



November 2017

Hello and welcome to the E-News Bulletin of Test Valley Community Services. These bulletins will be sent out regularly bringing you the latest on community news & events, information, services, training, funding and more....

TVCS UPDATES

TVCS AGM, 'Better Together' Conference and Annual Volunteering Awards - Friday 24th November

Keynote speaker Deborah Harkin, Assistant Chief Executive, Hampshire Country Council.

[Read more>>](#) [Booking Form>>](#)

TVCS Launches new Home Support Service and offers a 20% Introductory Discount for all new customers until March 2018*

[Read more>>](#)



Test Valley Community Services Supporting the Voluntary Sector

Calling all voluntary and community groups! We want to hear from you! What support do you need to run your organisations? Test Valley Community Services and Test Valley Borough Council are jointly hosting a workshop to find out what support is needed by the voluntary sector in order to shape what TVCS offer and their services.

Shaping your Voluntary Sector Support Services. A workshop designed to provide:

- Information on what support is already on offer
- An opportunity for you to help shape your support services going forward
- Information sharing and advice

Thursday 14th December 2017 (4.30-6pm) at Stockbridge Town Hall

Contact Louise Trayling at ltrayling@testvalley.gov.uk to secure your place now.

Successful ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) course

Test Valley Community Services are pleased to have recently facilitated another ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) course. The two day course was delivered by Papyrus, the national charity dedicated to the prevention of young suicide. There were 29 attendees on the course that trains participants to reduce the immediate risk of suicide, increase support for a person at risk and to recognise what a person at risk may need from others to keep safe and get help. [Read more>>](#)



Test Valley Community Services latest Training Programme



Did you know you can follow TVCS on Twitter twitter.com/tv_cs?

* We reserve the right to withdraw the Cardea offer at any time

Tasty Choral Fayre at Carol Concert

The annual carol concert by the Harmonium Singers at St Mary's Church, Andover, has become a regular Christmas event in the town. And there's nothing like a choir to create that special seasonal atmosphere in the true spirit of Christmas. This year's event begins at 7.30pm on Saturday 16 December. As always there'll be a popular mix carols old and new, with choral arrangements of well-known favourites and carols for all to sing. This year there'll also be recent pieces by Alexander L'Estrange and Iain Quinn, all combined with seasonal readings and festive interval refreshments. It all adds up to a mouth-watering proposition, so get your tickets early from The Lights, Newbury Building Society or choir members at £8.00. Alternatively you can buy a ticket at the door on the night for £10.00. Under-14s are admitted free. Proceeds this year go to Andover Crisis and Support Centre. For further details see the choir's website www.harmoniumsingers.org.uk.

**Computer Drop-In Session at Romsey Library**

Want to learn how to use the Go Online Computers at Romsey Library. [Find out how>>](#)

Opening of Andover's Innovative New Power Assisted Exercise Rehabilitation Centre

I'can Therapy Centre opens in Andover on Thursday 23rd November. This is a new and bespoke power assisted exercise rehabilitation centre based at the Salto Centre, off Charlton Road, Andover SP10 4AJ. For more information call 01264 568241 or [visit>>](#)

**Safeguarding unaccompanied asylum seeking and refugee children**

On 1 November 2017, the government published a strategy setting out their commitments to safeguard and promote the welfare of unaccompanied asylum seeking and refugee children. The strategy can be found [here>>](#)

Youth Group Consultation Event

Would you be interested in attending a youth group in your local area? Would you like to play a part in shaping what your youth group looks like. Come a long to this event and have your say. [Read more>>](#)

Newsletters & Updates from other Organisations

- [Hampshire Safeguarding Children's Board—Annual Report>>](#)
- [DeafPLUS—Autumn Newsletter>>](#)
- [Community Buildings – Latest Update from Action Hampshire>>](#)
- [Jane Scarth House—Latest news>>](#)



Launch of The Virtual College

Would you like to increase your knowledge and understanding of safeguarding for Children by enrolling onto an e-learning course. [Read more>>](#)



Free First Aid Course for People 65 years and over

The aim of this course is to raise confidence in the event of an emergency. It will cover some specifics – bleeding, unconscious-breathing, sprains and strains, AED, heart attack and head injury.

No formal assessment is required as you will not receive a qualification for this course however a certificate of attendance will be given with a skill pack. The course will run on Thursday 7th December 2-4 at Crosfield Hall Annexe and Monday 18th December 10-12 at Andover Guildhall. To book a place contact Louise Trayling 01264 368649 or email ltrayling@testvalley.gov.uk

UPCOMING TVCS TRAINING COURSES

- MiDAS Standard First Time—7th December>>
- MiDAS Accessible First Time—7th December>>
- Effective Bid Writing Skills Course—12th Dec>>
- MiDAS Standard Refresher—18th January 18>>
- MiDAS Accessible Refresher—18th January 18>>

For more information please contact Dawn Elson on 0330 400 4116 option 4 or email dawn.elson@tvcs.org.uk

Latest Opportunities

[Volunteering Opportunities>>](#)

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