

Nottinghamshire Children and Young Peoples

Voluntary Sector Newsletter

General news:



Nottinghamshire fostering community celebrates talented young people at Foster Care Fortnight event

Talented young people took to the stage last Thursday night (15 May) to showcase their skills at a special Foster Care Fortnight (12 – 25 May 2025) celebration for Nottinghamshire's fostering families and fostered children and young people.

Fostering's Got Talent, organised annually by Nottinghamshire County Council, saw the local fostering community come together at West Notts College's Create Theatre in Mansfield to celebrate the young people's talents as well as to meet and socialise with fellow foster caring families.

This year's event showcased skills including dancing and singing. The winner was selected by audience votes. The 10-year-old wowed the audience singing 'Somewhere Only We Know'. The talented youngster came third at last year's event, so it was extra-special for them to come back and win overall this year. The second-place act was a 9-year-old dancer, and in third place a 12-year-old member of Care To Dance performing a solo dance piece.

The winner received tickets to the live semi-final of popular ITV show Britain's Got Talent in London, courtesy of Fremantle and Thames TV. Runners up received Love2Shop vouchers and certificates for their participation.

[Nottinghamshire fostering community celebrates talented young people at Foster Care Fortnight event | Nottinghamshire County Council](#)



The NottAlone podcast: real talk about young people's mental health

The NottAlone podcast features real-life stories, practical advice and expert insights on mental health. The first series focuses children and young people, covering topics like building resilience in early childhood, navigating anxiety, school attendance and more.

It's perfect for parents and carers, as well as teachers or anyone who wants to better understand and support young people with their mental health.

The podcast is now available on all major streaming platforms, or you can visit the website to listen to all episodes and find out more.



[The NottAlone Podcast | NottAlone](#)



Pioneers forum for young people

Pioneers is a forum for young people aged 11 to 25, with an interest in disability issues, and aims to represent and enable young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) to have a voice and be heard.

Meeting one Saturday every month, the next event is Saturday, 14 June from 10:30am through to 2pm.

[Nottshelpyourself | The Nottinghamshire Pioneers Youth Forum](#)

Training News:



Ashfield Play forum in partnership with the National Lottery Community Grant offer free training to the residents of Ashfield.

They have kindly offered unfilled spaces to anyone who receives the voluntary sector newsletter.

June 2025

- Nutrition and Health – Saturday 7th
9:00am-12:00pm
- Autism Awareness – Saturday 14th
9:00am- 12:00pm
- Mental health and well-being – Saturday 21st
9:00am -16:00pm
- Emergency First Aid – Saturday 28th –
9:00am-16:00pm

All training is held at Ashfield Play Forum and is free to attend including materials, certificates, and exam fees if applicable. Please note a refundable deposit of £20 per person is required.

For further information or to book a place we can be contacted by email: info@ashfieldplayforum.co.uk or Telephone 01623 441168



Youth Work Training

Are you looking for a way to upskill your staff team?

Are you looking for a training package that allows your team to gain the knowledge and skills that they need to deliver high quality youth work provision.

The Youth Service offers three levels of training for youth support workers based within the county.

We offer:

- Youth Work Induction Training
- Skills Education Group- Level 2- Practical Youth Work
- Skills Education Group- Level 3- Practical Youth Work

For further information on the courses on offer for youth work training please contact Andy Marks,

andy.marks@nottsccl.gov.uk



The C Card Scheme Nottinghamshire Training Programme 2025-2026

The C Card scheme is a free sexual health advice and condom service for young people aged 13-25.

The registration training is for those who are working in a C Card site or who wish to set up as a C Card registration site and register young people onto the C Card scheme. The training will enable you to obtain information about the scheme, its background, the procedures involved, your role as a C Card worker and how to implement the scheme in your location successfully.

The refresher training is for those who have already done the registration training and need to update themselves.

The training is free and available to anyone who works with young people living in Nottinghamshire. Please see the training programme below for more information.

Booking onto these events is essential. You can book a place using the online application forms. A list of all the dates is available

C Card refresher training | Nottinghamshire County Council



Harmless

Nottinghamshire County Council, Nottingham City Council and NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB have commissioned Harmless to deliver a range of funded CPD accredited evidence-based training courses in:

- Mental Health Awareness
- Suicide Prevention / Intervention
- Suicide Bereavement
- Self-Harm Awareness

We aim to provide funded training to equip individuals with the confidence and skill to be able to respond and support individuals in distress.

Suicide Prevention & Intervention Training

Monday 16th June 12:30-16:30- [Suicide Prevention & Intervention Training \(Nottingham and Nottinghamshire\) Tickets, Mon 16 Jun 2025 at 12:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Self Harm Awareness Training

Wednesday 4th June 12:30-16:30- [Self Harm Awareness Training \(Nottingham and Nottinghamshire\) Tickets, Wed 4 Jun 2025 at 12:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Suicide Bereavement Training

Tuesday 10th June 12:30-16:30 - [Suicide Bereavement Training \(Nottingham & Nottinghamshire\) Tickets, Tue 10 Jun 2025 at 12:30 | Eventbrite](#)



Bite Size Training for Professionals (1 Attachment)

Bitesize is training delivered by our experienced practitioners from our Be U Notts service and is aimed at professionals in Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire who are wanting to develop their knowledge and skill set on a wide variety of mental health topics.

Alongside this, we plan to offer either bespoke part/half day sessions for specific groups of staff or can deliver one of the sessions to a staff group. This could be face to face or online in the form of insets, twilights, pastoral meetings etc. They can be accessed by all schools regardless of MHST support or not.

- Neurodivergence – 6th June
- Anxiety – 12th June
- Depression – 20th June
- Anger – 26th June
- Exam Stress – 4th July
- Gender Discomfort – 8th July
- Body Image/Eating – 17th July
- Obsessive Thoughts – 21st July

To book your place in the training, please email beu.notts@ablhealth.co.uk with the name of the session you would like to attend. You will then receive an email confirmation of your booking.

Job Vacancies:

Job Vacancies – for voluntary groups who wish to advertise within their organisations. If you have any upcoming vacancies, please let us know and we will put your request in our newsletter.



Qualified Youth Worker

We have an exciting opportunity for a professionally qualified Youth Worker Level 6 to be part of the Newark & Sherwood team. The role will go across two districts in the North, Bassetlaw and Newark & Sherwood and will require collaborative working.

The Link Youth Worker post support young people aged 13 - 24 with disabilities with an inclusive youth provision offer. You will be supporting young people to develop a sense of belonging, building on transferable skills.

- **Hourly Rate:** £19.09 - £20.60 per hour
- **Hours per week:** 37
- **Work Base:** Dukeries Young People Centre, Boughton, NG22 9JJ
- **Interview date:** 05/07/2025
- **Closing Date:** 19 June 2025

Your main base will be at Dukeries Young People Centre, but your remit will cover the north of county and involve travelling to various settings, there will be times when you will need to attend events and projects. You must have a full driving licence and access to a vehicle to fulfil these roles. Disabled employees who are unable to drive because of their disability will be able to use taxis to carry out their duties.

If you have any questions about the post, please contact Kira Sharpe, kira.sharpe@nottsc.gov.uk Mobile: 07974843118.

More Information or to apply: [Qualified Youth Worker - Nottinghamshire County Council](#)



Nottinghamshire County Council

Youth Support Worker

We are seeking both experienced and new Youth Support Workers to deliver open access youth work sessions during the evenings to young people aged 10 to 19. Current sessions available are:

- Monday 6pm to 8.30pm
- Tuesday 6pm to 8.30pm
- Thursday 6pm to 8.30pm
- Friday 6pm to 8.30pm

Youth Work can be a challenging role and requires a positive and reliable person be a Youth Support Worker.

Closing date: **22nd June 2025**

If you have any questions about the post, please contact Kira Sharpe, kira.sharpe@nottsc.gov.uk Mobile: 07974843118.

More Information or to apply: [Youth Support Worker - Nottinghamshire County Council](#)

Voluntary Sector Development

The Voluntary Sector Development Team forms part of Nottinghamshire County Council's Youth Service. Our team covers the seven districts in Nottinghamshire working to support Voluntary Sector Organisations that work primarily with Children and Young People between 4 and 19 (25 if the young people are looked after or young disabled people).

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/youth-services/voluntary-sector-development-team

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