

The HHP (Homeless Health Project) is a health project commissioned by LBHF which aims to improve the access to healthcare and reduce the health inequalities of people experiencing homelessness across Hammersmith and Fulham. This includes rough sleepers, people living in supported accommodation and those who may be at risk of homelessness.

There is a lot of information going around at the moment about COVID-19 (coronavirus) from different sources. This newsletter provides relevant info, updates on changes to services and useful tips for those living or working in Hammersmith and Fulham.

Homeless Experiences during COVID-19

Groundswell are working with NHS England to understand the impact of COVID-19 on people who are homeless. This will help inform how the NHS & other services respond to COVID-19 for people who are homeless.

Anyone who is street homeless, living in a hotel, hostel or sofa surfing, Groundswell want to hear from. Please text **07476 552 438** to confidentially & anonymously share your story. Texts will be charged at usual text rates – when people contact they will be reimbursed phone credit.

Groundswell is a charity working with people who are homeless to create solutions to homelessness. For more info & advice please visit the website: www.groundswell.org.uk

Service Updates

Community of Practice Day Centres

Homeless Link Communities of Practice (CoPs) are designed to bring together people working on the frontline of homelessness & related fields within local areas. The next CoP will discuss:

- How have you adapted both in the provision of your service and personally?
- What has Covid-19 taught you? Has it changed your perspective?
- How do we move forward in the capitals day centre's & what support do you need to make this possible?

The online Zoom session, on **Tues 14 July** at either **10.00-11.30am** or **2.00-3.30pm** is free to join & can be registered here: [morning](#) or [afternoon](#)

Intro to Sexual Health Training

SASH (Support & Advice on Sexual Health) will be delivering a free virtual two-hour staff training session, which will introduce the scope of SASH & cover the foundations to sexual health and wellbeing. Covered will include:

- ❖ Attitudes to sexual health
- ❖ Barriers to accessing services
- ❖ Inclusion of vulnerable groups
- ❖ How to build useful competencies to support service users.
- ❖ Case studies & discussions
- ❖ How to refer service users to SASH & outcomes offered.

The training will take place on **Mon 27 Jul** from **2-4pm**. To book a place on the training please email **Richard** on Richard.Banks@mungos.org

Hammersmith & Fulham Guidance on COVID-19

Workability Short Course

Richmond Fellowship will be facilitating a virtual Employment Support Short Course, **Workability** for service users. The course will run for 4 weeks:

- **Tues 14 Jul** from 11.30am-2.30pm
- **Tues 21 Jul** from 11.30am-2.30pm
- **Tues 28 Jul** from 11.30am-2.30pm
- **Tues 04 Aug** from 11.30am-2.30pm

The Workability programme aims to support those covering from mental health problems to get back into employment. The four session programme will focus on:

- Barriers & Benefits of Work/Identifying & Building Skills
- Writing a Great CV & Cover Letter
- Job Searching/Interviewing
- Building a Personal Plan

Due to Government restrictions, sessions will be running on Zoom. If people are unable to access Zoom, there is a call in option for participants.

For more info please contact link workers **Caira (07584182834)** or **Priscilla (07584183513)**

To access this course participants will need to complete a referral to Richmond Fellowship (referrals available on Richmond Fellowship [website](#)).

If you have any info you would like to see added to the newsletter or if you want to provide an update on a service then please just let me know on:

Tel: 07701 391 069

Email: Richard.Banks@mungos.org

New Local Information

Home(less) Made

Home(less) Made is a social enterprise initiative from **Barons Court Project**. They support guest who are homeless or living with mental health conditions to enable them to live the life they deserve.

They run a weekly art group that encourages people to express their emotions. Some of the artwork is available to buy [here](#) (50% of the profits are shared with artists experiencing homelessness or mental health conditions)



English, Maths & ICT Learning

Although **Clement James Centre** is currently closed due to COVID-19, they are still offering online & over the phone support, including **Adult Learning Services** – any new students who are interested in English, Maths & ICT should contact adultlearning@clementjames.org or **020 7221 8810**

HF Libraries

A new **Select & Collect** is now open for library members. Staff will process requests & let people know when they're items are ready for collection. Requests can be made [here](#)

For those who cannot access libraries due to illness or disability a **Home Library** service is also open where items can be delivered. For more info please email: homelibraryservice@lbhf.gov.uk

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