured.

The fund is supported by the East Lancashire Chamber of Commerce (ELCC) who will provide free carbon audit/technical report for eligible charities/community organisations to establish baseline data and advise on appropriate carbon reduction measures.

The fund is for smaller locally based charities and constituted community organisations not registered as a business and which own or rent community buildings.

Local charities and constituted community organisations can apply for between £1000 minimum up to a maximum £5000 per project.

Match funding is not required for charities/community organisations though it may help prioritise your application in our grant allocation.

To register interest and for further information about the scheme and the application process please email climatechange@rossendalebc.gov.uk



FUNDING FOR FOOD INSECURITY

We're running another round of the Lancashire Community Food Grant Scheme and it's now open for applications

Similarly to the previous round, this **funding is aimed at local organisations within the voluntary, community and faith sector that deliver projects to tackle food insecurity**. There's funding in the region of £20,000 available.

Groups can apply for up to £1,000 and the **closing date for applications is Sunday 20th February**.

More details on the grant scheme and how to apply are available at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/grants/community-project-support/lancashire-community-food-grant-scheme/#:~:text=The%20Community%20Food%20Grant%20Scheme,projects%20to%20tackle%20food%20insecurity

LOCAL MEMBER GRANTS SCHEME

A scheme which will give small grants to community, voluntary and faith groups has launched this week.

The initiative, called the Local Member Grants Scheme, will see each county councillor being given an annual budget so they can provide funds to groups in their area.

These grants can be used to fund everything from games equipment and books, to computer tablets or trips out.

More information at: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/grants/local-member-grants-scheme/>

LANCASHIRE BME NETWORK SMALL GRANTS



We are proud and excited to launch the second round of our small grants scheme in which groups and organisations that meet the eligibility criteria can apply for up to £5000!

This is a competitive round with a closing date of 21st February 5pm. Any applications received after this date will be processed in the next small grants round expected to be April 2022. Please note this grant is open to any group or organisation working in Lancashire as long as they are BAME led and meet the other eligibility criteria (please see guidance for more information).

Please see attached the application form and guidance for the small grants programme.

Application Form: https://www.bprcvs.co.uk/images/linked-files/BME_Small_Grants_Application.pdf

Guidance Form: https://www.bprcvs.co.uk/images/linked-files/Small_Grants_Guidance.pdf

Please note our micro grants are still live and available. Groups and organisations can apply for up to £2000 through the micro grants scheme.

If you have any questions please email the grants inbox and a member of the team will be in touch. grants@lancashirebmenetwork.org.uk

TRAINING



This free training is available for community groups and organisations in Rossendale

Tuesday 8th February 2022, 10am to 1pm

Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking (MSHT) Awareness Training

Overview

Hope for Justice is a national and global charity with a mission to bring an end to modern slavery by preventing exploitation, reaching victims, restoring lives, and reforming society. We have a new Lancashire Hub comprising of two Community Engagement Specialists and a Trainer and can currently offer free training to raise awareness in order to help identify, report and support cases of modern slavery and human trafficking within the Rossendale district.

Learning Outcomes

The training will equip participants with knowledge about modern slavery and human trafficking so that by the end of the training they will be able to:

- Explain what MSHT is and identify the different types that exist
- Describe the signs and indicators of the different types of MSHT
- Respond appropriately if a victim of MSHT is identified

Delivery Methods

- The training will be delivered online over MS Teams by Ruth Packwood (HfJ Trainer). Ruth will set up and send out the Teams invitation and supporting document approx. one week in advance.
- Delivery will include national and local facts and figures, polls, case studies, videos and facilitated discussion to explore the subject in depth
- Minimum 12 and maximum 40 participants per session
- Due to the sensitive nature and content of the training, we apply a trauma informed approach to our training so participants will be able to choose whether to have their camera on during the training
- A member of the HfJ Community Engagement Team will aim to be present during the training to answer any specific queries relating to vulnerable people or those at risk of exploitation
- Participants will be provided with a copy of the HfJ Training Manual and other support materials
- Participants will be asked to complete feedback at the end of the training

What Next?

If you are interested in taking up this offer of free training, please contact

jackieflynn@rossendalebc.gov.uk



Are you passionate about sustainability?

Would you like to learn how you could improve the impact we're making on the environment?

Become a Sustainability Champion

Understanding Climate Change and Environmental Awareness

Thursday 3rd February
6pm - 8pm | 8 Weeks | Online

You will:

- Gain an understanding of the environment and climate change
- Understand environmental protection within the workplace
- Explore how the lifestyle of an individual can be environmentally detrimental
- How you can reduce your carbon footprint

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CV and Interview Masterclass

2nd February or 9th March
10:00 – 12:00

Need to boost your CV and perfect your interview skills?

In this 2-hour online session with our expert employability tutors, you will learning how to produce and adapt your CV to fit a job description. This means your CV be specific to the job and you will stand out from other applicants.

You will learn interview skills for both face-to-face and online interviews.



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VOLUNTEERING

Could YOU be a Poppy Appeal Co-Ordinator?



Volunteer Vacancies for Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal Organisers –

Bacup

The Royal British Legion has evolved and adapted over time, responding to the changing needs of the Armed Forces community, and reflecting the modern-day society we play an important role in. As we face our next chapter, we are inviting a new generation to be part of our future and continue our vital work. Can you help co-ordinate the Lancashire Poppy Appeal.

We require your assistance in:

1. Administration and preparing for a Poppy Appeal
2. Recruiting and managing a team of volunteers / collectors
3. Delivering and Collection for local School Packs
4. Delivering and Collection for local Business Boxes
5. Wreaths
6. Counting and Banking

For the co-ordinating roles, you must be 18years and over, be able to drive and have a good understanding of IT / computer skills.

*full training will be given with support from your local community fundraiser.

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Sylvia Laing Community Fundraiser for the RBL Poppy Appeal – slaing@britishlegion.org.uk

