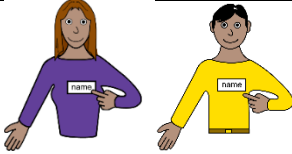
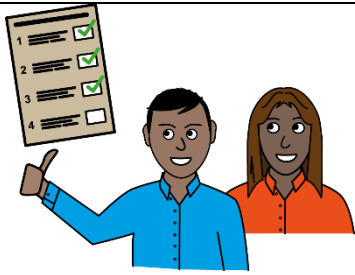


	Being Social Leeds Task Group 11th May 2026
	The people who came • Sarah Wheatley – Connect in the North • Kenny Hendy – Co Chair • Madeleine Fahy – Connect in the North • Tania Woodhouse – Connect in the North • Jodie Lee Lindley – Aspire CBS • Ian Graham – Aspire • Imogen Day – Advonet • James Greenbank – Leeds City Council • Dominique Burley – Forum Central • Sarah Emmerson – Money Buddies
	Apologies • Paula Tordoff – St. Annes Leeds Services • Yvonne Ugarte – Baff Volunteer & Family Carer • Jane Tordoff – People Matters • Ciaran Wyer – Ididit Care • Jane Walton – People Matters • Alice Claydon – Pyramid
	Introductions Kenny opened the meeting. Everyone introduced themselves.



Minutes from last meeting

Everyone agreed that the minutes from the last meeting were correct.

Actions from the last meeting

Action Next steps in setting up self-reliant groups which are supported by Trust Leeds.



Sarah is going to advertise some support sessions to be held at The Sugarmill in the late summer. Sarah is still waiting for a reply to confirm some dates.



Money Buddies

Sarah Emmerson showed a presentation about Money buddies. The presentation will be shared with these minutes.

The hubs are open 9am – 4pm. You can find a list of the Citywide hubs by following the link below.

<https://moneybuddies.org.uk/outreach-timetable/>

Sarah recommended to get to the session as early as possible as it's a first come served basis.

Action – Imogen and Sarah to be in contact to discuss Money Buddies attending future Peoples Parliament meetings.



Leeds Partnership Board

Paula has confirmed that St Annes will be talking at the Partnership board on the 12th May 2026 to talk about the Oliver McGowan training.



Leeds Learning Disability Week 15th – 19th June 2026

<https://www.through-the-maze.org.uk/learning-disability-week/>

You can find out about everything on Through the Maze by using the link above.

Monday 15th June

Aspires 5aside football tournament at Weetwood Sports Park.

10.30am – kick off. Trophy presentation – 2.30pm.

Deadline for team entries 8th June. £10 entry per team.

Spectators very welcome.

1pm – 3pm. The Summer Chat held at the Sugarmill. Places are limited to 20 but hopefully people will attend on line.

Tuesday 16th June

Council Chamber Takeover followed by Pride March. The march is going to finish at the Corn Exchange.

Imogen confirmed that there will be 100 food vouchers available for people with learning disabilities who are attending the Council Chamber Takeover.

Advonets Pub Night at the Griffin 6.30pm – 9.30pm
£10 per entry. Carers go free.

Wednesday 17th June

Middleton Park Sunflower Walk

11am – 2pm Bring a packed lunch.

Contact Jodie at Aspire CBS.

Aspire's Shine awards the final is by invitation only.

You can nominate anyone you know. Nominations

close on Wednesday 18th May. For more details

contact Jodie Leigh at Aspire CBS

Thursday 18th June

11am – 2pm

Being Social Event – Leeds Kirkgate Market

Friday 19th June

Picnic in the Park – Temple Newsam

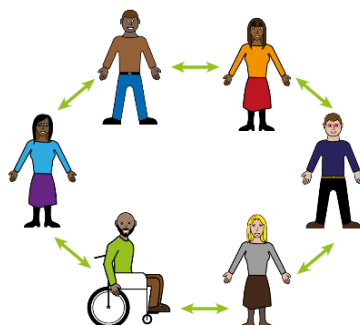
Aspire's Got Talent Final

Sarah confirmed and read out the list of providers that are attending the Being Social Event in the market. 30 stalls in total. Maximum capacity.



Share what your organisation is doing. Things that are happening in Leeds.

Sarah shared the posters below to talk about other social groups and things to do that other organisations are offering.



The Advonet Group

Leeds Community Foundation

Volunteer Digital Champions

Support a person with learning disabilities to learn new digital skills

Digital skills can

- Promote social inclusion
- Improve health and wellbeing
- Gain better access to services and information

If you feel that you can support a person with a learning disability to

- Access the digital world
- Work with them in a person-centred way

Volunteers With and Without Learning Disabilities Needed

- No experience needed
- Full training and ongoing support provided
- Just a few hours a month can make a real difference

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WALKING GROUP
Come and Join Us!

Would you be interested in joining a friendly walking group?

IN COLLETON PARK CAFE

DATES:
• 24th May
• 7th June
• 19th July
• 9th August

TIME:
2:00pm – 4:00pm

MEETING POINT:
Middletown Park Cafe

Join us for a cuppa, help plan future walks, and enjoy a gentle stroll together.

everyone welcome

If you're interested, please contact:
Margaret – 07906 116453

Women's Weekly Walk

Join your local community for a friendly walk and talk session!

Every Thursday 12-1pm
At Hamara, Tempest Road, LS11 6RD

Come and join us for a weekly short walk through the local park.
Starting 7th May
Contact: katie.joenn@hamara.co.uk

Ladies of Armley & Wortley.
This is for You!

Ready to feel refreshed, inspired, and connected?
Join our **FREE 12-Week Health & Wellbeing Journey!**

What's waiting for you:

- Find your flow: Yoga, Tai Chi, & Gentle Exercise
- Get inspired: Fun Crafts & Guest Speakers
- Healthy living: Cooking Sessions & Breast Care Awareness
- Time for you: Free Refreshments & Great Conversation

Take a little time for self-care and become part of a brilliant local community!

Where: Sri Guru Nanak Sikh Temple, Tong Road, Leeds
When: Every Tuesday, starting 12th May 2026
Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Limited spaces available!
To book your spot, call Karen at 0113 2799292

The session will be delivered by **Armley Helping Hands** and **Armley Chai and Chat Group**, in proud partnership with **Barca Leeds**, **Forum Central**, **Leeds City Council** and **Leeds Public Health**.

THE BIG LUNCH **SAT 6TH JUNE** **FREE**

12-2pm

1. Bring a dish
2. Share a lunch

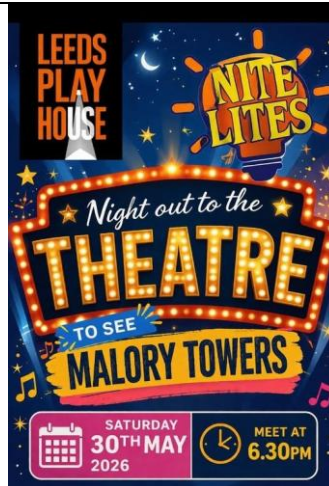
Join us to share one **MASSIVE** lunch for the people of Chapeltown on Saturday 6th June 2026 at the Leeds Media Centre Car Park, Husler Place, LS7 3DR.

Find out what local organisations and businesses are up to and meet other people from the area to celebrate a shared love of food and community.

If you can, please bring a some food to share. This can be home cooked or shop bought! Just come along on the day.

For more info contact Rhiannon on 07712320759

Connect housing, SHARMA SOCIETY LEEDS, LBEA, The Advonet Group, involving people, LDM, FEEL GOOD FACTORY, Leeds, Leeds City Council, Leeds Public Health



Madeleine spoke briefly about Perfect Show for Rachel at Leeds Playhouse.
Below is taken from Leeds Playhouse website.
<https://www.leedsplayhouse.org.uk/event/perfect-show-for-rachel/>

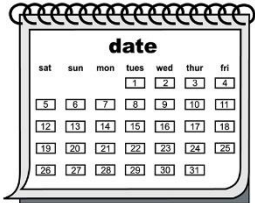
Open, relaxed, fun and full of love'

★★★★★ – **The Guardian**

Meet the O'Mahony sisters. Flo is an award-winning theatre director. Rachel is an enigmatic, learning-disabled 35-year-old who loves Kylie and seeing people fall over.

Together, they're making Rachel's perfect show — fast, funny, and different every night.

Expect physical comedy, live music, home videos and dancing, with Rachel firmly in charge. That means

	<i>anything can happen, from water fights and fart jokes to sudden sackings and surreal twists mid-show.</i> <i>Created with Rachel, on her own terms, this is theatre without the usual rules. It is joyful, unpredictable, and led by what she finds funny.</i> Ian spoke about the Aspire Athletics in August, no date confirmed yet to be held at John Charles. Also about the Annual Rugby Tournament held at Leeds Rhinos training pitch. Date also to be confirmed. We will circulate the posters as soon as possible.
	Anything else to talk about. Dominique spoke about Hate Crime Centres in Leeds and it has been confirmed that Unite Response are no longer registered as a Hate Crime Centre. If any organisation is wanting to become a Hate Crime Centre or a signposting Centre for Hate Crime then please get in touch. https://www.leeds.gov.uk/antisocial-behaviour-and-crime/report-a-hate-crime-or-incident
	Date and time of next meeting – No date was set. Sarah is going to send out a poll to ask everyone to choose a date.