

# NEWHAM CARERS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

**JULY 2024** 

# **WELCOME**

Welcome to the NCC Carers newsletter, July edition 2024.

In this edition we will inform you of news, important dates, events, useful information and training opportunities.

# **CARERS WEEK 2024 IN PICTURES**



Clacton-on-Sea





Carers workshop





# **CARERS WEEK 2024 PRIZE WINNERS**



















# MEET THE NCC TEAM



**Linessa Ollivierre** Lead Carers Co-ordinator



Noreen Chaudhry Asian Carers Specialist Support Worker



**Claudia St. Rose** Adult Carer Support Officer



Tasnim Anjum Ullah Holistic Individuals and Group Support Worker



**Joseph Richards** Young Carers Manager



Rubina Chohan Young Carers Support Worker



**Simon Shum** Head of Community Services



**Naheed Anwar** Carers Co-ordinator



# young carer? Are you a

olds that support their family without payment to manage day-to-day tasks such as Young carers are 5-17 year

**Emotional** 

# Domestic

advice, activities and updates to We can provide FREE support, support young carers

Use the checklist overleaf to find out if you are a young carer.









# You are a young carer if you:

Help look after a family member (your mum, dad, brother, sister or a grandparent)

Help them with daily tasks such as getting dressed or getting out of bed

Help them with getting medicine or going with them to the doctors or hospital

Help with housework, shopping or making meals for them

Helping them speak with or translate to others

Managing the family budget

Tick here!

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<u>renewalprogramme.org.uk/newham-young-carers-project/</u> For more information on our Newham Young Carers project scan the QR code or visit

please contact the team. If you have any questions or would like to speak to a Carers Support Worker before making a referral

Email: info@newhamcarerscommunity.org.uk





# 8 - 11 Years

- Kensington Primary School Kensington Avenue, Manor Park E12 6NN
- Mon 22nd July -Fri 2nd August
- 10am 2pm

#### **Activities:**

- Arts and crafts
- Mixed sports and more
- Henna Art and face painting
- Karaoke
- Cake decorating
- Smoothie Making

# Sign up



To sign up, scan the QR code or click the link below.

## renewalprogramme.org.uk/haf24/

Please note that there are also spaces available for children who are not on benefit related free school meals - Pupil Premium

All activities are subject to change depending on workshops and trips









# Who is a Young Carer?

A young carer is a young person aged 5+ who cares, unpaid, for a person who has any type of physical or mental illness, physical and/or mental disability or misuses substances such as alcohol or drugs.

# 5-17 years

- Renewal Programme 395 High Street North E12 6PG
- Mon 5th August-Fri 23rd August
- 11am 3pm\*

#### **Activities:**

- Accredited first aid
- Baking
- Cookery
- Skiing/Snowboarding
- Fairplay House Trip
- Bowling trip
- Mixed Sports

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renewalprogramme.org.uk/haf24/









# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

#### Want to learn something new?

Grey Matter provide up to up 130 free social care and functional skills online courses. To register your interest and receive login details please contact us:

info@newhamcarerscommunity.org.uk or call 020 39543143

#### Free Digital Sessions

655 Barking Rd, E13 9EX

Brush up on your digital skills, just bring your digital device.

Get in touch for further details.

info@newhamcarerscommunity.org.uk or call 020 39543143

#### **Newham Recovery College**

https://linktr.ee/newhamrecoverycollege

# **VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES**

We are here to help with volunteer interests and applications. Please use the links below for volunteer opportunities available

Newham University Hospital volunteer opportunities https://www.bartshealth.nhs.uk/volunteers

Renewal volunteer opportunities

https://www.renewalprogramme.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer-with-us/

Age UK East London volunteer opportunities https://www.ageuk.org.uk/eastlondon/get-involved/volunteer/



# **RESIDENT CARER SUPPORT GROUPS**

Group	Meeting Time	Venue	Contact Info
Senior Parent Learning Disabilities Carers Group  Support group for all carers or parents of people with learning disabilities	Every last Wednesday of the month 12:00am - 2:30 pm	Upper-Room Foursquare Chapel 525-529 Barking Rd, London E13 9EZ	Leader: Remi Osunsanya <u>Sanyaosun2@yahoo.com</u> Tel: 07872 595948
Disability Rep Forum  Support group for disabled carers including parent carers and those with disabled children	Every 2nd Tuesday of the month 11.00am - 1.00pm	Froud Community Centre, Toronto Avenue, E12 5JF	Leader: Sarifa Patel sarifa.patel84@gmail.com Tel: 07723 739221
Carers Community Mental Health Group  Support group for those who are caring for loved ones and friends with mental well-being	Every 3rd Wednesday of the month 11:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Upper-Room Foursquare Chapel 525-529 Barking Rd, London E13 9EZ	Leader: Zhenreenah Muhxinga <u>carersgroup2020@yahoo.</u> <u>com</u> Tel: 07950 123 540
Chinese Carers Group	Contact Group Lead for further details	Contact via phone or email only	Leader: Gill Tan g <u>tan4646@gmail.com</u> Tel: 0207 474 7715
St. Joseph's Carers Group  Support group for those who are caring for relative, partner or friend that has a life-limiting illness	Every 3rd Friday of the month 1.30pm – 3.30pm	St. Joseph Hospice Mare Street Hackney E8 4SA	Jo Bedford - Carers Service Co-Ordinator j.bedford@stjh.org.uk Tel: 020 8525 3130

Please get in touch with details of your resident carer group and we will add it to the list.



# **RESIDENT CARER SUPPORT GROUPS**

Group	Meeting Time	Venue	Contact Info
Drop in bereavement centre	Contact Group Lead for further details	Contact via phone or email	Olive Brade  Olive.brade@btinternet.com  Tel: 07396 016523
Newham carers peer counselling network	Contact Group Lead for further details	Upper-Room Foursquare Chapel 525-529 Barking Rd, London E13 9EZ	Catherine Isles  ncpcn@mail.com  07507353329
Newham Caring Hearts Carer Support Group	Contact Group Lead for further details	Contact via phone or email	Aurora Todisco <u>aurora.todisco@gmail.com</u> 07574165468
Age UK East London Older Peoples Reference Group	Contact Group Lead for further details	Contact via phone or email	Grace Patient <u>Grace.Patient@ageukeastlo</u> <u>ndon.org.uk</u> <u>07384_511701</u>
Subco Trust	Contact Group Lead for further details	Contact via phone or email	Taskin <u>admin@subcotrust.org.uk</u> 0208 548 0070
The Greenhill Aphasia Group	Contact Group Lead for further details	Contact via phone or email	Annette Daniells-Smith rogerannette@bt.internet.co m 07931365158

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Cerebral palsy network Newham	Contact Group Lead for further details	Contact via phone or email	Habbib Aziz <u>cpn_newham@hotmail.com</u> 07903955353	
Children with special needs - Ruby's carers support group	Contact Group Lead for further details		Rubina Azam  Rubinaazam@hotmail.co.uk  07947158445	
Carers Peer Support Group Support group for all carers or parents of adults with autisim	First Wednesday of the month 11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Community Room, Morrison's, Canning Town, Silvertown Way E16 1ED	Sue Sinton Smith <u>suesintonsmith@hotmail.com</u> 07968424738 (Text only)	



### **Newham Carers Community: Monthly Training Schedule 2024**

#### The training will be delivered as a hybrid: in-person and Online

#### **JANUARY**

#### **BUILDING RESILIENCE AS A CARER**

DATE: MONDAY 29TH JANUARY
TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### **CARERS AND ADVOCACY**

DATE: MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **MARCH**

# MINDFULNESS MEDITATION FOR DAILY LIVING

DATE: MONDAY 18TH MARCH TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

LOCATION: EAST HAM LIBRARY, 328 BARKING RD,

LONDON E6 2RT

#### **APRIL**

#### THE RIGHTS OF CARERS: THE CARE ACT 2014

DATE: TUESDAY 16TH APRIL TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### MAY

#### **POSITIVE THINKING**

DATE: TUESDAY 21ST MAY TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### JUNE

### THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

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DATE: TUESDAY 18TH JUNE TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **JULY**

THINKING AHEAD FOR CARERS OF CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE/ADULTS

DATE: TUESDAY 16TH JULY TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **AUGUST**

#### STRESS/ANXIETY MANAGEMENT

DATE: TUESDAY 20TH AUGUST TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **SEPTEMBER**

# SKILLS FOR EFFECTIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

DATE: TUESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **OCTOBER**

# MAKING SUCCESSFUL DLA/PIP APPLICATIONS AND CHALLENGING DECISIONS

DATE: TUESDAY 22ND OCTOBER

TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **NOVEMBER**

#### **DEMENTIA AWARENESS FOR FAMILY CARERS**

DATE: TUESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

#### **DECEMBER**

#### ASSERTIVENESS SKILLS

DATE: TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER
TIME: 11AM - 12.30PM

**LOCATION: 655 BARKING RD, E13 9EX** 

For more information, please contact us on: 02039 543 143 or email to: info@newhamcarerscommunity.org.uk



# THINKING AHEAD FOR CARERS OF CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE/ADULTS

# **About the workshop**

This workshop enables parents/carers to make plans for the future. This includes planning for themselves as well as those they care for. Sometimes, parents/carers of children and young people are not aware that when the child turns 18, they legally become adults in their own rights, whether they are disabled or not.

Tuesday 16th July 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

655 Barking Rd E13 9EX (Age UK East London Offices)

ZOOM HTTPS://US06WEB.ZOOM.US/J/86004 636761

MEETING ID: 860 0463 6761







- information stalls
  - guest speakers
    - ▶ refreshments





BIT.LY/ **NEWHAM-HEALTH-FAIR**  Wednesday 17th July 11am-3pm

Old Town Hall, 29 Broadway, Stratford, E15 4BQ













# **NEWS AND EVENTS**

# A new autism school in Newham

#### **Email from Ambitious about Autism**

Hello.

I hope this email finds you well.

Ambitious about Autism is interested in applying to open the new autism-specific school in Newham and I'm looking to speak to others in the autism disability community about your experience of what the local community needs.

We are the national charity for autistic children and young people and aim to offer a range of support and opportunities, including delivering excellent education though our multi-academy trust. Our mission is to stand with autistic children and young people, champion their rights and create opportunities - we hope opening a school in Newham will do exactly that!

We believe all autistic young people have a right to the best education that meets their needs and enables them to learn, thrive and achieve. We're very proud of our modest number of schools and colleges which are rated Outstanding or Good by Ofsted. The schools in our trust follow the national curriculum as well as a social curriculum whilst receiving a range of supportive therapies such as Speech and Language, Occupational Health, music and art therapy, mindfulness and yoga.

As is the case in all the communities we work in, we endeavour to work closely with local autism/disability groups and value our role supporting the wider network of families and carers. I'd love to hear about your experience working within the autism/disability community in Newham.

Would someone be available at any of the following times for a brief virtual chat:

- Tuesday 25th June after 3pm
- Thursday 4th July before 3.30pm Friday 5th July anytime
- Monday 8th July after 11am

Alternatively, might we ask you and your team to fill out our short survey (less than 5mins to complete): <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/tell-us-your-views-autism-school-newham">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/tell-us-your-views-autism-school-newham</a>



# **NEWS AND EVENTS**

#### **Newham Community Fund - Grants of £500**

Please see attached information on the Newham community fund as well as the link to the online application form

Please use QR code or link to apply - Summer Round deadline 5th July.

Got a question or want to chat: Email info@onenewham.org.uk

#### **Apply Here**



#### Free Will writing service

St Joseph's Hospice have teamed up with local solicitors to help you put your affairs in order FREE OF CHARGE.

Click the link below for further details

https://www.stjh.org.uk/support-us/gifts-in-wills/will-writing/#workshops



# **NEWS AND EVENTS**

#### Neighbourhood Small Grants Programme 2024/25

The Neighbourhood Small Grants programme is open to any not-for-profit organisation including voluntary, community and faith organisations working in Newham that support local projects and activities addressing community needs. The programme is designed to empower and make positive changes in local neighbourhoods with a key focus on supporting small, emerging and local community groups who have not been successful with larger grant programmes.

Organisations can apply for between £500 and £1000 per application.

This grant programme is now live. Running from Friday 14 June 2024 closing on Sunday 28 July 2024 at 11pm.

**Apply here!** 

#### Carers Information, Advice and Guidance Support

Mondays 10:30 am - 1:00 pm Tuesdays 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Wednesdays 10:30 am - 1:00 pm

Receive expert specific carers support regarding entitlements & benefits, employment, training and welfare rights.

By Appointment Only Please Book On: 07718 922033

49 Plashet Rd E13 0QA

#### Carers Activities

Monday: 10am - 12pm - Digital Tech session and arts and crafts

Tuesday: 11am -12pm - Yoga session

Last Tuesday of the month: 11am - 1pm - Carers Group Drop in

Thursday Group: 11am - 1.30pm - Drums, Poetry, Dance and Social Chit Chat

For details please call: 07718 922033

Address: 49 Plashet Rd E13 0QA



# NATIONAL CARERS DISCOUNT CARD COMPARISON CHART



Carers Card UK carerscarduk.co.uk	Forward Carers forwardcarers.org.uk	NAME OF CARD
Card & App	Card & App	CARD/APP
Online registration and ID photograph, i.e., passport style	Online registration Supporting evidence required and ID photograph, i.e., passport style	REQUIREMENTS
Carer ID Stored In Case of Emergency contact details.  My Support: A catalogue of useful information, from guides to best practices.  Your Carer Circle: Allows you to create a circle of care for the person you look after; add notes, tasks, appointments, medication lists as well as monitoring the wellbeing of the person you care for.  Wellbeing Hub - A source of useful advice, videos and audiobooks to help with your wellbeing. Online discounts including: Days Out Home and Garden Women's Fashion Gifts and Occasions	<ul> <li>Carer ID</li> <li>Stored In Case of Emergency contact details</li> <li>Access to Carer friendly community and online support</li> <li>Some national discounts</li> </ul>	BENEFITS
£8.00 (valid for 2 years)	£15	COST

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_	Discount for Carers discountsforcarers.com	NAME OF CARD
	App Only	CARD/APP
	Online registration	REQUIREMENTS
	<ul> <li>Money-saving deals and vouchers including:</li> <li>Savings on homeware and electricals</li> <li>Deals on mobile phones</li> <li>Utilities and gym memberships</li> <li>Cashback card available with over 16% cashback on purchases at 80% of retailers once registered.</li> <li>Free membership for the first year then £2.99 per year after</li> </ul>	BENEFITS
	FREE for 1st year (then £2.99 per year after)	COST

Cards or would like some help to apply for one, please If you would like more information on Carer Discount contact Newham Carers Community on:

Email: info@newhamcarerscommunity.org.uk



# **Newham Carers Community**





# FREE ONLINE TRAINING COURSES FOR

# NEWHAMCARERS

OVER 130 SOCIAL CARE COURSES VIA GREY MATTER LEARNING

For more information, please contact Newham Carers Community on:

Email: info@newhamcarerscommunity.org.uk

Telephone: 0203 9543 143







# **USEFUL INFORMATION**

#### **Carers Assessment**

Use the link for more information

https://www.newham.gov.uk/health-adult-social-care/carers-assessments/1

#### **Carers Emergency Card**

Use the link for more information

https://www.newham.gov.uk/health-adult-social-care/emergency-care-arrangements/2

#### Form Filling Support

- Your Community Neighbourhoods (Libraries) offer PC access and basic support and guidance in every library across the borough. See Newham library services – Newham Council for more details;
- Community Links offer a free form filling service (105 Barking Road please contact <a href="mailto:advice@community-links.org">advice@community-links.org</a> or on **0207 473 9681**to book an appointment)
- Ascension Community Trust offer free advice and form filling support. Please contact <u>admin@ascensioncommunitytrust.org</u> Tel: **020 7511 1232** to make an appointment).
- Community Links: Chandos East Community Hub Open for drop-in appointments on Monday between 12.30pm and 3pm. For further information, call 020 8555 0850 (90 Chandos Road, Stratford, E15 1TT)

#### **Correspondence Support**

- Voicebaility support for those most vulnerable commissioned by Newham newham@voiceability.org
- Community Links Please contact <u>advice@community-links.org</u>, Tel: 0207 473 9681, or visit 105 Barking Road, London, E16 4HQ, for an appointment



# **USEFUL INFORMATION**

#### Benefits and Debt - Our Newham Money support with

Debt & benefit advice - Helping residents to understand the options that are available to them, supporting them to set up repayment plans with their creditors. Undertaking a benefits assessment to establish entitlements and ensuring residents are claiming all entitlements. Support with completing forms related to benefits.

Budgeting / money management advice - Free, impartial, confidential.

Energy advice line - identifying and applying for discounts, referring to priority service registers, switching advice, supplier dispute advice, referring for wider services (fire safety checks, taxi card etc.)

Hardship Support Scheme – support with food and energy costs and other items can be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Home energy visits - arrange free home visiting service to install free small measures such as energy saving bulbs, draught excluders, radflex and more to reduce usage, as well as behavioural advice and controls advice.

Repayment plans - negotiating and agreeing Council Tax & Housing Benefit Overpayments

Emergency support - interest free loans for basic essential furniture, rent deposits and energy.

Affordable loans - loans up to £1,500 for essential purchases, household items, white goods and debt consolidation.



# **USEFUL INFORMATION**

# Housing – please visit Housing, homes and homelessness – Newham Council for more information

Council Tenants - Housing Liaison Officers based in each Neighbourhood (click here for contacts) Housing Liaison Team Housing Liaison Officers provide tenancy and leasehold management, undertaking block and estate inspections and responding and dealing with housing and tenancy related enquiries raised by tenants and leaseholders. Provide regular housing surgeries for residents, resolve general housing queries, supporting in bidding and housing applications etc.

Private tenants - Private Housing Technical Support Tel: 020 3373 1950 or Email: privatehousing@newham.gov.uk

Homelessness prevention and advice – offers advice for people under threat of homelessness, someone who is rough sleeping or Homeless from Temporary Accommodation. The fastest way to get assistance is by completing an online application or emailing: <a href="mailto:hpas@newham.gov.uk">hpas@newham.gov.uk</a>. Find out more by following this link Homelessness prevention and advice – Newham Council

#### Other Useful Resident Advice Services

UCL Integrated Legal Advice Clinic - see link for more details

UCL Integrated Legal Advice Clinic (UCL iLAC) | LawWorks

Age UK (Newham Office) – see link for details <u>Turn2Us - Advice Finder - Age UK East London (Newham office) - London</u>

Plaistow South Big Local Money Matters – see link for more details <u>Money Matters – Plaistow South Big Local (psbl.org.uk)</u>



# **GET IN CONTACT**

If you would like to feature in the Carer Spotlight or contribute to future editions please feel free to email:

Newham Carers Community Team - info@newhamcarerscommunity.org.uk

# IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

#### **Newham Adult Social Services**

•Telephone: 020 8430 2000 Option 2 Textphone: 18001 020 8430 2000

#### **Samaritans**

**•**116 123

#### **Cruse Bereavement Helpline**

·0808 808 1677

#### **Victim Support**

- ·0808 689 111
- ·Website:

https://www.victimsupport.org.uk/help-andsupport/get-help/supportline

#### **National Domestic Violence Helpline**

- · 0808 2000 247
- •Website: https://www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk

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