

Wakefield Central

Your Community, Your Newsletter



WELCOME!

Welcome to the third **Wakefield Central, Your Community, Your Newsletter**. This newsletter will be produced on a quarterly basis and aims to update you on the actions of the Wakefield Together Partnership including Wakefield Council, Police, Fire Service and WDH in your local area.

Wakefield Central is made up of three wards, Ward 16 - Wakefield East, Ward 17 Wakefield - North and Ward 20 - Wakefield West as you can see here.



LIGHTWAVES STREET PARTY

We were at Lightwaves Street Party on Saturday 16th September talking to people about their local area. We were joined by all three Elected Members from Ward 16 as well as Mary Creagh, MP for Wakefield.

Around 300 people visited the event which was organised by Lightwaves Leisure and Community Centre, Next Generation and the Area Working Team.

There was plenty to do on the day, with lots of activities and live DJs and music throughout.

The event was held to celebrate 20 years of Next Generation



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SOUL PORTOBELLO

Wakefield Council's Area Working Team supported Portobello Community Forum and Inspiring Communities run two days of activities at this year's SOUL Portobello.

SOUL Portobello is annual program of activities, which this year ran on every Thursday in August. There were lots of different activities for youngsters in Portobello to get involved in, and a chance for the different groups to show off their skills, including dance performances and majorettes!



WAKEFIELD MOSQUES OPEN DAY

On Saturday 5th August, Joe Ackroyd from the council's Area Working Team supported Swafia Mosque in running a successful Community Open Day.

There were lots of different activities taking place on the day including, henna tattoos, information stands, arts and crafts and guided tours of the mosque offering local people to see what happens inside. Council officers had been working with Police, Elected Members and the mosque to organise the day, sharing ideas in preparation to the open day.

About 200 people attended the event and all money raised was donated to Wakefield Hospice, nearly £1000 was raised. The West Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner also attended to support the day. This event will be an annual event so keep your eyes peeled for next year!



COMMUNITY GROUP SUCCESSES

Neighbourhood Improvement Fund

Lightwaves Community Trust were successful in applying for £483, this will be used towards Lightwaves Street Party, on Saturday 16th September.

Wakefield Music Collective were successful in applying for £1,500 to hire first aid provision and contribute towards the PA System hire for Clarence Park Festival.

Community Development Grant

Wakefield District City of Sanctuary were successful in applying for £477.95, this will be used for room rental and purchase of games equipment for their new men's group in Wakefield.

Wakefield Phoenix Netball Club were successful in applying for £500 to contribute towards purchasing 20 netball kits and one set of bibs for the community netball team.

Lightwaves Community Trust were successful in applying for £375, this will be used towards Lightwaves Street Party, on Saturday 16th September.

FOOD AID NETWORK

We emptied Wakefield of tin openers on Monday, followed by the big count where we divided the tin openers between partners. Councillor Maureen Cummings, Chair of Wakefield District Food Aid Network, had kindly received a cash donation to the Network and when asked for ideas, members requested tin openers. Community Awareness Programme on Market Street, Wakefield, the Salvation Army and St Georges where amongst the first to be given supplies. The Network is perfect for this kind of blanket project, if you are a food bank or substantial food aid provider and would like to be included on our mailing list please contact Helen Purvis on 01924 305891.

SHARED LIVES

In Shared Lives, an adult who needs long term support is matched with a carefully approved Shared Lives Carer. Together they share family and community life. Some people using Shared Lives live with their Shared Lives Carer, sometimes for many years. Others may only stay for day support or overnight breaks. This gives family carers short breaks and time off to rest.

The service is used by adults of all ages with a wide range of support needs, disabilities and illness. Shared Lives Carers are given full training and on-going support.

For more information call 01977 722254 or visit www.wakefield.gov.uk/sharedlives.

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Dates For Your Diary

Flanshaw, Darnley & Peacock PACT
Thursday 2nd
November
Balne Lane Community Centre

Lupset PACT
Monday 13th November
Jubilee Hall

Wakefield Christmas Light Switch On
Thursday 16th
November
Wakefield

Wakefield Christmas Festival
Thursday 16th
November to 18th
November
Wakefield

City Centre & Kirkgate Day of Action
Friday 1st December
Various Places,
Wakefield

For more community events check out www.wakefield.gov.uk/communities

WE NEED YOU!

We want to hear about the issues that affect you in your local area and how we can work together to resolve these issues. Please help us by completing our survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NQB77PF>. Your feedback will be analysed and will help to inform the delivery of local services.

NEIGHBOURHOOD IMPROVEMENT FUND AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

Both funding streams are available for community groups to enable them to develop their group. The funding pots offer a Maximum of £500. If you would like a copy of the criteria and a funding form then please don't hesitate to contact the Funding Team.

If you require any help completing the form or checking you having the correct governance, let the team know and they will be able to direct you to the support that you need.

The Funding Team can be contacted on:
Tel: 01924 305891
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Email: neighbourhoodimprovementfund@wakefield.gov.uk

EASTERN EUROPEAN SURVEY

We are carrying out a survey to find out the needs of Eastern European residents in Wakefield District. Support us to improve our services for you and your community by filling out a short survey which can be found on the link bellow: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/eecs2017>

If you have any questions please contact Tabana on tkhalid@wakefield.gov.uk