



## Talk Community Newsletter

### 14 April 2022

#### Bunnies, egg hunts and Easter fun!

It's officially the Easter holidays and there's so much happening across our county! The four day weekend is the highlight for many families, and nobody wants to be sat around the house staring at the TV the whole time (ok, maybe the kids do!)

That's why we've put together an awesome list of everything that's happening across Herefordshire, from egg hunts to cooking groups and junk modelling to pottery sessions, we've got it all!

So if you're looking for something to keep you and your family occupied this Easter Holidays, check out our list of fun activities and events on the [Talk Community Directory website](#).



#### Last chance to nominate your volunteer heroes!

Do you know someone who makes a huge difference by volunteering in their community?

In honour of Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Royal Voluntary Service set up the Platinum Champions Awards, to recognise volunteers who go above and beyond to make a huge difference in their communities.

Those nominated could be invited to their local Big Jubilee Lunch celebration and ten Platinum Champions from each award category will be invited to the official Big Jubilee Lunch in London on 5 June!

If you know someone who deserves recognition for their incredible voluntary work, nominate them for a Platinum Champions Award, but you'll have to be quick, there's only three days left to apply!

Nominations close at midnight on Monday 18 April and you can nominate on the [Royal Voluntary Service website](#)



### Hvoss two meet the funder events

Meet the Funder, hosted by hvoss, is a not to be missed FREE event for any group looking to fundraise for a new project to help their local community thrive.

There's two dates on offer with information about how to apply for two different funds of hundreds of thousands of pounds, which are ready to support local charities and community groups.

[Register for the first talk on the 20 April](#) to find out all about the Weston Power Distribution Community Fund, or [join the second talk on the 27 April](#) to find out about The Garfield Weston Foundation

# Meet The Funder



Wednesday 20th April, 2 to 3pm



## Become a care home friend!

Calling all young people aged 5-14! Smash through the generational barriers, get involved and become a care home friend with this 10 week challenge!

Sign up and you'll receive short, fun activities to challenge children to think about different ages and generations. They'll learn all about care homes and the people that live and work in them and will even get the opportunity to make something to share with a local home!

Complete the challenge and they'll receive their very own care home friend certificate! Visit the [My Home Life England website](#) for more information.



## Accessible Herefordshire want to hear from you!

We live in a wonderful county, full of wonderful people, and Accessible Herefordshire CIC want to know all about your experiences of inclusion and access in Herefordshire.

Have you experienced fantastic customer support, or has a local organisation gone above and beyond to support inclusion? Accessible Herefordshire CIC want to improve Herefordshire for all, and they want to hear about all your experiences, the good, the bad and the ugly.

Let them know about your experiences of inclusion and access over the Easter holidays, about shops and restaurants that you visit, businesses and events, and attitudes.

Send over your constructive information via email, write a blog or record a quick video, whatever is easiest for you, then send them over to [accessibleherefordshire@gmail.com](mailto:accessibleherefordshire@gmail.com)

## The Herefordshire spring jobs fair

Spring into action this April and make that career move you've been looking for!

Whether you're looking for your first job, or deciding to make a change, there's something for everyone at the Herefordshire Spring Jobs Fair!

Over 40 local businesses will be ready to meet potential candidates on Wednesday 27 April at The Shell Store in Skylon Park.

The fair is organised by employment and training charity Landau, who will also be on hand to discuss how they can support you in your journey into employment. For more information, and to find out which businesses will be at the fair, visit the [Landau website](#).



## Help our communities - Keep Herefordshire Warm

Right now, we could all do with a little extra help keeping our bills under control. That's why we're pleased to tell you about a FREE course on energy use in the home and fuel poverty awareness run by Keep Herefordshire Warm.

This online session is aimed at frontline staff, volunteers, community workers, councillors - or anyone who supports households and communities who may be at risk of fuel poverty.

The next session is on Tuesday 10 May and you can find out all the details and book your tickets now through the [Eventbrite website](#).



## Covid-19 update

There is still local and national Covid-19 information and support available.

**Local data:** [Understanding Herefordshire Covid-19 summary website](#)

**Local information:** [Herefordshire Council website](#)

**Local vaccinations:** [Herefordshire and Worcestershire Clinical Commissioning Group website](#)

**National guidance:** [Government website](#)

**Urgent medication supplies:** [NHS website](#) / call NHS 111

**Talk Community helpline:** The helpline is still available to help residents, who don't have support from family, friends or their local community, with food supplies, medication delivery or befriending (this includes those who are self-isolating).

Call: 01432 260027

E-mail: [talkcommunityhelpline@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:talkcommunityhelpline@herefordshire.gov.uk)

Online: [Coronavirus - Talk Community support](#)

**[www.talkcommunity.org](http://www.talkcommunity.org)**

