Wakefield District
Safer Places Scheme

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Welcome to the second Safer Places Newsletter

This letter is distributed to

- The service users who are members of the scheme. These are residents living with **Learning Disabilities**, **Autism**, or **Dementia**

- Their families, carers and friends

- Our highly valued Safer Places

- Organisations that support vulnerable people

Free Safer Places App

An interactive Safer Places App, with voice command, is available for your smart phone from www.safeplaces.org.uk

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We are a Safer Place
Safer Place

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What is the Safer Places Scheme?

The Safer Places Scheme is a voluntary scheme that assists vulnerable people with learning disabilities, autism and dementia to feel safer when travelling independently.

The confidence to travel independently assists vulnerable people to maintain their independent living skills and helps with their wellbeing.

Premises that are open to the public such as shops, offices, stations and public buildings are asked to become Safer Places. Safer Places are recognised by the Safer Places logo.

Vulnerable people who are members of the Safer Places Scheme carry a Safer Places Card with their name and the details of up to three people that can be contacted if support is required.

If a vulnerable person arrives feeling unwell, confused, lost, or having been a victim of crime, staff within a Safer Place are asked to assist by contacting one of the people named on the back of the Safer Places Card or the emergency services and allow the vulnerable person to wait on the premises until the named person or police/ambulance arrive.

Training materials and an interactive map showing the current local Safer Places are available at: SAFER PLACES WAKEFIELD

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Highlights of the Safer Places event on 16 October 2019

Wakefield Council organised an event to raise awareness and to increase the number of users and Safer Places in the district. The event was co-produced and co-delivered with residents living with Learning Difficulties.

At the event:

- A dance was performed by CoActice Arts
- There were performances by the Makaton Choir and the drama group supported by the Pontefract Family Centre
- Adam did a presentation about Health Cafes and the Annual Health Check
- Refreshments were prepared by The Real Bread Company

There was participation and information stalls from many organisations, including:

Carers Wakefield, HealthWatch Wakefield, 1st Enable, Horticare, Disability Employment Advisors from the Job Centre, Choice Support, 2BU Wakefield, NHS Stop Smoking team. There were leaflets available about Accessible Transport, Hate Crime and information about the Safer Places mobile App.

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HORTICARE

One of the organisations at the 16 October event was Horticare - a registered charity that runs Lindhill Nurseries in Batley Road, Kirkhamgate, Wakefield WF2 0SH.

Horticare provides horticultural training and work experience in a real work environment for people with Learning Disabilities. Other activities include cooking, baking, woodwork and crafts.

They grow and sell plants to the public and have a garden maintanance service covering the district.

To find out more contact Rosemary on: 01924 372433

Please become a Safer Place

Currently there are 187 Safer Places in Wakefield district - ready to assist vulnerable people. The places can be viewed on the **Interactive Map**.

Your business could become one too if you have public indemnity insurance, the premises is in an accessible location and is staffed by two or more people. Please read the **brochure** for further information and then complete **Application to Become a Safer**

Free Carers Resource

This resource is available to anyone who is a carer or cares for someone in the Wakefield district. To download the free care co-ordination app: Visit **www.carersdigital.org**

To create a new account - type in your email address and create a personal password. Please enter the free access code **DGTL7298**. You only need to use this code once when creating your account.

Need to report Hostility and Hate Crime in West Yorkshire?

Stop Hate UK - Capture

Panic Button - call 999

In an emergency call 999 or press the panic button above to contact the Emergency Services.

USEFUL CONTACTS

Capture   Report

To download the Hate Crime Reporting App just go to

Download on the App Store   GET IT ON Google Play

and search for 'STOP HATE UK'

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