



**FEBRUARY 2026**

# COMMUNITY BULLETIN



## FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROSSENDALE...

- Community Activities and Information
- Health and Wellbeing
- Funding
- Training
- Volunteering

## WELCOME TO YOUR FEBRUARY COMMUNITY BULLETIN!

We produce a monthly bulletin with our health and community partners to keep you updated on the community support and activities happening across Rossendale. This includes information from our community groups, events, health information, grants and community training opportunities. We hope you will find the bulletin useful.

All published Community Bulletins are available on our website - [Community Bulletins](#)

Feel free to share the bulletin with friends, community groups and on your own social media. If you have any information that you would like to share in our next bulletin, or you would like to be added to the e-mail distribution list, email us at [communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk](mailto:communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk)

# COMMUNITY INFORMATION

## BACUP CAMERA CLUB

Bacup Camera Club is a friendly, community-based photography club in Rossendale. Open to anyone aged 16 and over, we welcome members of all experience levels and all types of cameras. As a registered charity, our aim is to develop photographic skills through talks, competitions, workshops, and social activities in a relaxed and supportive environment.

WHERE? ABD COMMUNITY CENTRE  
BURNLEY ROAD, BACUP, OL13 8AB

WHEN? WEDNESDAYS, 7.30 PM (SEPTEMBER–MAY)

## ROSSENDALE COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

Come along to a 2-hour “No Fear” familiarisation session and see just how simple and effective these life-saving devices really are. You will learn:

- How to confidently use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
- How to perform Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
- What to do if someone suffers Sudden Cardiac Arrest

WHERE? THE UNITY HUB (UNITARIAN CHURCH)  
BANK STREET, RAWTENSTALL

WHEN? THURSDAY 19TH FEBRUARY  
6.30 PM – 8.30 PM

TO ENSURE ENOUGH INSTRUCTORS ARE AVAILABLE, BOOKING IS REQUIRED.  
PLEASE REGISTER BELOW:

[CLICK HERE](#)

## JUNIOR PARK RUN

### STUBBYLEE PARK | BACUP

FREE sessions , all abilities welcome | 2K Run  
When? Every Sunday at 9am  
Suitable for children aged 4-14 years



## ROSSENDALE JUNIOR BADMINTON

### SUNDAY MORNINGS AT THE ADRENALINE, HASLINGDEN

Rackets and shuttles are provided by the Rossendale Badminton League, and sessions are supported by Badminton England Level 1 assistant coaches.

#### Session Times

- 9.00 – 10.00 am | Primary age group
- 10.00 – 11.30 am | Secondary age group

✨ First session FREE

#### Prices

- Primary age group: £2 per session
- Secondary age group: £3 per session

✉ Interested?

Contact Nigel Holt via the Rossendale Badminton League website:  
<http://rossendalebadmintonleague.co.uk/contact-us>

SUNDAY 01<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

# MAYOR GOES SILENT FOR CHARITY!

## 8hr Sponsored Silence!

You can find our Mayor at one of the following locations, from 9am til 5pm

- Whitworth Memorial Gardens
- Co-op, Thorneylea
- Cowm Reservoir
- Cock & Magpie
- Whitworth Football & Cricket Club
- Whitworth Square
- Whitworth Band Club

Why not take a chance and pledge £2.50 to reserve a time that you think the Mayor will break her silence, contact Karin via email: [karin.tweedale@googlemail.com](mailto:karin.tweedale@googlemail.com)

To make your donation please contact  
Janet on 07795 577647 or call into Whitworth Town Council Office

In aid of the Mayor's Charity Fund





# Join Our Half Term Adventure Club

**Waddow**  
ACTIVITY CENTRE

Activities include:

- Zipline**
- Jacob's Ladder**
- Crate Challenge**
- Tree Climb**
- Bushcraft Skills**
- Arts & Crafts**



**16th - 20th February 2026**  
**9am - 3pm, £25 per day**  
(includes breakfast)



## **CELEBRATE WORLD CANCER DAY WITH BACUP LOCAL COMMITTEE**

### **Carvery & Bingo Evening**

Come along for a great evening of food, fun, and community while supporting World Cancer Day.

**WHEN? WEDNESDAY 4 FEBRUARY 2026**

**WHERE? ROSE N BOWL, STACKSTEADS, OL13 0UG**

**£25 per person**

**Ticket includes:**

- Main course carvery
- Game of bingo

**TICKETS & INFORMATION:  
CALL 07733 200429**



Lancashire  
Diabetic Eye Screening  
Programme

**NHS**  
East Lancashire Hospitals  
NHS Trust  
A University Teaching Trust

# Important Diabetic Eye Screening Information

Scan the QR code to find out



Call to book your appointment on **01282 803013**  
or scan the QR code to book online.

The PIN code is available on Diabetic Eye Screening invite letters.  
If you are unable to find the PIN, please call us on the above  
number or email us at [lancs.desp@nhs.net](mailto:lancs.desp@nhs.net)



**Safe | Personal | Effective**

# What's on at our centres?

2026



## Haslingden Family Hub

**Monday** Baby & You 1 2:30pm (05.01-23.03)  
Move & Groove 3:30-4:45pm (05.01-23.03)

**Tuesday** Development Matters 9:30-11am (06.01-24.03)  
Inside Out 3:30-4:45pm (24.02-24.03)

**Wednesday** Parents 2 Be 1-2pm (11.02)

**Thursday** Mini Move & Groove 9:30-11am (08.01-26.03)

## Whitworth Library

**Wednesday** Development Matters 10-11:30am  
(07.01-25.03)

### Community Settings

**Monday** Development Matters - Balladen Community  
room 9:30-10:30am (05.01-23.03)  
Mini Move & Groove - Backup Nursery 9:30-  
10:15am (12.01-09.02)

**Thursday** Café & Connect at Trinity Baptist Church 10-  
12pm (08.01, 05.02, 05.03, 02.04)

**FRIDAY** Infant Massage 9:45-10:45am (09.01-13.02)

## Rawtenstall Family Hub and The Zone

**Monday** Childminders Drop in 9:30-11:30am  
(05.01-23.03)

**Wednesday** Speech and Language Drop In 9:30-11:30am  
(07.01, 28.01, 25.02, 25.03)  
Parents 2 Be 1-2pm (14.01 & 21.01)

**Thursday** Friends of the Hub - Parent & Carer  
Forum 3:30-4:30pm (29.01, 26.02, 26.03)

**FRIDAY** Baby Sensory 10-11am (27.02-27.03)

**SATURDAY** Family Fun Events 10-12pm  
(07.02 & 07.03)

SCAN  
HERE



To see  
What's  
on and  
BOOK!

We also run the Freedom Programme and  
Freedom for Children Programme -  
Enquire today!

## Maden Family Hub

**Tuesday** Infant Massage 9:30-10:30am (13.01-10.02)  
Home Start Play group 1-2:30pm (06.01-24.03)

**Wednesday** Parents 2 Be 1-2pm (11.03 & 18.03)

**Thursday** Development Matters 1-2pm (08.01-26.03)  
Colourful Footsteps 3:30-4:45pm (08.01-26.03)  
Inside Out 3:30-4:45pm (08.01-12.02)  
Inside Out Together 3:30-4:45pm (26.02-26.03)

**FRIDAY** Childminders Drop in 9:30-11:30am (09.01-03.04)  
SENDIAS & Parent Carer Forum 9:30-11:30am  
(16.01, 13.02, 13.03, 10.04)

Move & Groove After School Club 3:30-4:30pm (27.02-27.03)

## Referral Only- Speech, Language and Communication Play group

You can self-refer or professionals can refer. 6-  
week targeted play group for all speech, language  
and communication needs. Email:  
Rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk

## February Half Term

We will be running Family Fun Events for families  
with children aged 0-11 years, keep an eye on our  
Facebook and Events Booking Page to book!  
Some groups will run during half term week, please contact us  
to find out!

### Enquiries?

Email: [Rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:Rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk)

or

Phone: 01772536873

Children and Family  
Wellbeing  
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**FAMILY  
HUBS**  
NETWORK

**Lancashire**  
County Council



## CAFÉ & CONNECT

Parents and carers are invited to drop in for a cuppa, a bite to eat, and a friendly chat with others in the community.

Throughout the sessions, a range of local professionals – including energy advisors, wellbeing practitioners, employment support staff, and more – will stop by for relaxed conversations and helpful advice.

Family Hubs Network

Enquiries: [rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk)

When & Where

Mondays

Maden Family Hub, Rochdale Road, Bacup, OL13 9NZ

Drop in between 9:30am – 11:30am

Fridays

Rawtenstall Family Hub & The Zone, Old Fire Station, Burnley Road, Rawtenstall, BB4 8EW

Drop in between 9:30am – 11:30am

These sessions run every Monday and Friday morning.

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OPEN DAY

Thursday  
5th March  
1pm – 3pm

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## Rossendale Social Prescribing Team

Presentations from the Children and  
Young Person's Social Prescriber, Adult  
Social Prescriber's and Befriending Team

AND OTHER SERVICES

Haslingden Community Link,  
Bury Rd, Haslingden BB4 5PG



## NEURO-MOVES

Specialist dance classes for people living with neurological conditions and their friends and family. When?

Fridays from 1:30pm – 2:45pm at Haslingden Community Link

Thursdays from 12:15pm – 1:15pm online.

For more information:

[www.lpmdance.com/neuro-moves](http://www.lpmdance.com/neuro-moves)

## East Lancashire 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'**

**Delivered by CYPMH East**  
[tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT](http://tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT)



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

**1st & 4th Wednesday of the month  
2nd Wednesday of the month  
3rd Wednesday of the month**

**1pm – 3pm  
3pm – 5pm  
5pm – 7pm**



**We are  
Kind**



**We are  
Respectful**



**We are  
Always  
Learning**



**We are a  
Team**



**Lancashire &  
South Cumbria**  
NHS Foundation Trust

# Family Hubs Network Rossendale

## Making a Difference

Our brand-new **Public Access Computers** are now available at both Rawtenstall Family Hub and Maden family Hub! Whether you need to access online services, complete forms, or simply browse the web, we are here to make life easier. Don't worry, our friendly staff are on hand to help and guide you through anything you need. Pop in today and take advantage of this fantastic resource!

## Supporting Local Families

**Parent Carer Forum - Coming Soon!**  
We're launching a new Parent Carer Forum for families of children and young people with SEND, in partnership with SENDIAS. This is a chance to connect, share experiences, and access advice in a supportive space.

First Session:

📍 Maden Family Hub, Rochdale Rd, Bacup,

OL13 9NZ

📅 Friday 16th January 2026

🕒 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

## Partners

Rossendale Newsletter, January 2026



## Working Together

Fancy a cuppa? A tasty bite? A friendly chat? Come along to our **Community Drop-In** and connect with fellow parents, carers, and locals! Get advice and guidance from Rossendale Family Hubs.

Have your say - tell us what YOU want in your community!

📅 When: First Thursday of every month

🕒 Time: 10am-12pm

📍 Where: Trinity Baptist Church

Spread the word! Your support can make a real difference.

For more info, get in touch today -

[Rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:Rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk)

## New Initiatives

We're delighted to share a new opportunity for professionals to access advice and guidance around **Early Help support** through Virtual Family Discussions. These sessions are designed to help you talk through individual families, with consent, who may need Level 2 support on the Lancashire Continuum of Need, or who might be considered for Level 3 support from Children and Family Wellbeing Service.

How does it work?

Family discussions will take place every two weeks via Teams.

Before the meeting, please complete the Family Discussion Form so your linked Community Senior can gather any extra information to best support the family.

How to access the form:

Email us at [cfwrossendalecommunity@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:cfwrossendalecommunity@lancashire.gov.uk) and we'll send it to you.

Once we receive your completed form, we'll book you a 30-minute Teams slot.

Upcoming dates:

Wednesday 14th January, 1pm

Wednesday 28th January, 1pm

Thursday 11th February, 1pm





# Are you worried that someone you know is being radicalised?

Prevent intervenes early to guide people away from radicalisation, giving them the help they need to walk away from extremism:

- Mentoring and ideological interventions
- Mental health support such as counselling
- Education or career development support
- Online safety training for parents

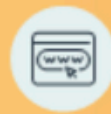
## The programme:



deals with all forms of terrorism, including the extreme right-wing and Islamist



is delivered by local experts, including local authorities, police, teachers, healthcare staff and community organisations



isn't a punishment and won't show up on any criminal record checks

Get help if you're worried about someone being radicalised, visit  
**GOV.UK/PREVENT**





# BACUP SOCIAL



## FEEL GOOD MOVEMENT

Join our gentle exercise class, perfect if you want to move more, feel good and improve health & wellbeing

**WEDNESDAYS 2:30PM**  
**MOVEMENT, DANCE, MUSIC**  
**REFRESHMENTS & CHAT**

Good atmosphere  
and enjoyable -  
Christine

Good exercise, not  
too energetic -  
Marian

**£5 - FREE REFRESHMENTS**

Carers come for free with the person they care for.

**ABD Centre, Bacup OL13 8AB**

Need more info? Call 07510 187211 or contact via  
Facebook @inspiremotivatetransform



MAYOR OF WHITWORTH'S

# BAND CONCERT

FEATURING:  
**WHITWORTH  
VALE & HEALEY  
BAND**

SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2026  
HALLFOLD CHURCH, WHITWORTH  
3PM

**TICKETS £10**

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM  
JANET ON 07795 577647  
OR  
THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES  
TEL: 01706 852018





# **CAFÉ & CONNECT**

## **AT TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**

### **COMMUNITY DROP-IN!**

**WE ARE JOINING UP WITH  
TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH!**

Children and Family  
Wellbeing  
Service

LANCASHIRE  
**FAMILY  
HUBS**  
NETWORK  
ROSSENDALE

**DROP IN FOR A CUPPA, A BITE, AND  
A CHAT WITH FELLOW PARENT,  
CARERS AND LOCALS IN YOUR  
COMMUNITY.**

SEEK **ADVICE AND GUIDANCE** FROM  
ROSSENDALE FAMILY HUBS AND, WHERE  
POSSIBLE, LOCAL PROFESSIONALS AROUND  
HOUSING, ENERGY, MENTAL HEALTH,  
EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT AND SO MUCH MORE.

**HAVE YOUR SAY - TELL US WHAT YOU  
WOULD LIKE IN YOUR COMMUNITY!**

**ENQUIRIES?**

**[Rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:Rossendalefamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk)**

**FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
10-12PM**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT TRINITY BAPTIST COMMUNITY DROP-IN WILL  
CONTINUE TO RUN WEEKLY ON THURSDAYS 10-12PM.**

Scan here for more information



[lancashire.gov.uk/family](https://lancashire.gov.uk/family)



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# 80s

DAY DISCO

**Saturday  
25<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

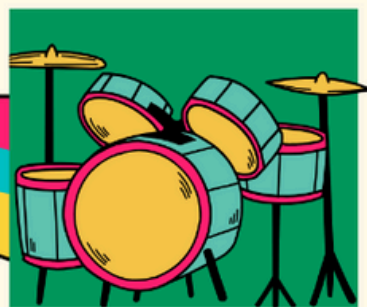
**DJ Sam Woodhouse  
LAREENA  
TILLY**

**FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL**

**SPARTAN SCRAN**  
additional charge



**3:00PM - 8:00PM  
AT THE ASHCROFT,**



**TICKETS £10.00 PER PERSON**



TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW FROM

JANET ON 07795 577647,  
TOWN COUNCIL ON 01706 852018  
OR SCAN THE QR CODE





# CONNECT AT THE UNITY HUB

COMMUNITY  
GUIDANCE  
BASIC FOOD SUPPORT

**TUESDAYS**

11AM TO 12.30PM

## SERVICES WE OFFER

- Support services - please contact [admin@rawtenstallunitarians.org](mailto:admin@rawtenstallunitarians.org) for more information
- Warm space to enjoy a drink and sweet treat
- Basic food support for those in need



Unitarian Church,  
Bank Street, Rawtenstall







## **ABD Community Centre**

Burnley Rd, Bacup OL13 8AB

T: 07447 960045

E: [pdunn@abdcentre.org.uk](mailto:pdunn@abdcentre.org.uk)

### **NEW VACANCY**

### **PART TIME CENTRE CARETAKER**

The ABD Community Centre, Bacup is looking to recruit a conscientious and self motivated centre Caretaker. In addition to the daily cleaning of the centre you will be required to undertake some essential maintenance to keep the centre safe and welcoming.

**Salary: £25,012pa pro rata (£13p/h)**

**12 hrs per week flexible over 3 - 5 days**

*(occasional evenings / weekends may be required and flexible hours to cover holidays periods)*

**To apply for this vacancy please send your CV and accompanying letter by post or email to the address above .**

**Closing date for applications: 13/2/26 at 5:00pm**

**Interviews - Thursday 19/2/26**

*If you have not heard from us by the 16/2/26 unfortunately you have not been invited for an interview.*

# FUNDING

## WINTER IN LANCASHIRE

The Winter in Lancashire pages are up on our website. Filled with useful info and advice for this time of year. Please share this info with your contacts and your communities [Winter in Lancashire - Lancashire County Council](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/winter/)

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/winter/>

## Cosy Homes in Lancashire – Your Local Council Affordable Warmth Scheme

The Little Van of Warm, handy person service offers face-to-face practical help, and the installation of simple energy-saving measures, all from the comfort of your home.

The service is available to anyone who , is aged 70+ years OR Has a household income of less than £36,000 per year OR, Is in receipt of a means tested benefit.

What could you receive?

- Draught-proofing
- Radiator reflector panels
- Hot water tank jackets
- LED light-bulbs
- Draught excluders
- Letter box brushes and more!

To book a free visit call 03306 061 488 or, visit [www.chil.uk.com](http://www.chil.uk.com)

## ROSSENDALE COMMUNITY FUND

The Rossendale Community Fund, managed by the Community Foundation for Lancashire, is now open for applications.

[🔗](#) Full details and how to apply can be found on the Community Foundation for Lancashire website:

Rossendale Community Fund – CFL

[CLICK HERE](#)

We've also shared information about the fund on the Community Foundation for Lancashire Facebook page.



# FCC Community Action Fund – Funding Opportunity

The FCC Community Action Fund, run by FCC Communities Foundation and supported through the Landfill Communities Fund, is now accepting applications for its next round of funding.

Grants of £10,000 to £100,000 are available for projects costing up to £500,000 (including VAT) that enhance public amenities, conservation, and biodiversity.

## Eligible Projects Include:

- Village halls and community centres
- Public play areas
- Publicly accessible multi-use games areas, skate parks, and BMX tracks
- Sports and recreation grounds, including pavilions and clubhouses (with full public access)
- Churches – community spaces only that are available for hire
- Nature reserves
- Public gardens, parks, country parks, and woodlands (with at least dawn-to-dusk access)
- Museums

Projects must be located at a single site within 10 miles of an FCC Environment site.

✓ The whole of Rossendale is eligible.

## Who Can Apply?

- Registered charities
- Churches or Parochial Church Councils
- Parish and town councils
- Local authorities
- Management committees
- Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs)

Applicants must own, lease, or manage the land and have at least five years remaining on the agreement.

## Key Date

Application deadline: 5.00 pm on 11 February 2026

## Useful Links

- [FCC Community Fund Application Guidelines](#)
- [Application Hints and Tips \(AI Generated\)](#)
- <https://fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk/funds/fcc-community-action-fund>



# FUNDING



**BURNLEYPENDLE  
& ROSSENDALE**  
**COUNCIL FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE**  
Registered Charity Number: 1062446 Company Limited By Guarantee: 3326219

## *Play* **HELPING HANDS LOTTERY**



**Support your local community in Burnley,  
Pendle & Rossendale**



Tickets: £1 each per week



Top weekly prize: £25,000



Weekly draw: Every Saturday



Play online



You choose which  
causes to support



Monthly super draw  
with extra prizes



### **This is how the lottery works for you**

Helping Hands Lottery is an exciting weekly lottery  
that raises money for good causes in Burnley,  
Pendle and Rossendale.

**60p** of every **£1** ticket you buy online goes to local  
good causes benefitting the communities of  
Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale!

Match all **6** numbers in the draw to win **£25,000!**



[www.bprcvs.co.uk](http://www.bprcvs.co.uk)



01282 433740



[info@bprcvs.co.uk](mailto:info@bprcvs.co.uk)



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Scan the QR Code to check  
out our website for more  
information and to buy  
tickets.

# VOLUNTEERING

## Lancashire-12 Volunteer Managers Forum

Join the team on TEAMS for the next Volunteer Managers Forum

Thursday 15th January at 1:00pm

This forum is open to all—including volunteer-involving groups and organisations across Lancashire.

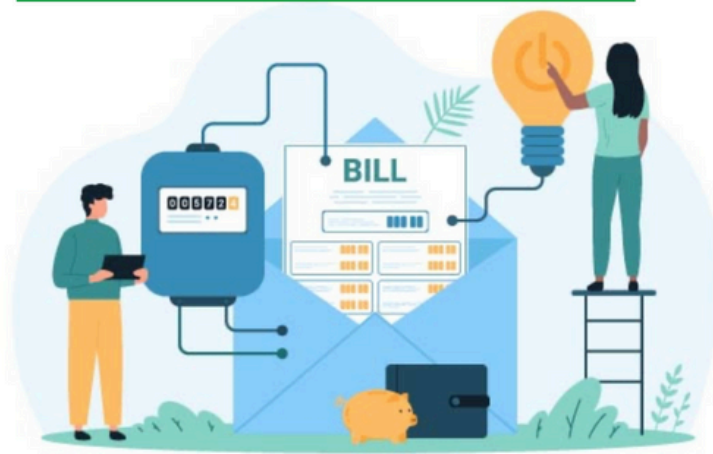
Be part of the ongoing conversation about volunteering in the county.

To register:

[lisa.ross@bprcv.co.uk](mailto:lisa.ross@bprcv.co.uk)

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FFIF>

## Need help taking control of your energy usage?



newground  
together

GREENER  
TOGETHER

together  
housing

**Take control of your energy costs with Newground Together.**  
We can support Rossendale residents to reduce their energy costs and make their homes more energy efficient.

Their friendly energy advisors will offer advice on how to reduce the costs of running your home, provide energy saving tools and show you how small changes can make a BIG difference in your home.

Call or email Newground Together to find out how you can make savings or to book your home assessment at no cost.

Tel. 0300 330 5535 Email [hello@newground.co.uk](mailto:hello@newground.co.uk)

# THE LINK CENTRE

## We're Looking for Volunteers




### Make a difference in just 1 hour a week

#### Can you...

- Listen with patience?
- Offer warmth, honesty and kindness?
- Bring a caring, understanding presence?

We're looking for friendly people to chat and connect with those who are elderly, lonely, or isolated. Just a small amount of your time can give someone a reason to smile, feel valued, and know they're not alone.

 **01706 230116**

to find out more and request your  
Volunteer Application Pack

#### What You'll Do

- Spend time talking, listening, and sharing stories
- Build connections and brighten someone's day
- Help create a stronger, more caring community

**No experience needed** — full training and support provided.

We welcome volunteers from all walks of life. If you can spare a few hours a month, you can make a real difference.

Haslingden Community Link  
Bury Road, Haslingden, Rossendale, Lancashire BB4 5PG  
Reg Charity: 1075926, Company No: 3612468





FEBRUARY 2026

# THANK YOU FOR READING

## PLEASE SHARE

If you have any information you would like to include our March Communities Bulletin please email us by Monday 23rd February.

[communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk](mailto:communitiesteam@rossendalebc.gov.uk)

