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Universal Services for Carers is the statutory service commissioned by Derby City Council and Derby & Derbyshire Integrated Care Board looking after unpaid Carers caring for someone in Derby City

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Supporting carers and their families throughout Derby City

What We Do

<u>Helpline:</u>

Our helpline is able to offer support to unpaid carers looking after someone who lives in Derby City and who is over 18. All calls are responded to by one of our experienced advisers. They will explain what we do, provide information and signpost you to other organisations and register your interest for our events.

Being part of Citizens Advice Mid Mercia, they can refer you to other parts of the organisation to assist with benefits, debt, housing and more specialised services if relevant.

Helpline advisers will identify your needs and challenges, and help to support with choices and options that may be available to you. This will be by providing information, support and additional signposting.

The helpline is also able to capture evidence about a carer's needs in a manner that may be communicated to others.

Wellbeing Event:

We have a variety of indoor, outdoor and virtual workshops and events that support you to find some respite, help to reduce stress, anxiety and support you to lessen the impact of your caring role. We also have a wide variety of resources that can be shared with you.

Please see the relevant section of the newsletter.

Awareness and Training Event:

We also offer informative awareness and training sessions with additional resources available to support in your caring role.

Please see the relevant section of the newsletter.

Peer Support Event:

If you are interested in peer support groups, we may be able to signpost you a group local to you. We also work with other organisations and connect with community groups, social prescribers, GPs etc to help people access support more easily. The service also run our own Peer Support Groups.

Please see the relevant section of the newsletter.

To get in touch: telephone: 01332 228777 email: carers@citizensadvicemidmercia.org.uk/ carers-events@citizensadvicemidmercia.org.uk or visit our website www.derbycarers.org.uk



Service Reminder

How the team allocate places for our events:

On registering to our Service, we send out a copy of the Carers Events Terms & Conditions. If you'd like another copy, please email carers-events@citizensadvicemidmercia.org.uk

These outline that you are entitled to **one** wellbeing event per year subject to availability. Though we welcome multiple bookings, we reserve the right to add you to a waiting list and register interest for events that are popular and oversubscribed. We still may do a publicity exercise to promote the event to remind our clients of what is available to them.

We take this opportunity to remind you that events are not allocated on a first come first served basis as we try to distribute places on events evenly to ensure everyone can attend at least one event per year of their choice.

Thank you for your understanding with this.

Volunteer with Us

Peer Support Volunteers

Are you able to give up a few hours to offer vital support to other carers and make a real difference in their lives. We are recruiting volunteers to help create a safe space for carers to meet up, talk and swap stories. Get in touch to find out more: carers@citizensadvicemidmercia.org.uk or 01332 228777

Out & About

Out & About with Universal Services for Carers

Come and meet the team/find out more about our service

- 2nd July 10:30am-12pm Tranquility Cafe at Littleover Baptist Church
- 3rd July 11am-1pm Neuro Diversity Social, Community Room, Derbion
- 4th July 10am-4 pm Umbrella Summer Fayre, The Annie Hall Memorial Centre
- 10th July 11am-1pm Royal Derby Hospital, 5th Floor (outside lifts, near restaurant)
- ***22nd July 1.30pm** FAB Carers Group, Florence Nightingale Community Hospital
- 23rd July 1:30 3pm- Hardy Group, St Nicholas Church Allestree
- 14th Aug- 9:30-11:30am Dovedale Dementia Hub, Adult Day Services London Rd

All listings are publicly accessible events except the ones starred* where you may have to book with the group/venue to visit.

Connections

Carers Information Series - Mental Health

In June, we had a Mental Health themed Information Session. We heard about Mental Health and Wellbeing Services working in Derby City.

mind Derbyshire	Supported Self Help, Community Mental Wellbeing Services www.derbyshiremind.org.uk/ 01332 623732
vita health group	Short Term Talking Therpies for anyone with a Derbyshire/Derby City GP www.vitahealthgroup.co.uk /0333 0153 496
DERBY CITY LIFE LINKS	Peer Support & Therapy Services derbycitylifelinks.org.uk / 0800 0322202
Hoppiness the	Mindfulness Courses, Coffee and Cake, Breathe Move Laugh Sessions, tailored workshops www.thehappinesshubderby.co.uk / 07765 330 121
ACTION FOR HAPPINES	S Monthly Calendars and Apps, Online coaching, talks and online resource library. www.actionforhappiness.org
	In-person Talking Therapy for over 18s www.disabilitydirect.com / 01332 299 449 (option 3)
	past Information Session recordings

on our Website Resource Library along with Meditation recordings and Mental Health resources.

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Connections

Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service Carers Sticker



As a Carer, considering fire safety for your Cared For may not be a priority. With this in mind, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service have developed the new initiative - the Carers Sticker, to ensure consistent fire safety awareness for those who are most vulnerable.

During a Safe & Well visit, the Officer may place a sticker in a prominent location to pass on essential fire safety advice and practical steps to help you, as a Carer, keep your Cared For safe.

For more information or to book a Safe & Well visit, you can contact DF&RS on **01332 777850** or email **southareadmin@derby-fire.gov.uk**.

If you missed the Carers Craft Cafe Art Display in the foyer of the Council House, it will be moved on 3rd July to display units in Riverside Library. Please do pop along to read about our Carers experiences and view their creative talent!



If you'd like to join in with future Craft Cafe's, please get in touch to book your place.

Held every 2nd Thursday of the month at Dubrek Studios, 10.30am-12.30pm. Open to all Carers.



Schedule

Peer Support Event.Event: Men's Peer Support GroupTime: 2-3pmDate: Tuesday 8th JulyVenue: Derby County Community Trust,Harrisons Hub. Derby County Football ClubBooking Essential	Wellbeing Event:Event: Chair Pilates ClassesTime: 2pm-3pmDate: Thursday 3 rd & 17 th July(No classes in August)Venue: Studio, 2 nd Flr, Derby Arena, DE24 8JB.Carers & Cared For
Wellbeing & Peer Support Event: Event: Coffee & Catch Up Time: 2.30pm-3.30pm Date: Monday 7 th July Venue: Dobbies Garden Centre (Findern) Carers & Cared For	Awareness Event: Event: Carers Card Awareness Session Time: 1-1.45pm Date: Wednesday 9th July Venue: Online via Microsoft Teams All Welcome
Wellbeing Event: Event: Craft Café Time: 10.30am-12.30pm Date: Thursday 10 th July (No August session) Venue: Dubrek Studios, Bridge St, DE1 3LB. Carers Only	Peer Support Event: Event: Working Carers Breakfast Club Time: 10am-11am Date: Saturday 12 th July Venue: Community Room, Ascot Dr Fire St. Carers Only
Awareness Event: Event: Carers Information Series DEMENTIA SPECIAL Time: 1-1.45pm Date: Monday 14th July Venue: Online via Microsoft Teams All Welcome	Awareness Event: Event: First Aid Time: 10am-2pm Date: Wednesday 16 th July Venue: Streatham Road Communty Room. Carers Only
All of our events need to be booked in advance unless otherwise stated.	Please call 01332 228777 or email carers-events@ citizensadvicemidmercia.org.uk to register interest in all of our events.

Schedule

Wellbeing Event: Event: Shared Reading Group Time: 2-3pm Date: Tuesday 15 th July (No August session) Venue: Nottingham Road Fire Station, <i>Carers & Cared For</i>	Wellbeing & Peer Support Event: Event: Wellbeing Walk Time: 2pm-3pm Date: Monday 21 st July (No walk in August) Venue: Markeaton Park. Carers & Cared For
Wellbeing & Peer Support Event:Event: Picnic & Outdoor Chi Kung sessionTime: Midday-2.30pmDate: Tuesday 22 nd JulyVenue: Kedleston HallCarers & Cared For	Wellbeing Event:Event: Needle & Natter - Peer LedTime: 10.30am - 12.30pmDate: Every 4th Thursday of the Month24th July & 28th AugustVenue: Dubrek Studios, Bridge St, DE1 3LB.Carers Only
Peer Support Group:Event: Dementia Carers CaféTime: 2pm - 4pmDate: Friday 25 th July & 29 th AugustVenue: Derby Theatre.Carers & Cared for (with Carer) Welcome	Wellbeing Event:Event: Kedleston Hall Community PassTime: Anytime between 9.30am-4pmDate: 11 th & 22 nd AugustVenue: National Trust Kedleston Hall, Derby, DE22 5JH.1 Carer & 1 Guest
Wellbeing Event: Event: Calke Abbey Community Pass Time: Anytime between 9.30am-4pm Date: Every Wednesday in School Holidays starting 30th July until 3rd September Venue: National Trust Calke Abbey, Ticknall. 1 Carer & 1 Guest	Wellbeing Event: Event: Open Air Adventure Cinema (Various Showings - see page 10) Time: Evening Date: Thursday 7 th - Sunday 9 th August Venue: National Trust Calke Abbey, Ticknall. 1 Carer & 1 Guest - LIMITED AVAILABILITY
All of our events need to be booked in advance unless otherwise stated.	Please call 01332 228777 or email carers-events@ citizensadvicemidmercia.org.uk to register interest in all of our events.

Events

FIRST AID TRAINING



Our First Aid Training is returning in July, here's what a carer had to say after they attended.

'The training was absolutely brilliant. Very well taught, and the trainer was really personable and supportive.'

Wednesday 16th July 10am-2pm @ Streatham Road Community Room, Mackworth.

Please bring a pack lunch/a snack - Carers only.

Carers Cards Awareness Session

There are various Carers Cards available to support you in your caring role that offer exclusive discounts, information, resources and more.

Come and join us for this presentation to learn about Carers Card UK and Blue Sky Social Care Card. See what they offer and how you can register for one.



Wednesday 9th July 1pm-1.45pm on Microsoft Teams



Events

The Brunswick Bunch



Iembers of our Men's Peer Support Group continue to meet 6-8pm on the last Tuesday of the month at The Brunswick Inn, DE1 2RU.

Drop by 6-8pm - July 29th & August 26th 2025.

Please note this event is organised by Carers and is not attended by a member of the Carers Team

Email: carers-events@citizensadvicemidmercia.org.uk

WORKING CARERS BREAKFAST CLUB

Are you juggling work with your caring responsibilities?

We are hosting this one off event on

SATURDAY 12TH JULY - 10AM-11AM

@ Community Room, Ascot Drive Fire Station.

Come along and meet members of the Team and other working Carers. An opportunity for you to tell us what you need from our Service to best support you.

Sausage Cob & Hot drinks provided (Vegan/GF options available) PLEASE BOOK.

Did you knowJuly is National

Come along to Kedleston Hall for an optional outside Chi Kung session with Laurie. A gentle standing (or seated) movement & breath practice to promotea sense of inner and outer balance!

Tuesday 22nd July - Midday-2.30pm - Carers & Cared For

Bring your blanket or chair and a sandwich. Hot drinks, sweet treats and view provided!

Events



Tickets available for Carers & 1 Guest at Calke Abbey - limited availability. Please register your interest with us. Open Air performances of:



7th August Sing A Long The Greatest Showman 6pm-9.15pm



8th August Bridget Jones - Mad About The Boy 6pm-9.15pm



9th August Queen Outdoor Cinema Spectacular 5.30pm-11pm

Sunday

10th August Wicked 5.30pm-21.45pm

CALKE ABBEY COMMUNITY PASSES AVAILABLE EVERY WEDNESDAY DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

> From 30th July until 3rd September. Please get in touch with us to book your place/s. Available for Carers to bring one Guest.



National Trust

Events

Dementia Carers Café 2-4pm Last Friday of the Month

25th July - Open Mic Summer Party 29th August - Backstage Tour

Carers and Cared for (with Carer) welcome No requirement to book please just come along to Community Space upstairs at Derby Theatre





Men's Peer Support Group Please Note Date Change



Tuesday 8th July - 2-3pm - Derby County Community Trust Please contact to book.

We will take a break in August.

Why not come along to our Adventure Cinema?

Please book on if you are interested in coming to our Wellbeing Walks @ Markeaton Park.

An opportunity to meet other Carers, move a little and get a vitamin D fix! You are able to bring your Cared For and there are mobility friendly paths.

NEXT DATE: Monday 21st July - 2-3pm

Bi-monthly Garden Centre Cuppa & Catch Up



Open to Carers & Cared For

Free drink of choice - let us know if you want to join us.

Monday 7th July 2.30pm-3.30pm

Useful Contacts

Call 999 if you are at immediate risk of harm, a crime has been committed, you need help or if someone is seriously ill or injured.

NHS 111 - for non urgent medical advice. The service is free to access and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Non-Emergency Police 101 - for non urgent police/ crime advice. The service is free to access and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Derby City Council Adult Social Care - 01332 640000. Mon to Fri, 9-5pm.

Derby City Council Adult Social Care - 01332 956606. Out of hours support: Mon to Fri 5pm-9am, with a 24 hour service during weekends and bank holidays.

Royal Derby Hospital Adult Emergency Department - 01332 783111. Address: Uttoxeter New Road, Derby DE22 3NE. The service is free to access and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Derby NHS Walk In Centre - 01332 224700 - Address: Walk In Centre, Entrance C, Osmaston Road, Derby DE1 2GD. 7 days a week, from 8am to 8pm.

Derbyshire Mental Health Helpline and Support Service call - 0800 028 0077 for Derby and Derbyshire residents. The service is free to access and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Samaritans- Call 116 123, The service is free to access and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

National Domestic Violence Helpline - 0808 2000 247.

Treetops Hospice - 0115 949 1264.

General Advice - Citizens Advice Mid Mercia - 0808 278 7972

Money Advice Service - Citizens Advice Mid Mercia - 01332 228745

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