DIAL SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE



GUIDE TO SERVICES

in Worcestershire



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INTRODUCTION

This Guide has been produced by **Dial South Worcestershire** (Disability Information and Advice Line).

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It is intended to provide disabled people, carers and professionals with information on local and some national advice, support and social organisations.

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If further copies of the Guide are needed then they can be downloaded from our website www.dialsworcs.org.uk.



The information in this booklet was correct at the time of publication. If you notice anything which is now incorrect please to let us know so we can update the version available on the website.

MAIN CONTACT DETAILS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT DISABILITY SERVICES IN WORCESTERSHIRE

DIAL SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE Tel: 01905 27790

www.dialsworcs.org.uk

Information, advice and full welfare benefit service for disabled people and carers including casework and appeal representation.

WORCESTERSHIRE ADVICE NETWORK

www.advicenetworkworcestershire.org.uk

A partnership network of Dial's and Citizens Advice Bureau's. Website gives information and has a online referral system

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

www.worcestershire.gov.uk

Worcestershire County Council site. Provides a wealth of information on adult care services and local advice and support organisations.

ADULT SERVICES (Social Services) Tel: 0845 607 2000

Social care advice service

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/cms/social-care-and-health

WORCESTERSHIRE CARERS UNIT Tel: 0800389 2896

www.worcestershire.gov.uk

Information on numerous carers and support groups within Worcestershire

DEAF DIRECT Tel: 01905 723245

Work with deaf and hard of hearing people. Training, communication advice, information and guidance.

www.deafdirect.org.uk

SIGHT CONCERN Tel: 01905 723245

Provide information, equipment, training and recreational and social activities for blind and visually impaired people

www.sightconcern.co.uk

DIAL North Worcestershire Tel: 0845 2001072

www.nwdial.org.uk

Information and form filling service for disabled people and carers

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SOUTH WORCESTERSHIRE DIAL

Telephone: 01905 27790

Address: 54, Friary Walk, Crowngate Centre,

Worcester, WR1 3LE

Email: <u>mail@dialsworcs.org.uk</u>
Website: <u>www.dialsworcs.org.uk</u>

Dial South Worcestershire is a free, confidential information and advice service for disabled people and carers. Our aim is to enable people to make informed decisions, improve their lifestyle, remain independent and maximise their income.

What we do at Dial South Worcestershire

We run an information service on general disability issues from aids and equipment to home adaptations and transport. We are however predominantly a welfare benefit service. We offer:

- Telephone Welfare Benefit Enquiry Line
- ◆ Benefit Form Filling Service for PIP, DLA, AA, ESA etc
- Full Casework Service
- Representation at Disability Benefit Appeal Tribunals

How do we offer the service:

We have a fully accessible office in Crowngate, Worcester. We offer our clients free parking. We also run an outreach service where we offer a full welfare benefit form filling service in:

- Pershore Civic Centre
- Evesham HUB
- Malvern HUB
- Droitwich HUB

Home visits are offered if needed

Dial South Worcestershire works to Advice Quality Standards and holds their Quality Mark. We also hold the CredAbility Quality Mark

DIAL NORTH WORCESTERSHIRE

Telephone: 0845 2001072 Office Line: 01562 60241

Address: Green Street Depot,

Green Street,

Kidderminster, DY10 1HA

Email: info@nwdial.org.uk

www.nwdial.org.uk

Dial North Worcestershire is a free, confidential information and form filling service for disabled people and carers in North Worcestershire

Appointments made in:

- Kidderminster
- Redditch on request
- Bromsgrove on request.

WORCESTERSHIRE ADVICE NETWORK

www.advicenetworkworcestershire.org.uk

The network is a partnership of Citizens Advice Bureaus, four Age UK's and Dials within Worcestershire. The website has information on a wide range of issues, social media discussion forum and a self referral system.



ADULT SOCIAL CARE SERVICES IN WORCESTERSHIRE

The Adult Services Department provides a general social work service for people with a physical disability or sensory impairment. There are many ways they assist disabled people.

- Blue Parking Badge
- Care Assessments
- Fair Access to Care
- Equipment to help with disabilities
- Visual Impairment Support
- Hearing Impairment Support
- Community Meals
- Respite Care
- Community Based Activities

Some of the above may be subject to financial assessment. If you require further information about their services phone Adult Services on:

0845 607 2000

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20004/health and social care



ACCOMMODATION & HOUSING

For information about specialist housing accommodation in your area please contact the Local Council office.

Wyre Forest Community Housing Tel: 08001 695454

www.communityhg.com

Bromsgrove District Housing Trust Tel: 08000 850160

www.bdht.co.uk

Redditch Borough Council Tel: 01527 64252

http://redditch.whub.org.uk

Malvern Hills District Council Tel: 01684 862151

http://malvern.whub.org.uk

Worcester City Council Tel: 01905 722233

www.worcester.gov.uk

Wychavon District Council Tel: 01386 565000

http://wychavon.gov.uk
House Associations

For further information about Housing Associations in your area please

contact your local Council Office

Stonham Housing Association Tel: 01527 402834

212 Mount Pleasant, Redditch B97 4JL

<u>Carr-Gomm Housing</u> Tel: 0300 6663030

www.carrgomm.org.uk

Fortis Housing Group Tel: 03301230700

www.fortisliving.com

Golden Lane Housing Tel: 03000037007

Supported living for people with a learning disability

www.mencap.org.uk

Richmond Fellowship Tel: 020 7697 3300

A charity and housing association. Providing care & rehabilitation to enable people with mental health, learning disabilities, addictions and other problems to live in the community.

www.richmondfellowship.,org.uk

ACCOMMODATION & HOUSING

Worcester CAB & WHABAC

(Worcester Housing and Benefits Advice Centre)

The service provides a free information and support on all forms of housing needs. The Hopmarket, The Foregate, Worcester WR1 1DL

www.cabwhabac.org.uk

Rethink Mental illness

Provides a range of accommodation and support to individuals with long term mental illness

www.rethink.org

Free phone: 0808 8004444 Shelter

Confidential housing advice line, open from 8am to Midnight

http://england.shelter.org.uk

Advance Support Service

Support service for people with learning disabilities or mental health problems (they can have other disabilities)

www.advancehousing.org.uk

Warmer Worcestershire

Tel: 08009882881

Advice on insulation including eligibility for free insulation

www.warmerworcestershire.com

Disabled Facilities Grant

Tel 01684 579456

Tel: 01684 579456

Tel: 0844 4111303

Tel: 03005000927

Tel: 03330124307

Care and Repair is a home improvement agency which provides independent advice on help with repairs, modernisation and home adaptations to people who are elderly, have a disability or on a low income. The agency can help in applying for grants where appropriate which may fund all or part of the work.

Contact Worcestershire Care and Repair agency for further information on eligibility and guide lines.

www.careandrepairworcestershire.co.uk

Minor Works Grant

Minor Works Grants are also available. This covers essential repairs, home safety and security, energy efficiency measures. Typical works include rewiring, re-roofing, new doors and windows.

www.careandrepairworcestershire.co.uk

CARERS

Information can be obtained from your local Adult Services Department 0845 607 2000 and your G.P.

Worcestershire Carer's Unit Tel: 0800 389 2896

Provides information, advice, support and Adult Services carers assessments.

Information on numerous carers groups within Worcestershire

www.worcestershire.gov.uk

Carers U.K. Carers line:

This national organisation is led by carers themselves to raise awareness of the needs of carers among professionals.

Tel: 0808 808 7777

Tel: 01527 66177

www.carersuk.org

Worcestershire Association of Carers Tel: 01905 751340

Helpline Tel: 0300 0124272

Provide various services for carers including information, newsletter, carers emergency card, telephone befriending. Contact for more details.

They run Carers Groups in Bewdley, Bromsgrove, Droitwich, Evesham, Inkberrow, Kidderminster, Malvern, Martley, Pershore, Stourport and Worcester.

www.carersworcs.org.uk

Worcestershire Young Carers Project Tel: 01905 730780

This project aims to provide information, support & advice for young carers, as well as practical activities.

www.yss.org.uk

Redditch Carers Careline

Provides carers support groups and activities, sitting service, "life after caring" support and counselling services for carers in Redditch.

www.carerscareline.co.uk

The North Star Foundation Tel: 01905 772233

North Star Foundation supports people with learning disabilities and mental health issues in Worcestershire.

www.homecare.co.uk

South Worcestershire Diabetes Support Group

www.diabetes-southworcsgroup.org.uk

CARERS

Home care services

A home care assistant may be available to help with everyday personal tasks, contact Adult Services

Crossroads Care Worcester & Malvern Tel: 01905 729293

Evesham & Pershore Tel: 01386 49926 North Worcestershire Tel: 01905 729293

Home care services and respite for carers

www.homecareworcestershire.org.uk

Cool2care:

Cool2care is an information site for carers

www.cool2care.co.uk

Alzheimers Cafe, Evesham Tel: 01905 22195 Tel: 01684 612763 Al's Cafe. Perdiswell Alzheimers Carers Group, Bromsgrove Tel: 01905 22195 Alzheimers Carers Group, Wyre Forest Tel: 01562 823800 Alzheimers Advice Sessions Malvern Tel: 01684 891455 Alzheimers Advice Sessions Tenbury Tel: 01905 823800 Tenbury & District Carers Support Group Tel: 01584 810643 Ed's Cafe. Burcott Tel: 01527 488694 Redditch Carers Support Tel: 01527 488694 Worcester Carers Support Tel: 01905 761200

For information on Support and Carers Groups for Mental Health, Learning Disabilities, Parkinsons, and MS contact Worcestershire Carers Unit – Tel 0800 389 2896

www.worcestrshire.gov.uk/carers

Tel: 01214 45 1929
Tel: 01527 66177
Tel: 01905 827066
Tel: 01562 827511
Tel: 01527 592108
Tel: 01527 488754
Tel: 01905 751340

CARERS

Al's Way project Tel: 01905 730970 St Richards Carers Group Tel: 01905 763963

For information on groups for people with ME and carers

people with ME and carers

Tel: 01905 455187

Groups in Bromsgrove, Droitwich, Kidderminster, Malvern, Pershore, and Worcester

For information on Support Groups for people who have had a stroke and carers contact:

 Bromsgrove & Redditch
 Tel: 01527 488133

 Worcester
 Tel: 01885 482485

 Wyre Forrest
 Tel: 01562 827511

 Headway Worcester
 Tel: 01905 729729

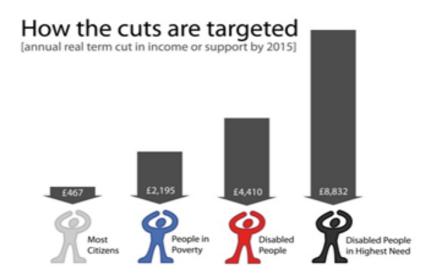
Provide friendship and support to families following a acquired brain injury www.headwayworcestertrust.com

Worcester Breast Cancer Support Group

www.wychegnome.ltd.uk

Worcestershire ME Support Group

www.worcsmegroup.weebly.com



Information about services for children with disabilities can be obtained from the **Children with Disabilities Team**Tel: 0845 607 2000

Homestart – the nature of Homestart is due to change from 2014

Support for families under stress with at least one child under the age of 5.

National NumberTel: 08000 686368Wyre ForestTel: 01562 825896North-east WorcestershireTel: 01527 62819Worcester & WychavonTel: 01905 29377

www.home-start.org.uk

Family Lives Tel: 08088 002222

National family support charity

www.familylives.org.uk

Childline (Helpline) Tel: 0800 1111

Helpline for children and young people to the age of 18, in danger, in distress or with any problem whatsoever.

www.childline.org.uk

Hansel & Gretel Child Development Centre Tel: 01562 68295

This is a day unit for children with special needs aged between 0 and 5 years. It offers play, learning and assessment for children and support for their families. Wyre Forest area.

www.hanselgretel.org.uk

Scott Atkinson Child Development Centre Tel: 01527 488520

The service provides multi-agency needs assessment, advice and support to children under 5 and their families. Redditch and Bromsgrove area.

Child Development Team Tel: 01905 681860

(Worcestershire NHS Trust) Coordinates the range of therapeutic and medical services available to children with special needs.

www.hacw.nhs.uk

AFASIC Worcestershire Tel:03006669410

Support group of local parents of children with speech, language & communication difficulties

www.afasic.org.uk

Tel: 0808 808 3555

Contact A Family

This is a group set up for families with children with disabilities. Help families to support one another to share experiences and pool their skills.

www.cafamily.org.uk

West Midlands Contact A Family Tel: 0121 415 4624

Malvern Special Families Tel: 01684 892526

(Incorporating Contact a Family) Family support group for children with disabilities and special needs. Youth club and social evenings and weekend playscheme.

www.malvernspecialfamilies.org.uk

Barnardos Breakaway & Dudley

Share Care Project Tel: 01384 458585

Long term foster care, short break and respite care project for children with Disabilities.

New Hope (Saturdays & school holidays only) Tel: 01905 355295

Daytime breaks for families with disabilities

www.newhopeworcester.co.uk

Children's Information Service

Information around child care

Worcestershire Children's Information Service Tel: 01905 763763

www.worcestershire.gov.uk

Acorns Children Hospice Tel: 01905 767676

Care for the child with life limiting illness, support for the family in your area.

350 Bath Road, Worcester WR5 3EX

www.acorns.org.uk

Snoezelen Multi-sensory leisure/therapy centre for people with special needs of any age. Self referral & booking necessary.

www.worcestersnoezelen.org.uk Tel: 01905 748229

Sociables and Crews Hub Tel: 01299 400655

Centre helps children and young people to enjoy life. Play, social and work programmes. Bewdley

programmes. Bewoley

www.facebook.com

Tel: 01799541807

Tel: 01904 621115

Tel: 01905 778275

Tel: 01462 454 986

Fledgling Family Services

Helps families caring for a disabled child to obtain impartial independent information products which help with a Child's development or help the carer in their caring role.

http://fledglings.org.uk

Autism West Midlands - (family support) Tel: 0121 450 7582

Autism W.M. is a charitable organisation offering free information, advice and support for children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder and their families. Helpline available Monday to Friday 10am-2pm

www.autismwestmidlands.org.uk

The Family Fund

A government fund run by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation to help families with a child who has a severe disability.

Each families request is looked at individually.

www.familyfund.org.uk

Worcestershire Short Breaks Project

Barnardos (in partnership with Worcestershire County Council) This project links families who have children with disabilities (up to the age of 18) to specially approved carers to allow families to take a break from caring for their child with special needs, and to give children the chance to widen their social life.

Whizz-Kidz Tel: 020 7233 6600

provides equipment for disabled children's mobility, trikes, bikes, manual wheelchairs, light weight wheelchairs, that are not available on the NHS.

www.whizz-kidz.org.uk

Kaleidoscope Breakaway, South Worcs Tel: 01684 565204

Respite for pre-school children with special needs giving families a few hours to spend with other siblings.

www.kaleidoscope-breakaway.org.uk

Dyspraxia Foundation

http://dyspraxiafoundation.org.uk

Deaf Direct - (Family Services Department) Tel: 01905 746301

Works with deaf and hard of hearing children and their families in the communities of Herefordshire and Worcestershire. Other times by appointment. Some children's activities incur a small charge.

www.deafdirect.org.uk

Child Brain Injury Trust

Support/activity group for young people with an acquired brain injury, plus information and support for parents. Acquired brain injury can be as a result of traumatic injury (accident) or illness such as meningitis.

Tel: 0303 3032248

Brain & Spine Foundation Helpline Tel: 08088081000

www.brainandspine.org.uk

Association of Wheelchair Children Tel: 01482 887163

www.wheelchairchildren.org.uk

Children's Chronic Arthritis Association Tel: 07958187600

www.ccaa.org.uk

ERIC (Education & Resources for Improving

Childhood Continence) Helpline Tel: 08453 708008

ERIC is the UK's childhood continence charity. They work to reduce the suffering to children and young people caused by continence issues.

www.eric.org.uk

Worcestershire Special Educational Needs Tel:01905 768153

Information and support for parents with a focus on children who have educational needs

Osborne Court Tel: 01684 612727

Children's emergency assessment and support service. Short break (respite) service. Hydrotherapy service.

www.hacw.nhs.uk

Worcester Deaf Children's Society

www.worcdcs.org

Worcestershire Parent and Carers Community

Charity that supports families who have a disabled child www.parentcarers.org.uk

CHILDREN - SPORT

Bromsgrove Dolphin Centre Tel: 01527 549130

They have a changing bed and a Oxford dipper. Please phone prior to visit.

Droitwich Swimming Pool Tel: 01905 771212

They have changing rooms, showers, and hoist and emergency cords.

Evesham Swimming Pool Tel: 01386 444212

They have changing rooms, showers, hoist, toilet, ramps and a hearing loop. Available anytime.

Malvern Special Needs Swimming Club Tel: 01684 893423

Malvern Splash Saturdays 5.15pm to 6.15pm

Redditch, Hewell Road Swimming Pool Tel: 01527 64189

They have disabled changing room, shower and hoist. The disabled session is on Thursday at 3pm to 3.30pm

Stourport Sports Centre Tel: 01299 822308

They have ramps, changing rooms, electric doors, hoist and emergency cords. Available anytime.

Worcester Citizens Swimming Pool Tel: 01905 421089

They have level access.

Worcester Swimming and Fitness Centre Tel: 01905 20241

They have disabled changing room, hoist, and ramps, available anytime.

Wyre Forest Glades Leisure Centre Tel: 01562 515151

They have changing rooms, toilet, shower, emergency cords, and wheelchair to side of pool.

Available anytime or during the quiet time, morning till 12.30pm.

Inclusive Athletics Tel: 01527 875207

Club for young people with physical disability, Ryland Centre, Bromsgrove

Wheelchair Basketball Tel: 01527 881652

Ryland Centre, Bromsgrove

Wheelchair Basketball
University of Worcester
Tel: 01905 855509
Tel: 01905 542001
Boccia Vale of Evesham School
Bromsgrove Junior Boccia
Tel: 01386 443367
Tel: 01527 871511
Wheelchair Dance Group Bromsgrove
Tel: 07528 569008

CHILDREN - SPORT

Evesham Sub Aqua Tel: 01386 552346 or Tel: 01905 454828

Water diving for children with a disability Pershore and Worcester

Brambles Buddies Tel: 01684 833336

Specialist facility for children, young people and adults with learning and physical disabilities in Malvern. Use animal assisted therapy techniques.

www.livingfarm.co.uk

Evesham Adventure Playground Tel: 01386 442154

Adventure Playground for children with disabilities www.eveshamadventureplayground.btck.co.uk

Dizz Kidz Tel: 07974 846961

Multi skills and multi sports club for children with coordination difficulties

Thursday evenings at University of Worcester Sports Hall

Triple A Club Tel: 01527 64676

Disability Sports Club for children and young people. Saturdays at Kingsley Sports Centre, Redditch

See Leisure Activities for Riding For Disabled Football Clubs etc



EDUCATION

Skill (Young Peoples website & helpline)

Information Line Tel: 0800 3285050

Provides information and advice for students

www.skill.org.uk

IASS Network Tel: 01905 768153

Information & support to parents & carers of children and young people with special educational needs.

www.iassnetwork.org.uk

Independent Panel for special Education Advice (IPSEA)

Tel: 0800 018 4016

Offering free and independent legally based advice to parents of children with special educational needs in England and Wales

www.ipsea.org.uk

Worcestershire Lifestyles Tel: 01905 756067

Worcestershire Lifestyles runs a number of educational opportunities for people with disabilities. Lifestyles' Learn for Life Courses provides people with the opportunity to develop skills in a supported environment.

www.worcestershire-lifestyles.org.uk

Full time Life skills programme for people with learning disabilities
Tel: 08448802500

Lifeskills is a programme of study and training for students with learning difficulties . Develop your personal, social and educational wellbeing.

Kidderminster College of Further Education

Student Support Tel: 01562 512000

www.kidderminster.ac.uk

Wild Goose Training Tel: 01905 620840

Land and animal based training on smallholding

www.wildgooseruraltraining.org

National Star Tel: 07896317492

Lift training for young people giving them confidence to travel independently to school and college.

www.nationalstar.org

EDUCATION

Heart of Worcestershire College

Worcester Campus Tel: 01905 743456
Redditch Campus Tel: 01527 572822

www.howcollege.ac.uk

University of Worcester Tel: 01905 855 000

Information on support available for people with disabilities

www.worcester.ac.uk

Open University Tel: 03003035303

The Open University, Walton Hall, Milton Keynes MK7 6AA

www.open.ac.uk

Worcester Community Education Forum, working to provide training opportunities in communities.

www.worcestervolunteercentre.org.uk

Sight Concern Tel: 01905 723245

Hold courses on I.T. Cookery and Braille.

www.sightconcern.co.uk

Nineveh Ridge Care Farm Tel: 01299 832864

Social enterprise offering work based learning. Costs involved.

www.ninevehridge.carefarm.org.uk



ELDERLY / OLDER PEOPLE

Worcestershire Adult Services will provide you with information on services for older people including Home Care and Day Care. For more information contact your local Adult Services Department.

Tel: 0845 607 2000 Tel: 0800 1692081

Age UK

Tel: 080

Offer a range of services for the over 50's and their families.

Helping Hands Team, Handy Person Service, Cleaner Lists, Lunch Clubs, Wellcheck, Footcare, Home from Hospital, Dementia Advice Service, Telephone Befriending, Free Security and Safety Checks, Active Ageing.

www.ageuk.org.uk

Age UK Hereford and Worcester Tel: 0800 0086077

www.achw.org.uk

West Worcester live at home scheme Tel: 01905 420805

Supports elderly people living in their own homes with social clubs, transport, befriending and escorted shopping.

Royal Voluntary Service Tel: 0845 608 0122

They believe in making Britain a great place to grow old. Everyday WRVS helps thousands of older people to live the way they want. Visit their website for local groups.

www.wrvs.org.uk

Onside Lifelinks Tel: 01905 27525

For people over 65. Help to access new services and make new friends.

Worcestershire

www.onside-advocacy..org.uk

ELDERLY / OLDER PEOPLE

Tel: 01527 869148

Lifestyle Matters

Lifestyle Matters aims to support individuals to look at ways of rediscovering independence, gaining confidence and skills. 12 to 14 group sessions.

S.T.A.R.S. (Social Therapy And Rehabilitation Services)

Adult Day Care Centre, Worcester. A new and innovative approach to day care. There are charges. **Tel: 01905 355995**

www.starsdaycare.co.uk

Fortis 55+ Tel: 01684 579579

Support at Home is delivered by a team of support workers to help older people build their confidence and develop skills that will allow them to live independently in their own home. Wide programme of social activities. www.fortisliving.com

Simple Limitless Wellbeing Centre Tel:01562 251144

Quality day opportunities for elderly people and people with a disability www.simply-limitless.org



EMPLOYMENT

For advice about employment, and Access to Work Scheme contact the Disablement Employment Advisor at your local **Job Centre Plus office**.

Job Centres Plus Tel: 08456088665

www.local.dwp.gov.uk/worcester

Shaw Trust Tel: 01225 716300

Shaw Trust is a national charity that provides training and work opportunities for people who are disadvantaged in the workplace due to disability, ill health or other social circumstances.

Work Choice Programme Tel: 08009179071 (Worcester)

www.shaw-trust.org.uk

Worcestershire Lifestyles

Lifestyles offers a voluntary opportunities scheme for disabled people who wish to gain voluntary experience in computing or furniture renovation.

Tel: 01905 756067

Where Next Association Tel: 01527 69955

They provide supported employment and training to adults with learning difficulties and other special needs.

www.wherenextassociation.co.uk

Leonard Cheshire Disability (Head Office) Tel: 020 3242 0200

66 South Lambeth Road, London SW8 1RL

www.leonardcheshire.org

Tripod Tel: 01527 488706 Rainbow Autism Tel: 01684 312760

Activities and pathways to employment, training and education www.rainbowautism.org

EMPLOYMENT

ConnexionsDirect Tel:0808 0013219

Connexions Worcestershire – Young Peoples skills service

Redditch
Bromsgrove
Tel: 01527 66525
Tel: 01527 882960
Worcester
Tel: 01905 738900
Kidderminster
Tel: 01562 820110
Mencap Pathway Employment Services
Tel: 01905 753980

A specialist supported employment service for people with a learning

disability.

www.mencap.org.uk

County Enterprises

County Enterprises provides factory based or supported employment and on the job training for disabled people mainly within Worcestershire limits.

Tel: 01905 23819

Remploy Tel: 0845 1552700

At Remploy they focus on ability, not disability. As a specialist employment services group they provide disabled people, people with a health condition and those who face complex barriers to gaining a job with the support they need to find sustainable employment.

www.remploy.co.uk



"I'm not disabled or differently-abled or specially-abled or exceptionally-abled. I'm an accountant in a wheelchair."

EQUIPMENT

Walking Aids

The Physiotherapist will assist and this can be arranged through your G.P. Hire or purchase of some aids (wheelchairs, walking frames) is possible through:-

British Red Cross / Red Cross Society Tel: 01905 450400

They can loan different types of equipment, walking aids, commodes etc.

Integrated Community Equipment Loan Service, Wychbold

www.hacw.nhs.uk Tel: 01527 869295

The service is based In Droitwich, Worcestershire. All initial request for a wheelchair comes via a health service clinician, a doctor, district nurse, physiotherapist, occupational therapist etc.

Aids to daily living

The Community Occupational Therapist. will make an assessment, after being referred by Social Services or GP.

Regional Disabled Drivers Assessment Centre (Birmingham)

Tel: 0845 337 1540

Tel: 0121 464 4942

For assessment of individual needs and advice on car adaptations.

www.rdac.co.uk

Assist Birmingham Centre

St Marks Street, Springhill, Birmingham B1 2HU

Disabled Living Foundation Helpline: 0300 9990004

Provide information and advice on all types of aids and equipment

For free information

www.dlf.org.uk

Deaf Direct Tel: 01905 746301

Specialist advice on equipment relating to hearing impairment.

www.deafdirect.org.uk

TFH (Special Needs Toys) Tel: 01299 827820

Range of equipment and toys for children and young people with a disability. Catalogue available.

www.specialneedstoys.com

EQUIPMENT

Sight Concern (formerly Worcestershire Association for the Blind)

Tel: 01905 723245

Specialist advice on equipment relating to sight impairment.

www.sightconcern.co.uk

Disabled Equipment Service

Tel: 07845041678

Disabled exchange and mart-second hand equipment

www.disabilityequipmentservice.co.uk

Rica Tel: 020 7427 2460

Publishes reports on the most suitable domestic products, practical information needed by disabled and older consumers.

www.rica.org.uk

Arcos Tel: 01684 576795

(Association for Rehabilitation of Communication and Oral Skills).

A registered national charity providing expert help for children and adults, their families and those working with them. Training courses also available.

www.arcos.org.uk

Remap Tel: 0845 1300 456 Worcestershire 01299 270397

Remap offers custom made aids for people with disabilities. They operates through a network of 1,500 volunteers. Most are professional engineers, technicians, and craftspeople.

www.remap.org.uk

Aidis Trust Tel: 0808 8000009

Charity helping people with disabilities take advantage of computer technology

www.aidis.org

Adapt It Tel: 02087360542

Provide assisted technology and computer aids, consultancy and advice for people with a disability.

www.adapt-it.co.uk

Abilitynet Tel: 0800 269545

Free IT support organisation for disabled people

www.abilitynet.org.uk

FINANCE / BENEFITS

For welfare benefit advice, form filling, casework and appeal representation for disabled people and carers contact:

Dial South Worcestershire Tel: 01905 27790

www.dialsworcs.org.uk

For benefit form filling contact:

North Worcestershire Dial Tel: 0845 2001072

www.nwdial.org.uk

Worcestershire Citizens Advice Line Tel: 0844 4111303

From Mobile Tel: 0300 3300650

Advice on wide range of issues including welfare benefits www.cabwhabac.org.uk www.whchavoncab.org.uk

www.wyreforestcab.org.uk

National Debt Line Tel: 0808 808 4000

Help for anyone in debt or concerned they may fall in to debt or you can contact your local CAB

Two Pennies Money Advice (Worcester CASH)) Tel: 01905 27001

Worcester CASH advises people in the Worcestershire area who are having difficulty with money-related matters.

www.twopennies.org.uk

Civil Legal Advice (CLA)

They offers free, confidential and independent legal advice for residents of England and Wales

www.gov.uk

Department for Works & Pensions (DWP)

www.dwp.gov.uk

The main parts of the DWP are:

Jobcentre Plus: Under 65's. Benefit claim number Tel: 0800 055 6688

www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk

The Pension Service: Over 65's. Claims number Tel: 0845 6060265

www.gov.uk/contact-pension-service

The Disability & Carers Service: disabled people & carers To find your local DWP office contact your local Job Centre Plus office

FINANCE / BENEFITS

Attendance Allowance (AA)

Tax-free benefit for people aged 65 and over who need help with personal care because of illness or disability. Not dependent on NI contributions.

Personal Independence Payment (PIP) Tel: 0800 9172222 to claim

Helpline: 0345 8503322

Tel: 0345 6056055

Replacement for Disability Living Allowance for people 16-65

Not dependent on NI contributions.

Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) Tel: 0800 055 6688

ESA is a benefit for people under state pension age who cannot work because of illness or disability.

Income Support

Tel: 0800 055 6688

Means tested benefit for people aged 16 or over who have an income below a certain level and who are not working 16 hours or more a week.

Carer's Allowance (CA) Tel: 0845 608 4321

Taxable benefit for people who are giving regular and substantial care to a severely disabled person who is in receipt of the qualifying benefits.

Pension Credit Tel: 0800 991234

A means tested benefit for people of pension age.

Tax Credits

Child Tax Credit Tel: 0345 3003900

For people responsible for children (under 19 if in full time nonadvanced education). Can be paid in or out of work.

Income based (no capital limit).

Working Tax Credit

Tel: 0345 300 3900

Is for those in low paid work whether or not they are responsible for children

FINANCE / BENEFITS

Christmas Bonus

Tax-free bonus paid to pensioners. Paid automatically

Cold Weather Payments

You may be eligible for a Cold Weather Payment for each week of very cold weather in your area if you get means tested benefits.

Paid automatically.

Winter Fuel Payments

Paid to a person who has reached pension credit qualifying age

Council Tax Benefit

If you pay a Council Tax contribution, and are on a low income you may be able to claim a rebate. You can get a Council Tax Benefit claim form from your local Council Office.

Tel:0845 915 515

Tel: 03003301343

Tel: 03003301343

Tel: 0345 6060256

Housing Benefit

Housing benefit may be paid by local councils to people who need help to pay their rent because of low income or state benefit.

Contact your local Council Office.

Help with NHS Costs

NHS prescriptions, NHS dental treatment, sight tests, vouchers for glasses and contact lenses, NHS wigs and fabric supports are available for people on a low income, Income Support and certain tax credits.

www.nhs.uk

Help with travel costs to hospital

Means tested benefit for those in receipt of a low income, income Support and certain tax credits.

Funeral Payment

You may be entitled to funeral payment if you or partner accept responsibility for cost of funeral and you are in receipt of certain qualifying benefits.

www.gov.uk

GETTING AROUND / MOBILITY/ACCESS

Motability Tel: 0300 4564566

This is a scheme whereby those in receipt of the higher rate of the mobility component of DLA or enhanced mobility component of PIP can use their allowance to get a vehicle or wheelchair, as long as the award if for one year or longer.

www.motability.co.uk

Exemption from Road Tax

You are entitled to exemption from road tax if you are in receipt of the enhanced rate of the mobility component of PIP and the high rate mobility component of DLA or War Pensioners Mobility Supplement.

You can get a 50% discount if you are on PIP mobility at the lower rate.

Service Personnel and Veterans Agency

Tel: 0800 1692277

British Red Cross / Red Cross Society

Tel: 01905 450400

Can sometimes provide a transport service for a fee.

Disabled Motoring UK

Disabled Motoring is a charity for disabled drivers, passengers and blue badge holders

www.disabledmotoring.org

Travel by Train (Railcard)

National Rail Enquiries Tel: 0845 7484950
Disabled persons Application helpline Tel: 0845 605 0525

British Rail sell a railcard for people with severe and permanent disabilities. They also publish a booklet entitled 'Rail Travel for Disabled Passengers', which contains useful information about planning your journey plus an application form for a disabled persons railcard.

www.disabledpersons-railcard.co.uk

Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee (DPTAC).

The Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee's website provides comprehensive information on its role in advising the Government on the transport needs of disabled people.

www.gov.uk

Tel: 01508 489449

GETTING AROUND / MOBILITY

Blue Badge Scheme

Parking concessions for disabled people who are drivers or passengers and for registered blind people. If you think you may be entitled to a badge you should contact one of the following centres where you live.

Worcestershire County Council encourage online applications. Google:

Blue Badge, Worcestershire or contact:

Bromsgrove Customer Service Centre Tel: 01527 881288 **Droitwich Community Contact Centre** Tel: 01386 565670 **Evesham Community Contact Centre** Tel: 01386 443322 Malvern Hills Customer Service Centre Tel: 01684 862151 Pershore One Stop Shop Tel: 01386 565000 Redditch One Stop Shop Tel: 01527 534123 Worcester Customer Service Centre Tel: 01905 722233 Wyre Forest Customer Service Centre Tel: 01562 732928 (Most of the Councils Services are available from the local Hubs listed

àbove.)

Community Transport Schemes

These are designed for people who cannot use other means of transport for their journeys.

BURT (Bromsgrove Urban & Rural Transport)	Tel: 01527 879290
Community Transport Helpline, Bewdley	Tel: 01299 405820
Droitwich Spa Community Cars	Tel: 01905 779778
Malvern Community Car Scheme	Tel: 01684 892381
Malvern Dial-a-Ride	Tel: 01684 891121
Pershore Community Transport	Tel: 01386 554299
Redditch Community Transport	Tel:01527 64910
Upton on Severn Community Cars	Tel: 01684 593633
Vale of Evesham Community Cars	Tel: 01386 45035
Worcester Wheels	Tel: 01905 724274
Wyre Forest Dial-a-ride	Tel: 01562 755084

GETTING AROUND / MOBILITY

Tel: 0800 559 3636

Driving Mobility

A network of 17 independent organisations covering England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, who offer professional, high quality information, advice and assessment to individuals who have a medical condition or are recovering from an accident or injury which may affect their ability to drive, access or egress a motor vehicle.

www.drivingmobility.org.uk

Adapted Taxis

The District Council's Taxi Licensing Authority can give details about "accessible vehicles" in their area.

Contact your local District Council

Bus Passes

You are eligible for free travel on local bus services between 09.30a.m and 23.00 weekdays and all day on weekends & bank holidays.

You can download a copy of the application form from

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/concessionarytravelpass

Or request an application by ringing Tel: 01905 765765

Contact your local Worcestershire HUB

Community Action Malvern & District Tel: 01684 892381

A local development agency providing resources and information for Voluntary Groups and individuals.

http://www.communityaction.org.uk

National Key Scheme (NKS) Disabled Toilets

Provides toilets which are accessible for wheelchair users, many of these are kept locked to stop vandalism and controlled with a key provided.

Radar National Key Scheme Tel: 020 7250 8191

12 City Forum, 250 City Road, London, EC1V 8AF

https://crm.disabilityrightsuk.org/radar-nks-key

To obtain a Radar Key contact Radar above

Keys are available from your local HUB office

GETTING AROUND / MOBILITY / ACCESS

National Federation of Shopmobility UK Tel: 08456 442 446

To find out about schemes in other areas of the country

www.shopmobilityuk.org

Loan of wheelchairs and scooters for shopping, also Short-term hire available. Please contact the individual schemes to find out about membership.

Local Shopmobility

 Worcester
 Tel: 01905 610523

 Bromsgrove
 Tel: 01527 837736

 Evesham
 Tel: 01386 49230

 Redditch
 Tel: 01527 69922

 Merry Hill
 Tel: 01384 267007

 Birmingham Bull Ring
 Tel: 0121 616 2942

Disability Action Wyre Forest

c/o 35, Hayes Road, Kidderminster, DY11 5UF

www.disabilityactionwf1.co.uk

Disability Action Redditch

Disability Action meets at Redditch Town Hall on the second Monday of every month you can attend the meetings to support or raise any issues, www.disabilityactionredditch.org.uk

Bromsgrove Disabled Access Tel: 0121 445 3542

www.bromsgrove.gov.uk

Worcester Access Group Tel: 01527 861234

Access Countryside

Advice on walks and access to Worcestershire countryside

www.accessiblecountryside.org.uk/central/worcestershire

Euan's Guide

Check accessibility and disabled access in your area. Write a review. www.EuansGuide.com

HOLIDAYS

Liveability Tel: 020 7452 2000

Offer a variety of Christian led holidays for people with disabilities.

www.livability.org.uk

Chalfont Line Escorted Holidays Tel: 01895 459540

Provides escorted holidays for people with disabilities, with 3 levels of care available.

www.chalfont-line.co.uk

Vitalise Tel: 0300 303 0145

(Previously known as The Winged Fellowship Trust) is a national disability charity providing breaks for disabled adults, children and their carers at five accessible UK Centres in Cornwall, Nottingham, Southport, Essex and Southampton.

www.vitalise.org.uk

Open Britain Tel: 0845 124 9971

This is a registered charity which provides free information and advice for people with disabilities. One stop shop for accessible tourism.

www.openbritain.net

Family Fund Trust Tel: 01904 621115

Give grants for holidays for families who are caring for a severely disabled child.

www.familyfund.org.uk

Accessible Travel and Leisure Tel: 01452 729739

Tailor made holiday and travel service for people with disabilities.

www.accessibletravel.co.uk

3H Helping Hands Tel: 01892 860207

Subsidised group holiday programmes

www.disabledholidays.com

Sky Badger

Information on grants for holidays for children and families

www.skybadger.co.uk

Disability Grants

Website giving information on grants for holidays

www.disability-grants.org

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HOLIDAYS

Can Be Done Ltd Tel: 020 8907 2400

Organiser of holidays leisure events for disabled people.

Nationwide and International.

www.canbedone.co.uk

Calvert Trust

 Exmore
 Tel: 01598 763221

 Kielder
 Tel: 01434 250232

 Lake District
 Tel: 01768 772255

Provider of activity holidays and courses for people with disabilities.

www.calvert-trust.org.uk

Holidays for all

Holidays for All offers holiday accommodation throughout the UK and overseas for people with disabilities and sensory impairments, their friends and family.

Tel: 08451 249971

Tel: 0303 1239999

Tel: 01457833444

www.holidaysforall.org.uk

RNIB Holiday Service

RNIB Holiday Service provides an information service, which can advise on many different aspects of travel, finding a sighted guide and getting financial assistance for holidays to finding out about specialist hotels

Disabled Holidays

Internet based search engine for disabled holidays www.disabledholidays.com



INDEPENDENCE AND HEALTH

Deaf Direct Tel: 01905 746301

Work with deaf and hard of hearing people in Worcestershire. They offer a training and communication services, family and volunteer services, information, advice and guidance for the deaf and hard of hearing.

www.deafdirect.org.uk

Sight Concern Tel: 01905 723245

Provides information, equipment, training opportunities and a wide range of recreational and social activities.

www.sightconcern.co.uk

Worcestershire Lifestyles

Support organisation which enables disabled people to exercise freedom of choice and make decisions about lifestyle.

Tel: 01905 756067

Tel: 0845 607 2000

Tel: 0845 607 2000

www.worcestershire-lifestyles.co.uk

Home Care Services

Help can be given with personal care and attention including shopping, budgeting, personal dressing, feeding and toileting. Contact the Access Centre

Bathing Service

Help with bathing can be arranged with a Bath Nurse. Speak to your G.P

Day Care Services

Worcestershire Adult Services Department provide a variety of Day Care Services for: People with a physical, sensory disability, learning disabilities, mental health problems and Older people

Community Meals (meals on wheels)

Contact Access Centre Tel:0845 607 2000
Disabled Living Foundation Tel: 0300 9990004

Helps disabled people find equipment that enable them to live independent lives

www.dlf.org.uk

Kemp HospiceTel: 01562 756000Primrose Hospice and Cancer Care CentreTel: 01527 875444St Richards HospiceTel: 01905 763963Macmillan Cancer SupportTel: 0808 808 0000

INDEPENDENCE AND HEALTH

Tel: 020 7250 3222

Radar National Key Scheme

Keys for use in toilets which are adapted for people with disabilities and fitted with the National Key Scheme Lock. They are £1.50 together with a print out of the toilets in your region.

https://crm.disabilityrightsuk.org/radar-nks-key

Volunteer Bureau

The Volunteer Bureau provide information, transport and support services

 Worcester Tel: 01905 24741
 Pershore
 Tel: 01386 554299

 Evesham Tel: 01386 40165
 Malvern
 Tel: 01684 862151

 Droitwich Tel: 01905 779115
 Wyre Forest
 Tel: 01562 67008

Age UK

Worcestershire Re Enablement Teams Tel: 0845 607 2000

Short term rehabilitation "helping people to stay at home"

Wcil - Worcestershire Coalition for Independent Living

User led organisation run by people who use support services including disabled people, mental health service users, people with a learning disability, older people and carers.

www.wcil.org.uk

Red Cross Pendent Alarm Service Tel: 01905 450400

A service which provides pendent alarms on discharge from hospital

Skin Camouflage Service

Service which teaches users how to conceal disfigurations

www.changingfaces.org.uk online service only

NHS Complaints Advocacy Tel: 0300 3305454

Free independent service that can help you make a complaint about a NHS service

www.nhscomplaintsadvocacy.org

Expert Patient Programmes Tel: 01905 760000

Training courses run by NHS for people with long-term and chronic health problems. Free of charge courses running near you.

www.hacw.nhs.uk/our-services/patient-self-management

INDEPENDENCE AND HEALTH

Advocacy

Advocacy provide independent support and advice. For further details or to make a referral. please contact.

Ourway Advocacy Tel: 01562 820262

www.ourwayselfadvocacy.com

Onside Independent Advocacy Tel: 01905 27525

Offers practical and proactive support to ensure disadvantaged people in Worcestershire are treated fairly and have equal rights

www.onside-advocacy.org.uk

Worcestershire Lifelinks – as above 01905 27525

Promoting community involvement for people with learning disabilities.

Direct Payments

Payments of cash made by local authorities to disabled people, carers, parents of disabled children to buy their own community care services. The cash can be used to employ your own personal assistant. You must be eligible for community care support to qualify. please contact your local Adult Services Office, Worcestershire Carers Unit (in regards to carers) or the Penderels Trust.

Penderels Trust

Provides practical assistant and support for people who wish to recruit their own support workers.

www.penderelstrust.org.uk

Telecare in Worcestershire

To support independent living and promote safety and security through the provision of an emergency alarm system which is accessible to all venerable people who need it.

www.worcstelecare.org

Lifeline Tel:01527 534060

Community alarm service for vulnerable people living in Bromsgrove and Redditch. www.bromsgrove.gov.uk

Health Watch Worcestershire Tel: 01386 550264

HealthWatch is a national programme supported by the Department of Health. Its an independent consumer champion for the local public to promote better outcomes in health and social care.

www.healthwatachworcestershire.co.uk

Tel: 01299 253225

Tel: 0345 1301469

INDEPENDENCE AND HEALTH

Community Occupational Therapy Service Tel: 01905 681637

The Community Occupational Therapy Service offers an assessment and advice service to the disabled person living at home on matters relating to practical difficulties in daily living. www.hacw.nhs.uk

Adult Community Physiotherapy

Physiotherapist provides a programme of exercise and movement to enable people to improve and maintain their mobility at home. Referral is either from G.P. or consultant.

Arcos Tel: 01684 576795

(Association for Rehabilitation of Communication and Oral Skills)

A registered national charity providing help for children and adults, their families and those working with them. Training courses also available.

www.arcos.org.uk

The Care Quality Commission

The CQC are the independent regulator of all health and social care services in England. Their job is to make sure that care provided meets government standards of quality and safety.

www.cqc.org.uk

NHS Choices – A healthcare website

www.nhs.uk

Worcestershire Health & Care NHS Trust Tel: 01905 760000

www.hacw.nhs.uk

Responsible for:

- Community Care
- Children, Young People & Families
- Specialist Primary Care
- Adult Mental Health Services
- Learning Disability Services

NHS South Worcestershire Clinical Commissioning Group

www.southworcsccg.nhs.uk -Tel: 01905 681999

NHS Redditch & Bromsgrove Clinical Commissioning Group

www.redditchandbromsgroveccg.nhs.uk Tel: 01527 482900

NHS Wyre Forest Clinical Commissioning Group

www.wyreforestccg.nhs.uk Tel: 01527 482900

Tel: 03000 616161

LEARNING DISABILITIES

For information about Social Services for people with learning disabilities, including day care.

Contact Worcestershire Social Services

Mencap Tel: 0808 808 1111

Mencap run a learning disabilities helpline which gives information and advice to peoples with learning disabilities, parents, carers and social care professionals.

<u>www.mencap.org.uk</u> The British Institute of Learning Disabilities (BILD)

Tel: 0121 4156960

BILD is the British Institute of Learning Disabilities. They help the development of organizations who provide services.

www.bild.org.uk

Gateway Leisure Clubs Contact Mencap Tel: 0808 8081111

For people with learning disabilities living in the Worcestershire area. Clubs in Evesham and Droitwich.

The Monday Night Club

Social club for people with a learning disability at Barbourne Ex-Servicemens Club, The Moors, in Worcester

Disco, skittles, karaoke, talent show etc

https://mondaynightclub.wordpress.com

Myriad Tel: 01905 729190

Support and activity service for people with profound learning difficulties and their families.

www.myriadcentre.co.uk

Stars in the Sky Tel: 01562 820262

Friendship/dating project for people with a learning disability

www.ourway.org.uk

Amber Support Tel: 01527 873426

Support packages for adults with a learning and physical disabilty, challenging behaviour or autism.

www.ambersupportservices.co.uk

LEARNING DISABILITIES

The Foundation for People with Learning Disabilities

For Advice call Mencap Helpline on Tel:0800 808 1111

They work with people and their families to ensure they can use effective services, play a fuller part in communities and enjoy equal rights.

www.learningdisabilities.org.uk

Osborne Court Tel: 01684 612727

Short break (respite) care for adults with learning disabilities. Accessed by Resource Panel of Learning Disability Integrated Service.

Osborne Court, Osborne Road, Malvern WR14 1JE

Family Fund Trust Tel: 01904 621115

Give grants for holidays for families who are caring for a severely disabled child.

www.familyfund.org.uk

Worcester Snoezelen Tel: 01905 748229

Worcester Snoezelen is a multi-sensory leisure therapy centre for people with special needs of any age. The centre also offers mobile workshops for music, creative arts and 'movement to music' as well as a range of Saturday clubs for young people. Booking essential.

www.worcestersnoezelen.org.uk

Where Next Association Tel: 01527 69955

Where Next provides supported employment, work experience and training to people with learning disabilities and other special needs.

www.where-next.org

SpeakEasy NOW Tel: 01905 774247

Support service for people with learning disabilities in Worcestershire.

Monthly meetings, newsletter and training

www.speakeasynow.org.uk

Lifelinks Tel: 01905 27525

Community peer network run by Onside Advocacy

Aspergers Social Networking also run by Onside

www.onside-advocacy.org.uk

LEGAL SERVICES

Tel: 0345 3454345

Tel: 020 7791 9800

Tel: 0808 8000082

Tel:020 7250 8181

Civil Legal Advice (CLA)

Community Legal Advice (CLA) is a FREE government-funded confidential advice service. The service is for family, debt, benefits, housing, education or employment problems. Only available if eligible for legal aid.

www.gov.uk/civil-legal-advice

Disability Law Service (DLS)

The Disability Law Service is a national registered charity that provides confidential and free legal advice for disabled adults, their families and carers. The DLS also provides disabled people with a

casework service. Their mission is to challenge the inequality and poverty of disabled people by securing for them free and equal access to their legal rights and entitlements.

They specialise and only give advice in the following areas of law:

· Goods and Services Welfare Benefits

· Community Care Employment

· Disability Discrimination

www.dls.org.uk

Equality Advisory Support Service

Provides advice and guidance on rights, responsibilities and good practice based on equality law and human rights.

New service aimed at individuals who need expert advice and support on discrimination.

www.equalityadvisoryservice.com

Disability Rights UK

Produce high quality information, products and services developed by and for disabled people

www.disabilityrightsuk.org

Liberty Tel: 020 74033888

Advice service to assist professionals and members of the public understand Human Rights Act.

www.liberty-human-rights.org.uk

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Tel: 0845 607 2000

Tel: 01905 756067

Adult Services Day Centres

Worcestershire Adult Services Department provide information on Day Care facilities for: Older people, people with a physical/sensory disability, mental health problems and learning disabilities.

www.worcestershire.gov.uk

Your Life/Your Choice

Lists of clubs and societies in Worcestershire

https://ylyc.worcestershire.gov.uk

Worcestershire Lifestyles

Worcestershire Lifestyles recruits part-time Volunteers and Outreach Workers to enable people with physical disabilities to pursue social and leisure activities of their choice.

www.worcestershire-lifestyles.co.uk

Riding for the Disabled Association Tel: 01926492915

Visit website for local riding schools

www.rda.org.uk

Gateway Leisure Clubs

For people with learning disabilities living in the Droitwich & Evesham area, contact your Mencap office. Clubs

Tel: 02074540454

Tel: 020 86679443

Leisure clubs run for disabled and non-disabled participants

Wyre Forest Tel: 01299 266832
Midlands Co-ordinator: Tel: 0121 2490537

www.phab.org.uk

Connect Worcester Tel: 01905 21210

Weekly drop in club for disabled people and carers

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Library Service in Worcestershire Tel: 01905 822722

www.worcestershire.gov.uk/cms/library-services.aspx

Library Service at Home Tel: 01386 554559

Library service for housebound people covering all of Worcestershire

R.N.I.B. Talking book & DAISY service Tel: 0303 123 9999

Listening Books Tel: 020 7407 9417

www.listening-books.org.uk

Calibre Tel: 01296 432339

Audio books for people who cannot read

www.calibre.org.uk

National Talking Newspapers Tel: 01435 866102

www.tnauk.org.uk

Local Talking Newspaper Tel: 0871 226 550
Rainbow Autism Tel: 01905 779549

Weekly social activities

DY10 Night Club Tel:01562 820262

Run by Our Way Self Advocacy. Nightclub for people over 18 with a disability.

They also run Stars in the Sky. A friendship/dating project for people with a learning disability.

www.ourway.org.uk

Lifelinks Tel: 01905 27525

Project provides support to enable people to become actively involved in mainstream leisure, social, educational and volunteering opportunities.

Run by Onside Advocacy

www.onside-advocacy.org.uk

Monday Night Club

Social Club for young people with a learning disability

Barbourne Ex-services Club, Worcester

Mondays 7.00 until 10p.m.

https://mondaynightclub.wordpress.com

LEISURE ACTIVITIES - SPORT

Bromsgrove Dolphin Centre

Tel: 01527 549130

They have a changing bed and a Oxford dipper. Please phone prior to visit.

Droitwich Swimming Pool

Tel: 01905 771212

They have changing rooms, showers, and hoist and emergency cords.

Evesham Swimming Pool Tel: 01386 444212

They have changing rooms, showers, hoist, toilet, ramps and a hearing loop. Available anytime.

Malvern Special Needs Swimming Club Tel: 01684 390259

Malvern Splash Saturdays 5.15pm to 6.15pm

Stourport Sports Centre Tel: 01299 822308

They have ramps, changing rooms, electric doors, hoist and emergency cords. Available anytime.

Worcester Citizens Swimming Pool Tel: 01905 421089

They have level access.

Worcester swimming and fitness centre Tel: 01905 20241

They have disabled changing room, hoist, and ramps, available anytime.

Wyre Forest Glades Leisure Centre Tel: 01562 515151

They have changing rooms, toilet, shower, emergency cords, and wheelchair to side of pool. Available anytime or during the quiet time, morning till 12.30pm.

HydroActive Tel:07919 275008

HydroActive enables individuals with complex neurological physical disabilities to access physiotherapy-led hydrotherapy exercise sessions. Medical referrals and self-referrals.

Worcester Royal Hospital on Thursdays. Sessions must be pre-booked.

Cob House Angling Tel:01886 88517

Open facility for anglers of all abilities. Fully accessible centre with cafe. www.cobhousefisheries.co.uk

LEISURE ACTIVITIES - SPORT

English Federation of Disability Sport Tel: 01509 227750

www.efds.co.uk

Sport England Tel: 08458 508508

www.sportengland.org/our-work/disability

Sports Partnership Herefordshire & Worcestershire

Tel: 01905 855498

The partnership is your one-stop-shop for information about local sports clubs

www.morethansport.com

Disability Sport Worcester Tel: 07796990945

Community Services, Orchard House, Farrier Street, Worcester WR1 3BB DSW works with partners in order to support them in creating high quality accessible sports and recreation.

www.disabilitysportworcester.org.uk

British Wheelchair Sports Foundation

www.wheelpower.org.uk Tel: 01296 395995 Special Olympics Worcestershire Tel: 0121 6806102

www.specialolympicsworcestershire.co.uk

Get Kids Going Tel: 020 7481 8110

www.getkidsgoing.com

CP Sport England & Wales Tel: 0115 925 7027

www.cpsport.org

Worcester Allstars Football Club Tel: 01684 569281
The Disability Football Directory Tel: 01423 867748

www.disabilityfootball.co.uk

Opportunities for everyone in Worcestershire with special needs to play competitive football. Juniors and seniors.

Perdiswell Youth Inclusion Project Tel:01905 451372

For young people with special needs aged 11-19.

Perdiswell Young People's Club, Droitwich Road, Worcester

www.pyplc.co.uk

Boccia Tel: 01386 443367

Vale of Evesham School

LEISURE ACTIVITIES -SPORT

Fusion Tel: 01562 752711

Sport and recreational activities

Evesham Adventure Playground Tel: 01386 442154

Disability youth club - Tuesdays 6.30-8.30

www.eveshamadventureplayground.btck.co.uk

Sportability Disabled Clay Pigeon Shooting

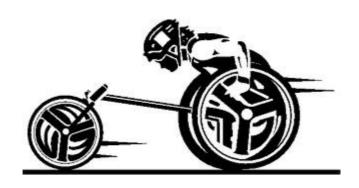
Warwickshire

www.riversideshooting.co.uk

Woodland View Fisheries Tel: 01905 620872

Droitwich

www.woodlandviewfisheries.co.uk



MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Worcestershire Social Services Department and the Worcestershire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust provide a range of services and support for people who have mental health needs and their carers.

Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Care Trust

Adult community Mental Health Service Tel: 01905 760000

www.hacw.nhs.uk/live-well/mental-health

Tripod Redditch Tel: 01527 488706

Provides purposeful training and employment opportunities for people

suffering from long-term mental illness

Shaw Trust Tel: 01225 716300 Local office: Worcester Tel: 08009179071

Shaw Trust in partnership with Worcester Community & Mental Health NHS Trust offers support/training opportunities to find routes to skills development and employment for people who have experienced mental ill health.

www.shaw-trust.org.uk

Mind *info* Line Tel: 0300 1233393

To empower people through social, educational and therapeutic activities and so allow them to achieve greater control over their lives and to participate in their community as valued citizens.

www.mind.org.uk

Saneline Tel: 03003047000

SANEline is a national out-of-hours telephone helpline offering emotional support and information for people affected by mental health problems.

www.sane.org.uk

Worcestershire Mental Health Relatives & Carers Group

Provide information, advice and support Tel:0750 3601737

www.worcestermhs.org.uk

Worcester Bipolar Disorder self-help Group Tel: 03333233880

Support group – monthly meetings at Horizon Community Centre in

Worcester.

www.bipolaruk.org.uk

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Mental Health Foundation

The Mental Health Foundation exists to help people survive, recover from and prevent mental health problems. They do not operate a helpline

www.mentalhealth.org.uk

Rethink (National Schizophrenia Fellowship)

Tel: 0300 5000927

Provides a range of accommodation and support to individuals with long term mental illness.

www.rethink.org

Change Grow Live

Free confidential advice and information for people facing addiction, homelessness and abuse.

www.changegrowlive.org

Turning Point Drug Link Tel: 02074817600

Free, confidential service for drug users and their families and a progress to work project.

www.turning-point.co.uk

Young Minds

Parents Helpline: Tel: 0808 8025544

Young people from Worcestershire formed group offering training and consultancy.

www.youngminds.org.uk

Survivors Club Tel: 07749817873

Friendly, independent, self-referral drop in club for people with mental health problems.

Tue 11.00-3.30, Wed 1.00-4.00, Sat 10.00-3.30

St Swithens Institute, The Trinity, Worcester

www.survivorsworcester.org

Positive Thoughts Tel: 01684 439533 or 01684 569386

Mental health support group in Malvern

www.positivethoughts.org.uk

Onside Advocacy

Mentoring service for people with mental health issues and mental health Advocacy service

www.onside-advocacy.org.uk

Tel: 01905 27525

VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Ability Net Action on Hearing Loss (RNIB) Alcohol Advisory Service Alzheimer's Helpline Alzheimer's Society (Worcester) Alzheimer's Society (Malvern) Alzheimer's Society (Wyre Forrest Branch) Armchair Worcester (free household items) Arthritic Association Arthritis Care Helpline Association of Wheelchair Children Asthma Helpline Autism Helpline Beat (beating eating disorders Helpline Youthline	0800 269545 0808 808 0123 0845 527 2899 300 222 1122 01905 202195 01684 891455 01562 823800 01905 456080 0800 652 3188 0808 8004050 01482 887163 08001216244 0808 800 4104 0845 634 1414
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Deaf Blind UK Advice line	01733 358100
Diabetes UK - Careline	0345 123 2399
Disability West Midlands	0121 4141616
Disabled Parents Network	07817 300103
Dogs for the Disabled	01295 252600
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Multiple Sclerosis Society (MS) Helpline	0808 808000
Muscular Dystrophy Campaign	0800 6526352
National Kidney Helpline	0845 601 0209
National Osteoporosis Society (NOS) Helpline	0845 450 0230
Outsiders (sexual & personal relationship help for d	isabled people)
Sex and Disability Helpline	0707 4993527
Parkinson's Disease Society	0808 8000303
Worcestershire	0844 225 9849
Worcester & District	01684 567244
Radar (now part of Disability Rights	020 72508181
Radar keys	020 7250 8191
Relate (Worcestershire)	01905 28051
RNID	0808 808 0123
Royal National Institute for the Blind	0303 123 9999
Samaritans Helpline	0845 7909090
Sight Concern Worcestershire	01905 723245
Scope England & Wales Helpline	0808 8003333
Sexual Health Information Line	0800 567123
Shine Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus	01733 555988
Stroke Association Advice Line	0303 3033100
Support Dogs	0114 2617800
Victim Support Schemes	08453030900
Hereford & Worcestershire	0300 3031977
Women's Aid	0808 2000 247
Worcestershire Rape & Sexual Abuse Support Cent	tre

01905 724514

WORCESTERSHIRE HUBS

The Worcestershire Hub is a partnership between the six district councils and the County Council to improve access to council services for the people of Worcestershire

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http://hub.whub.org.uk

All the Customer Service Centres give information on:

- · Council Tax Payments
- · Housing Benefits
- · Planning Information
- · Blue Badge Applications
- · Highways Services
- · Environmental Health enquiries
- · Business Rates
- Benefit Enquiries
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