

# Wakefield District Safer Places Scheme

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## Welcome to the first 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
- And our highly valued Safer Places

**A big thank you to all our Safer Places!**

## Free Safer Places App

An interactive App is available for your smart mobile phone from

[www.safeplaces.org.uk](http://www.safeplaces.org.uk)

## 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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## What you told us in the recent survey

94% of the members want the Safer Places Scheme to continue

66% feel supported and more confident and independent because of the Safer Places

78% of the relatives / carers reported that the scheme gives them confidence to allow the person they care for to go out alone

90% of the Safer Places that responded said that the scheme is a good way of helping vulnerable people

100% of the Safer Places that responded want to remain a Safer Place

## Date for Your Diary!

An event to mark the 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Safer Places Scheme is to be held on

**16 May 2019 at  
Micklegate Methodist Church,  
Pontefract WF8 1QG  
10 am – 12 noon**

Members, their families, carers and representatives from the Safer Places are welcome.

**To reserve a place please email:  
[aamann@wakefield.gov.uk](mailto:aamann@wakefield.gov.uk)  
or phone 01924 303889**

## 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](http://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.

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Alzheimer's Society is looking forward to working more closely with Wakefield District Safer Places Scheme. Alzheimer's Society in Wakefield is helping to promote the scheme to people living with dementia. We recognise that independence for people living with dementia is vital.

Alzheimer's Society would also like as many places as possible to become dementia friends - which means giving an hour of your time to attend an information session on dementia in order to increase your awareness. If you are interested in this you can view available sessions on [www.dementiafriends.org.uk](http://www.dementiafriends.org.uk)

**Dementia Action Week.** The theme for this year's dementia action week is "Inclusion". And we have two key events lined up this year:

Need to report Hostility and Hate Crime in West Yorkshire?

WILSON HALIFAX OTLEY  
SHARLSTON ARDSLEY  
ACKWORTH HAVENCRIFT WINTERSSETT  
COUNTRY LANE TOMKIDDEN WOODHOUSE

UPTON LEEDSHAM  
AUSTHORPE  
KNOTTINGLEY  
ARTHINGTON  
DARWINGEY  
HURDEN RD  
CASTLEFORD  
ALSTON  
ALWOODLEY  
BRIGFLY  
HORSE  
ACK  
SHARLSTON  
SANDY LANE  
AUSTHORPE  
OAKHOLME  
HAVENCRIFT  
BIRCHHOUSE  
BLACKSHAW  
HORSFORTH  
ARTINGTON  
HEMSWORTH  
DENHOLME  
ARDSLEY  
SLIDEN  
LEEDS  
SHEPHERD  
AIREBURGH  
CLIFTON  
BURNLEY  
AUSTHORPE  
HAY  
HEGLEY  
WALTON  
SHEPHERD

CLIFFORD  
CRIGGESTONE  
NORTH ELSALL  
GREAT PRESTON  
WEST HARDWICK  
THORPE AUDLIN  
AIREBOROUGH  
WADSWORTH  
THORP ARCH  
DENHOLME  
CLAYTON  
RYHILL

PARK WOOD  
SCHOLES  
WALAND BADSWORTH  
OSSETT DENBY DALE  
WADSWORTH MOBLEY  
AUDLIN ALWOODLEY  
BRIGGESTONE CHEVET  
WEST HARDWICK PLUDSEY  
BARFORTH WALTON  
WELL LEEDSHAM  
STON OTLEY  
E BAITLEY  
ETHERLEY  
ARTINGTON  
WEST BRETON  
ARDSLEY DENHOLME  
WOTHORPE HUTTON HALL THORP ARCH  
BARDSLEY THORP ARCH CLIFTON SOUTH KIRBY  
SHARLSTON LITTLE PRESTON COLNE VALLEY

Pin to Burton - call 999  
In an emergency call 999 or press the panic button above to contact the Emergency Services.  
USEFUL CONTACTS  
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and search for 'STOP HATE UK'

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## Memory Walk on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 10am-12pm at Pugneys in Wakefield.

This walk is organised thanks to one of our many amazing volunteers and with the support of lots of other organisations in the community. This walk captures the essence of inclusion - bringing together anyone affected by dementia, giving them the opportunity to walk together and also to raise money for Alzheimer's Society. Book your place via Eventbrite

## Paper Chains on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May at the Ridings shopping centre. Time TBC.

This event is linked up with Headway. Both organisations will be coming together to give advice and information on their services but with the added display of paper chains. We are asking anyone who wishes to add their paper chain message to write on our chain template what they do to stay included or a pledge that a person may do to help someone with dementia stay "included" in their community. If you wish to complete some paper chains for the display please email [Natasha.dews@alzheimers.org.uk](mailto:Natasha.dews@alzheimers.org.uk) who will email you the template and further information. The more the merrier!