



It's nearly time for Wimbledon, tennis, strawberries and cream! Did you know that hundreds of Armed Forces personnel volunteer as stewards and other staff at Wimbledon? It's a tradition going back to 1946 following WWII.

Events and volunteers go hand-in-hand, and if you know of someone who is always volunteering or an event which does a lot for charity, why not nominate them in the [CAS Awards 2017](#) (closing date 21 July).

*Thank you to Birketts Solicitors for supporting the CAS Awards 2017.*

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## Community Action Suffolk news

### **Nominate your star volunteers!**

Does your voluntary organisation have an amazing volunteer? Why not appreciate their hard work and put them forward for a CAS Award?

Nominations are now open for the Community Action Suffolk Awards 2017 (supported by Birketts Solicitors), which recognise the volunteers, communities and young people making an impact on the lives of people in Suffolk.

Three awards are specifically for individuals:

- [Outstanding Contribution to Volunteering](#)  
(supported by My CharityGuard)
- [The Ian Campbell MBE award for Individual](#)



### Initiative

- [The Andrew Towers award for Young Person of the Year](#)

Eight awards in total will be presented to individuals and organisations in Suffolk. If you know of someone, or an organisation making a real difference, you have until Friday 21 July 2017 to make your nomination here:

[www.communityactionsuffolk.org.uk/awards](http://www.communityactionsuffolk.org.uk/awards).

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### **CAS Village Halls and Community Buildings survey**

As part of the on-going locality based work carried out by Community Action Suffolk, we are asking those involved with Village Halls and Community Buildings, about how your buildings play an important part in developing and sustaining local communities.



The [online survey](#) closes at 4pm on Saturday 8 July 2017, as the interim results will be shared at the Village Halls and Community Building Conference.

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### **We are recruiting!**

**Community Action Suffolk trustees** We are looking for four energetic and motivated individuals who are able to offer a breadth of business experience at a senior level, and a track record in working with an Executive team to achieve its strategic, operational and financial targets.



**Closing date: 30 June 2017** [Read more and apply...](#)

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### **Community Action Suffolk events**

#### **Just 2 weeks to go! Village Halls and Community Buildings Conference 2017**

There's not long left to [book your place](#) at the popular Suffolk Village Halls and Community Buildings conference (bookings close on 12 July 2017). [See the full agenda here](#).

The event will be on **Saturday 15 July 2017 at Blackbourne Community Centre in Elmswell.**



Booking your place must be completed online, places must be paid for at the time of booking, so please have a credit/debit card to hand or PayPal account details.

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### **Network event in Hadleigh for voluntary organisations**

**Locality network events:** These free events are where voluntary sector connections are made and partnerships are formed, so do join us! There will be lots of opportunities to network with the other attendees, as well as a chance to enjoy presentations from guest speakers.

- 4 Jul 2017, 10am to 12pm, Hadleigh | [Book here](#)



### **New network events for volunteer coordinators**

**Volunteer Development Forums:** The aim of these free events is for you, the managers and coordinators who work with volunteers everyday, to come together and share, learn and offer support to each other. The CAS Volunteering team will bring information and research to get you thinking, with one “hot topic” for each meeting.

- 13 Jul 2017, 10am to 12pm, Stowmarket | [Book here](#)
- 2 Aug 2017, 9:30am to 12pm, Haverhill | [Book here](#)
- 12 Sep 2017, 10am to 12pm, Ipswich | [Book here](#)
- 10 Oct 2017, 10am to 12pm, Sudbury | [Book here](#)



### **From writing funding applications to First Aid...**

We have a number of training courses coming up, have a look at our [online events calendar](#).

- 29 Jun 2017, Haverhill [Introduction to project planning - One Haverhill](#)
- 29 Jun 2017, Lowestoft [Introduction to safeguarding children and young people: \(Group 1-2\)](#)
- 4 Jul 2017, Ipswich [Level 2 Emergency First Aid at work](#)
- 13 Jul 2017, Ipswich [Fire awareness](#)
- 17 Jul 2017, Ipswich [Introduction to the Community Action Suffolk Quality Standard: Understanding the benefits](#)
- 18 Jul 2017, Ipswich [Introduction to business planning](#)
- 12 Sep 2017, TBC [Introduction to writing a successful funding application](#)
- 19 Sep 2017, Lowestoft [Introduction to Involving Volunteers: Planning and Recruitment](#)
- 21 Sep 2017, Ipswich [Safer recruitment and selection](#)
- 22 Sep 2017, Lowestoft [Trustee roles and responsibilities for good governance](#)
- 28 Sep 2017, Ipswich [CAS Quality Standard: support session](#)
- 29 Sep 2017, Haverhill [Introduction to writing a successful funding application - One Haverhill](#)
- 21 Nov 2017, Bury St. Edmunds [Introduction to volunteers and the law](#)

## Suffolk news

### How local voices are helping to make health and social care services better in Suffolk



Healthwatch Suffolk has used thousands of views from Suffolk residents to improve the quality of the county's health and care services. Published on 15 June 2017, their fourth annual report sets out how they are helping to make sure your views are heard in the places that matter. You can download the report in a range of formats [here](#). Throughout the year people have been telling Healthwatch Suffolk what they love about local NHS and care services and what could be better. As well as speaking with people who contact us to share their experiences, Healthwatch Suffolk has visited a number of services to find out if they are meeting people's needs (find out more about these visits [here](#)).

- [Suffolk charities seek votes for Masonic Charitable Foundation Community Awards](#)
- [Suffolk County Council launches 'My Life My Future' consultation](#)
- [Help shape future of west Suffolk](#)
- [Celebrating a new beginning for community centre \(West Suffolk\)](#)
- [Here's what you had to say about Bury St Edmunds town centre](#)
- [Councils agree major step forward for west Suffolk future](#)
- [New social prescribing service launched \(East Suffolk\)](#)
- [Could you be a school governor?](#)
- [New wildlife areas will help town to grow \(East Suffolk\)](#)
- [Museums win £797,000 grant from Arts Council England](#)
- [Community Games Success](#)
- [Specialist service for young people set to expand \(West Suffolk CCG\)](#)

## National news

- [Help shape future for rural services](#)
- [Sally and the Rural Coffee Caravan Information Project make the Independent's Happy List 2017!](#)

## Consultations and surveys

Organisation	Consultation	Closing date
Forest Heath District and St Edmundsbury Borough Councils	<a href="#">Help shape future of west Suffolk</a>	TBC
Community Action Suffolk	<a href="#">Suffolk Village Halls and Community Buildings Survey 2017</a>	8 July 2017
Suffolk County Council	<a href="#">My Life My Future consultation</a>	10 July 2017
Babergh District Council	<a href="#">Great Waldingfield Neighbourhood Plan</a>	21 July 2017
Rural Services Network	<a href="#">Rural Survey</a>	23 July 2017
Local Government Boundary Commission	<a href="#">Mid Suffolk District Council and Babergh District Council boundaries</a>	14 August 2017

## Funding

### Activity providers urged to apply for funding

If you're an activity provider in east Suffolk, you may be able to benefit from funding for providing holiday activities for children this year.



The funding is being provided by the East Suffolk Youth Priority Action Group (ESYPAG) through the youth holiday activities programme which aims to improve the variety of opportunities available to young people aged between school years 7 – 13 (ages 11-18 years) in East Suffolk.

**Closing date: 18 August 2017**

[Read more and apply](#)

### Mid Suffolk Locality Funding now available

Mid Suffolk District Council's Locality Award programme is now open and is welcoming applications until Saturday 30 September 2017.



The programme means that each Mid Suffolk councillor has a £6,250 pot that he or she can use to award to projects or organisations that have a direct impact on Mid Suffolk communities. Funding awards can range from £250 upwards and each councillor can support up to 15 projects.

**Closing date: 30 September 2017**

[Read more and apply](#)

For the latest funding news and to search for your own funds, register with the [Funding 4 Suffolk](#) website.

## Local community events and training

### Free Suffolk CPD online courses

Below are a couple of free courses you might be interested in, offered by Suffolk CPD Online. Schools' Choice CPD is a website to book training and record professional development. It is an online searchable directory and booking system for learning opportunities. It has been developed to ensure that highly skilled and professional children and young people's workforce is able to support the achievement and well-being of all children and young people.

- 5 Jul 2017, Lowestoft [Adult Safeguarding - new starters and three year refresher](#)
- 5 Jul 2017, Lowestoft [Empowering Choice - Mental Capacity Act in practice](#)

### Calendar of events

Date	Event (click link)	Organisation	Location
5 Jul	<a href="#">Adult Safeguarding - new starters and three year refresher</a>	Suffolk CPD Online	Lowestoft
5 Jul	<a href="#">Empowering Choice - Mental Capacity Act in practice</a>	Suffolk CPD Online	Lowestoft
12 Jul	<a href="#">Patient Revolution 2017</a>	NHS West Suffolk CCG	Bury St Edmunds
18 Jul	<a href="#">Film and Supper / Afternoon Tea Club</a>	The Bridge Project	Sudbury
21/28 Jul	<a href="#">Mental Health First Aid for Children and Young People's Services</a>	SCC/Mind	Lowestoft
22 Jul	<a href="#">Understanding of Mental Health</a>	Ipswich Hindu Samaj, NSFT, Open Mind	Ipswich
24 Jul	<a href="#">Free Give and Take Day</a>	Multi-agency	Lowestoft
25 Jul	<a href="#">Suffolk's Needs Met - Mental Health and Wellbeing training</a>	SCC/Mind	Bury St Edmunds
12 Aug	<a href="#">Felixstowe Multi-Cultural Festival</a>	Felixstowe Forward	Felixstowe

If you are CAS member and would like your event listed here, just [email us!](#)

*Community Action Suffolk promotes our members' events and training in good faith and is not accountable for their content or organisation.*

## Vacancies

Organisation	Job title	Closing date	Application
Community Action Suffolk	<b>Trustees</b>	30 June 2017	<a href="#">more details</a>
Suffolk Family Carers	<b>Deprivation of Liberties Safeguard (DOLS) – Relevant Person Representative</b>	3 July 2017	<a href="#">more details</a>
Volunteering Matters	<b>Learning Manager</b>	6 July 2017	<a href="#">more details</a>
Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich	<b>Communications Manager</b>	10 July 2017	<a href="#">more details</a>

If you are CAS member and would like your vacancy listed here, just [email us!](#)

Vacancies are also listed on the [CAS website](#).

## Contact us

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