




DISABILITY AWARENESS DAY

35th Annual Event



Sunday 12th July 2026

Walton Hall and Gardens 10am - 4.30pm

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Hello and welcome to DAD 2026, our 35th annual show.

We must start with thanking our principal sponsor United Utilities for their continued support which goes deeper than their financial contribution.

Each year we are amazed to see that the need for Disability Awareness Day, is as great today as it was back in 1992, with interest growing around the world. DAD continues to provide a platform for organisations to collaborate in promoting information, advice and guidance on mobility, wellbeing and independent living services, alongside providing a showcase for inclusive arts and sports.

With over 160 organisations from statutory services, businesses, social enterprises, voluntary and community sector involved, together they create an event that is recognised as a disability expo and a family fun day, with something for everyone.

The big day comes at the end of a busy week with seven events, none of which would have been possible without the support of our partners and our sponsors. Not to mention the hard work and dedication given by our amazing team at the Disability Partnership, both on-site at Walton Hall and Gardens and back in the office at the Centre for Independent Living and not forgetting DAD's Army of volunteers.

Visitors to this year's show will see a larger Sports and Activities Zone packed with have-a-go events. This year the extended Arts Zone has on stage entertainers in the hugely popular Performing Arts Marquee, plus three new marquees with lots of new features, activities and experiences for everyone to enjoy.

Other entertainment includes a Silent Disco, the very popular Main Arena, Children's Entertainments, a Classic Car Show and new for DAD 2026 the Viking Village, plus the onsite activities in the splendid Walton Hall and Gardens.

DAD continues to promote a 'Can Do' culture focussing on 'what disabled people can do', which helps to dispel the myths and misconceptions about what disabled people can't do.

We would like to thank everyone who shares and supports the DAD vision, and special thanks to all of our sponsors and supporters, our volunteers, our exhibitors and of course you, our visitors.

Finally, we hope you have an enjoyable, informative and inspiring day at DAD 2026 and we hope you will agree, that during the past thirty-four years, we have created what has become, not only one of Warrington's largest community events but the world's largest voluntary-led, pan-disability event. Long may it continue...

Thank You

Dave
Dave Thompson MBE DL MBA
Event Co-ordinator and WDP Chief Executive

John
John Gartside OBE DL JP
WDP Chair of Trustees



We would like to dedicate DAD 2026 to our colleagues Pat McLaren, Terry Wadsworth, Steve Dumbabin, Clare Sreeton, Lorraine Scott and Patsy Kelly who sadly passed away during the past year. May they all rest in peace.

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Here to help with your water bill



Help when you need it most



We understand that life can sometimes feel overwhelming, especially if you're managing health conditions, have caring responsibilities, or living on a lower income.

At United Utilities, we want to make things a little easier. If you're worried about paying your water bill, please don't struggle alone — we're here to listen and help you find a solution that works for you.

Affordability manager Jane Haymes said: "We know many of our customers are dealing with extra challenges, whether that's ill health, disability or financial worries. We're here to support you. We've increased the amount of help we can offer, so more customers can benefit. So please get in touch if you're concerned about your water bill payments — we'll take the time to understand your needs and find the right support for you."

United Utilities offers a wide range of support options, as well as flexible payment plans that can be adapted to suit your individual circumstances — making bills more manageable and less stressful.

Cheaper with a meter

If your home has more bedrooms than people, switching to a water meter could reduce your bill. We fit meters free of charge, and most customers who switch save at least £100 a year. You have two years to trial the meter and during that time we guarantee that you won't pay more than your rateable value charges. Visit unitedutilities.com/meters for details.

Support schemes designed with you in mind

• WaterSure and WaterSure Plus

If you receive benefits, have a water meter and need to use more water because of a health condition, disability, or having a large family, this scheme can help protect you from high bills. Your bill will be capped at a set amount for the year — so you won't pay more, no matter how much water you need to use. This can be especially helpful if water is essential for your care or daily living.

• Help to Pay

If you receive Pension Credit, you may be able to have your bill capped at a lower amount. This provides reassurance and stability, making it easier to budget — particularly if you're living on a fixed income.

• Back on Track

If you're on a low income or receiving benefits and have fallen behind on your payments or are finding it difficult to pay your bill due to a recent change in circumstances, this scheme can help reduce your bill to a level that's easier to manage. We take the time to understand your situation and adjust your charges so they feel more affordable — helping you keep on top of payments and avoid worry about falling behind.

• Payment Break

If something unexpected has affected your finances — such as illness, a hospital stay, or an emergency expense — you may be able to take a break from your water bill payments for an agreed period. This gives you time to focus on your wellbeing and get back on track without added pressure.

• Low Income Discount Scheme

If you're on a low income and receive qualifying benefits and rent your home, you could receive a yearly discount on your water bill. This saving can help reduce financial stress and make your household bills easier to manage over time.

• Flexible payment options

We know everyone's situation is different, so we offer flexible ways to pay that work around you. You may be able to:

- Spread payments weekly or monthly
- Match your payment dates to when you receive income or benefits
- Adjust your plan if your circumstances change

Our aim is to make paying your bill as straightforward and stress-free as possible.

We're here when you're ready

If you'd like to talk things through, we're here to help.

Call 0800 072 6765 or visit unitedutilities.com/difficulty-paying-bill
You can also ask a family member, carer or support worker to contact us on your behalf if that's easier.

United Utilities is calling on its customers to take advantage of FREE support with their water services.

More than 590,000 customers living with additional needs are now registered for Priority Services and benefiting from extra help when they need it most.

Steph Smith, from the Priority Services team said: "Here at United Utilities we are passionate about helping others. Delivering great customer service is about really understanding what people need and that's where our Priority Services scheme plays a big part.

"As we go through our lives we all have to deal with some really big things and that's why we believe everyone can benefit from a bit of extra help.

"Our Priority Services scheme is completely free to any of our customers living in the North West who may need a bit of extra help and support with their water services. This could be due to age, ill health, disability, mental health problems, financial worries, language barriers or an event in our lives such as the birth of a child or divorce.

"For us on the Priority Services team it's about making a difference. It's about identifying and helping our customers who need our support, reaching out to those who might find it hard to ask for help themselves and building relationships.

"If we know those customers who need extra support then we can help them when they need it most so please register today."

Services include:

- Dedicated team on hand to help.
- Nominee scheme, which allows you to choose a carer, family member or friend to speak to us on your behalf.
- Bills in Braille or large print, or on coloured paper. We can also talk you through your bill.
- Password scheme to protect you from bogus callers.
- Recite Me accessibility service on our website.
- We will deliver bottled water within six hours of your water being turned off if you are one of our most vulnerable customers.
- We can help with reading your water meter or move it to make it easier to read.
- Our 'knock and wait' service means we give you extra time to answer the door when we visit.
- Translation services.
- We will give you notice if we need to turn your water supply off.
- Alternative water supply if your water will be off for a long time.

Supporting DAD!

United Utilities is proud to be one of the main sponsors of this year's Disability Awareness Day which promises to be bigger and better than ever before!

United Utilities will have an information stand at the event and is encouraging its customers to pop along to meet the team and register for its FREE Priority Services scheme.

Steph Smith, Priority Services Engagement Lead at United Utilities said:

"Disability Awareness Day is an incredible event that we're honoured to support year after year. As proud principal sponsors, we're excited to once again be part of this celebration of inclusivity, accessibility and community. We look forward to meeting more customers at our stand and having meaningful conversations about the services and support available to them."



Scan the QR code to visit our Priority Services webpage, where you can click on 'Accessibility Help' to turn on text-to-speech or change the language.

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....and finally a thank you to:

All of Team WDP and everyone else who helped organise events during DAD Week, The DAD 2026 Event Site Team including Dave T, Gavin T, John M, Dave W, Mark, Lee, John E, Karl, Chris S, Ed and Chloe. The DAD 2026 Admin Office Team including Caroline, Kate, Sue Mc, John B, Ellie T, Rebecca, Libby, Ed, Jenny, Khadija, Hayley, Mark, Pam R and Pat Ffrench. Janice W. Dave W.



The Disability Partnership - Who we are and what we do



The Disability Partnership is an internationally acclaimed user-led charity. With over 30 years of experience in developing and delivering mobility and independent living services, we aim to support disabled people and those living with long-term health conditions. We are proud of our wide-ranging services, which include:

Promoting Independent Living

Our **Centre for Independent Living (CIL)** - located on Beaufort Street, Warrington; the **Disabled Living Centre** at the Lifehouse on Brunswick Dock, Liverpool; **Mobility and Independent Living Stores (MILS)** in Golden Square, Warrington and Birchwood Shopping Centre. We offer showrooms full of the latest equipment from baths, showers and kitchens to beds, wheelchairs and stair lifts. Advice is available from our team of trained staff and volunteers, and we have a short-term hires service for various equipment.



The **Energy Support Service** provides help and support to

households falling into fuel poverty. The fully qualified advisors will give 1-2-1 advice along with home visits and referrals to wider services.

We also have a fully accessible **"Energy Efficient Smart Flat"** based at the CIL which demonstrates the latest assistive technology solutions.

Our popular **Disability Helpline** (01925 240064) offers advice about local support groups and services, accessibility, transport, and more.

Our two **Shopmobility Schemes** in Legh Street Car Park and Birchwood Shopping Centre offer scooters and wheelchairs for use while shopping. They are available for hire to both members and day visitors, Monday to Saturday (9 am to 5 pm). A six-month membership costs just £10.

The **Scoota Safe** campaign helps promote the safe use of personal equipment, advice on maintenance and raises awareness of road safety.

The **OWCH Pain Management and Beyond the Scars support group** helps and supports local disabled people with the self-management of Chronic Pain.

Our **Long Covid Support Group** meets every other Friday or online. The Service is available specifically for Warrington residents and those registered with Warrington practices.

Our **Independent Living Team** provides a support service for Warrington residents who use the Direct Payments scheme from Warrington Borough Council, assisting with all aspects of employing a Personal Assistant including assistance and advice regarding recruitment, DBS checks, pension schemes and contracts, with support from our in-house payroll team.

The Disability Trading Company Limited

Our trading arm - Disability Trading Company (DTC), offers high-quality, independent living products at competitive prices, as well as our 'Loved Before' range. Our Mobility Workshop and Service Centre ensures that servicing and repairs are efficient and cost-effective. Running as a Social Enterprise, all profits are donated to WDP to support many of our unfunded services.

Employment & Training

Our **Employment Team** specialises in supporting local disabled people, people living with long-term health conditions (including mental health), ESA claimants and those in receipt of incapacity-related benefits. The team supports individuals through all stages of the employment process, job searching, CVs, application forms, preparing for interviews and when gaining employment. We also support people who are in work, as well as employers, by giving information about reasonable adjustments in the workplace including the Access to Work Fund, the Disability Confident Scheme and the Mindful Employer.

Learning and Development

Our **Marjorie Griffiths Learning Centre** on Beaufort Street provides a whole host of courses designed to educate and inspire including vocational and recreational subjects such as IT, flower arranging and creative writing.

Working closely with numerous local charities and voluntary organisations, we provide somewhere for groups to meet and offer support to their members as well as offering well-equipped meeting and training rooms to hire at a reasonable cost.

Training delivered includes **Equality & Diversity, Disability Confident, Neurodiversity and Sex Matters** and is available

to service providers, voluntary organisations and individuals.

Accessible Holidays & Days Out

Our fully accessible holiday home in North Wales and our adapted, accessible narrowboat The brand new **Wizard II - John B** is available for hire for day trips along the Bridgewater canal at competitive rates. With a range of options, they allow a bargain break or a day out on the water!

Opportunities to Socialise

We run two **Luncheon Clubs** for individuals looking for friendship, activities, fun and lunch! Our **Over 55's club** meets every Wednesday from 10 am to 2 pm. As well as enjoying a two-course lunch and drinks, attendees also enjoy playing bingo, games, quizzes, chair-based exercises, and guest speakers. Our **Monday Club** caters to under 55's with a variety of social

New for 2026 - Wheelie Healthy

There are an estimated 1.5 million wheelchair users in the UK, of which around 4,500 live in Warrington area.

For wheelchair users and many disabled people who lead a more sedentary lifestyle, weight management and regular weight monitoring can be a real challenge.

As an electric wheelchair user for the past 42 years, this has been a constant battle for me. I know I am not alone. Many of us have to wait until a hospital or medical appointment before we have access to suitable weighing equipment, making it difficult to keep track of our weight and manage our health proactively.

Standard bathroom scales simply aren't an option for many wheelchair users. Even seated scales can be inaccessible when transferring is difficult or impossible. In my own experience, by the time I've had the opportunity to get weighed, the pounds have already piled on, and it can feel like mission impossible.

Friends and family have often suggested joining a local slimming club, but without the ability to be weighed like everyone else, it can feel isolating and demotivating.

That's why, here at the Disability Partnership, we've hatched a plan to launch the Wheelie Healthy Inclusive Slimming Club.

This will be the first group of its kind in our area, giving disabled people the same opportunities as everyone else to take control of their health and wellbeing in an inclusive, friendly, non-judgemental and non-clinical environment.

Our club will feature accessible wheel-on, wheel-off wheelchair scales, allowing members to monitor their weight whenever they choose. Alongside this, we'll share practical tips, healthy eating ideas, accessible exercise and support one another on our journey towards better health.

Most importantly, this will be a social group where people can come together, share experiences, encourage each other, and talk openly about the things that matter. Improving our health is easier when we do it together.

Come and join us on this unique journey towards better health, greater confidence and improved wellbeing - because everyone deserves the opportunity to be Wheelie Healthy.

Lorraine Woolley - Contact: 01925 240064 or Lwoolley@disabilitypartnership.org.uk

activities, including crafts, bingo and films. There is a £10 charge for the sessions and individuals are required to attend using their own transport.

Our **Galleries Community Café** offers a wide range of hot and cold meals, snacks and drinks in a warm and friendly atmosphere. The Café is open to members of the public and visitors to the Centre and Support Groups.

Listening and Advocacy

Get your voice heard locally by attending our monthly **'Staying Connected'** meetings via Zoom, which provide a forum to exchange ideas and information about local services. Sessions are open to all who have been affected by long-term health conditions or disabilities, carers and representatives of support groups/organisations and statutory services.

We organise the **Warrington's Appreciation of Efforts Awards**, which provide an opportunity for disabled people and carers to nominate local employers, businesses, service providers or individuals who deserve recognition for promoting independence, delivering accessible or inclusive services or maintaining exemplary employment practices for disabled people and carers.

For further information on any of these services, including how you can be involved as a WDP Volunteer, please contact the team on 01925 240064.

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WHY RUN FOR US?

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Every mile you run helps us to continue providing vital services, advice, and support to disabled people and their families across Warrington.
- ✓ **Join Our Community of Supporters**
By running for WDP, you'll become part of our amazing community of supporters and volunteers who help make our work possible.
- ✓ **Make a Real Difference**
Your fundraising helps support essential services including mobility support, independent living advice, and inclusive activities for our community.

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For further information, contact Rebecca Heath on Rheath@disabilitypartnership.org.uk

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But sometimes, as we get older, we might need a little extra help.

Torus provides services to help people live independently in their own homes for as long as possible through our Sheltered, Extra Care and Staying Home Services.

Some of the ways our team can help you stay safe and happy at home:

- Claiming housing costs and welfare benefits
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Entertainment at DAD 2026

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Warrington Wolves Foundation

Practise your rugby skills and find out about Wheelchair Rugby, Learning Disability Rugby League (LDRL) and Physical Disability Rugby League (PDRL) plus have a go at seated volleyball and boccia. Lookout for their demonstration games in the Main Arena.

Cheshire Scuba Academy

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Cheshire County Lawn Tennis Association

Playing tennis is for everyone. Visit the Sports Zone to experience wheelchair tennis, sensory tennis and adaptive tennis – for all abilities.

Disability Snooker

Find out more about World Disability Billiards and Snooker (WDBS) and meet Leroy Williams, who has won numerous national and international titles, including the Champion of Champions in 2019. There are coaches to help you try out your skills on the half size snooker table.

Total Tai Chi

Heather from Total Tai Chi will be in the Sports Zone all day to talk with people about trying Tai Chi.

Basketball

Slam dunk! Sink a few baskets and experience inclusive wheelchair basketball with Disability Partnership.

Blind Baseball

Come and have a go at this adapted version of baseball. See them in action at the Sports Zone and Main Arena.

Circustry: Circus Skills All day activity

Juggling, plate spinning, stilt walking and lots more fun, learning circus skills with Circustry throughout the day

Power Sports

Fast and Physical, powerchair adapted sports

British Shooting

Come try shooting with British Shooting. Can you hit the target?

Cricket

Howzat! Inclusive cricket, come and have a go!

Wheelchair Training

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The Cycle Project

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Glen Children's Entertainer

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Blissful Balance Yoga

Morning and Afternoon sessions. Come and try peaceful and relaxing yoga with Andrea!



Entertainment at DAD 2026

Arts Zone

Bridge Venue

10am Opening	Town Crier
10am Opening	Creating Adventures Brass Band
11.00 - 11.30	Neve Boswell – Singer
Lunchtime Music	North West Charity Singers – Ukulele and Singing (2 x 30 mins)
14.00 - 14.30	Neve Boswell – Singer

Performing Arts Marquee (Compere Vanessa Ramsden, BSL Interpreters Cheryl, Kitty and Kelly)

10.00 - 10.10	The Groovy Movers from Catalyst Choices
10.15 - 10.35	Warrington BSL Signing Choir
10.40 - 10.50	Stepping Stones Creative
10.50 - 11.10	Creating Adventures Beautiful Noise
11.15 - 11.40	Wargrave Community Choir Singers
11.45 - 12.10	Wired for Sound Community Choir
12.15 - 12.35	Creative Remedies Choir
12.40 - 13.05	Ella Performance Group
13.10 - 13.25	We Are Stars Drama
13.30 - 14.10	Appleton and Macclesfield Magic Voices
14.15 - 14.45	Mat Raidon
15.00 - 16.15	Arts Finale with Timepiece dance band and Wolfprint dancers. Come and join in the dancing to celebrate another successful DAD! Exhibited artwork from Walton Lea, Creating Adventures and Keate House
All Day	

Arts Zone Marquee 6

All Day	Warrington Youth Zone including Arts and Crafts and Facepainting
All Day	Monday Club – Arts and Crafts (including items for sale)

Arts Zone Marquee 7

Set up 11am with display	Artist Laura Aquilina with facilitators from the Blue Room making your own "Wish you Were Here" postcards inspired by imagined landscapes
Workshop 1-3pm	

All Day	Ebru Art with Lattice – demonstration and opportunity to make your own artwork using this traditional technique.
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Main Arena

10.00 - 10.20	Reach Sled Dogs
10.20 - 10.30	RhythMaTive
10.30 - 10.40	Royal Marines Association Corps of Drums
10.45 - 11.15	Warrington Wolves Community Foundation
11.15 - 11.25	RhythMaTive
11.30 - 12.00	Odinn Born Viking Re-enactment Group
12.05 - 12.25	Creating Adventures brass band (NEW)
12.30 - 13.00	UK Blind Baseball Association
13.00 - 13.10	Royal Marines Association Corps of Drums
13.15 - 13.35	Reach Sled Dogs
13.40 - 14.10	Odinn Born Viking Re-enactment
14.15 - 14.35	Batida Rio
14.40 - 15.10	UK Blind Baseball Association
15.15 - 15.35	Batida Rio
15.35 - 15.45	Winner announcements
15.45 - 16.30	Batida Rio workshop



Disability Partnership

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Greenhouse Area

GR - 01 Utility Warehouse

Bridge

BR - 01 Wizard II - John B
BR - 02 DP Shopmobility Birchwood
BR - 02 DP Shopmobility Warrington

Marquee 1

M1 - 01/03 DAD Programmes & Information
M1 - 04 Ability Needs Magazine

Marquee 2

M2 - 01/03 Disability Partnership
M2 - 03A Energy Efficiency Support Services
M2 - 04 Warrington Carers Hub
M2 - 05 Citizens Advice Warrington
M2 - 06 Making Space
M2 - 07/08 Mersey Care
M2 - 09 AccessAble
M2 - 10 Torus
M2 - 11 Foster 4
M2 - 12/14 Warrington Borough Council
Communities & Wellbeing Team
M2 - 12/14 Warrington Borough Council
Employment Development Team
M2 - 15/17 North Cheshire & Mersey NHS
Foundation Trust
M2 - 18 The Will Writing Group
M2 - 19/20 Expanse Learning

Marquee 3

M3 - 01 Inclusion starts with us
M3 - 02 UK SENDCompass
M3 - 03 Autism Practical Support
M3 - 04 The Petty Pool Trust
M3 - 05 Bridge College (Together Trust Charity)
M3 - 06 Gateway Community
M3 - 07 Walton Lea Partnership
M3 - 08/09 Catalyst Choices
M3 - 10 Creating Adventures
M3 - 11 Willow Green CIO
M3 - 12/13 Ellatogether CIC
M3 - 14 The Autism Wellbeing Project
M3 - 15 Families United Warrington

Marquee 4

M4 - 01 Safe and Snappy Ltd
M4 - 02 EE BT
M4 - 03 G-Force Communications
M4 - 04 Millercare Ltd
M4 - 05 Mayden Support
M4 - 06 NexAble
M4 - 07 Beanbag Care
M4 - 08 Porters Care
M4 - 09 Smart Flat
M4 - 10 Quick Shoelaces
M4 - 11/15 Disability Trading Company
M4 - 16 Adapted Trends Clothing
M4 - 17/18 AKW Medicare Ltd

Marquee 4

M4 - 19 AJM Healthcare
M4 - 20 NPM Mobility
M4 - 21 Routes Health Care Ltd
M4 - 22 Crown Prosecution Service
M4 - 23 Healthcare Matters
M4 - 24 Ableworld
M4 - 25/26 Terry Lifts
M4 - 27 Ikea Warrington

Marquee 5 - Performing Arts

Marquee 6 - Arts Zone 2

Marquee 7 - Arts Zone 3

Marquee 8

M8 - 1/2 Guide Dogs
M8 - 3/4 MND Association South Lancashire Branch
M8 - 05 PHAB
M8 - 06 St Rocco's
M8 - 07 Greenbank Sports Centre
M8 - 08 RSPCA Warrington & Halton St Helens
M8 - 09 PSS Shared Lives
M8 - 10 Cheshire Federation of WI
M8 - 11/12 Torch Trust for the Blind
M8 - 13 Jacobs UK Ltd
M8 - 14 State of Mind Sport
M8 - 15 Directions for Men
M8 - 16 Warrington Halton and St Helens Samaritans
M8 - 17 POPYRUS
M8 - 18 Little Lights Liverpool
M8 - 19 Warrington VIP
M8 - 20 Partricias Wildlife
M8 - 21 The Bluecoat (Blue Room inclusive arts)
M8 - 22 Good Value Club
M8 - 23 NeuroMuscular Centre
M8 - 24 Advanced Solutions Community Network
M8 - 25 Limbless Association
M8 - 26 David Lewis

Main Arena

MA - 01 Elephant Driving School
MA - 02 Faraday Wheelchairs
MA - 03/09 BAS
MA - 10 Mark Bates Ltd
MA - 11 Warrington & Vale Royal College
MA - 12 DAD Stewards Control Point
MA - 13 David Lewis
MA - 14 The Puddle Project
MA - 15 Davinci Mobility Ltd
MA - 16/17 Warrington Sea Cadets
MA - 18/23 St John Ambulance
MA - 24/25 Silent Disco
MA - 26/27 DTC Workshop & Repairs
MA - 28 Loved B4 Mobility
MA - 29/30 Cheshire Mix 56 Radio
MA - 31/32 Acts Sound & Lightning
MA - 33/34 Catering 1
MA - 35/36 Catering 2

Locations List



Main Arena

MA - 37/38 Catering 3
MA - 39/40 Catering 4
MA - 41/42 Catering 5
MA - 43/46 Reach Sled Dogs
MA - 47/49 Farm Truck Design
MA - 50/51 Royal British Legion
MA - 52/53 Royal Marines Association Corps of Drums
MA - 54 Energy Projects Plus
MA - 55/58 Museum of Policing in Cheshire
MA - 59/60 Cadent
MA - 61 Liverpool Hope University
MA - 62 Adapt-e Ltd
MA - 63 Sea Support Services LTD
MA - 64 Cats Protection
MA - 65 Cheshire Wildlife Trust
MA - 66 Warrington & District Society For Deaf People
MA - 67 The Reet Good Collective
MA - 68 DP Tombola 1
MA - 69 Warrington Wolves Community Foundation
MA - 70 Radio General

Sports Zone

SP - 01/3 Cheshire Scuba Academy
SP - 05 Total Tai Chi
SP - 06 St Helens Pedal Power
SP - 07 Get Cycling
SP - 08 Warrington Cycle Hub
SP - 09 Blind Baseball
SP - 10 Warrington Wolves PDRL
SP - 11/18 Warrington Youth Zone
SP - 19 Glen Children's Entertainer
SP - 20 Radio Warrington
SP - 21/26 British Shooting
SP - 27/28 Cheshire Tennis
SP - 29/31 Leroy Snooker
SP - 32 Blissful Balance Yoga
SP - 33 Wheelchair Basketball
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Swing Area

SW - 01 Ice Cream 2

Zoo Area

Z - 01/02 Radio General
Z - 03/04 United Utilities
Z - 05/08 Warrington Own Buses
Z - 09/10 Ice Cream 1
Z - 11 Pentagon Motor Group
Z - 12 North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Z - 13 Volvo Cars Warrington
Z - 14 United Utilities
Z - 15/16 Alcedo Care
Z - 17/24 Automotive Group
Z - 25/27 CRUK Awareness Roadshow
Z - 28/29 Central Credit Union
Z - 30 Halton Community Transport
Z - 31 DP Tombola 2
Z - 32/34 DP Disability Heritage Project

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Site Plan of DAD 2026

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Help, assistance or emergencies

DAD stewards are wearing distinctive black polo shirts and dayglo yellow tabards. They are all in radio contact with the event organisers and St John Ambulance.

• Wheelchairs

A fleet of 40 wheelchairs are available on free loan. For further details see the Wheelchair Loan Service based near the bridge.

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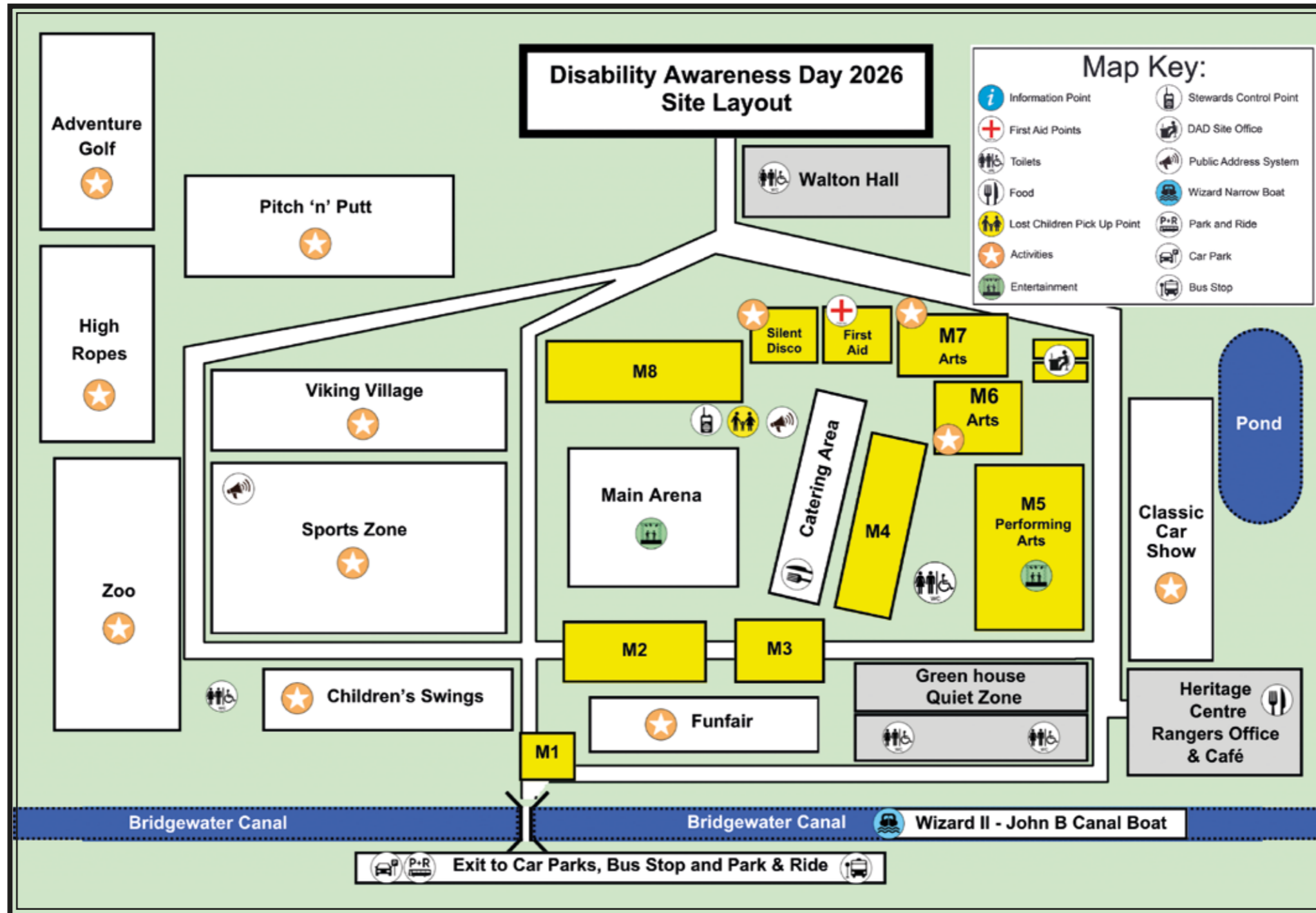
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• The Rangers

The Rangers Service is available to answer questions about the park, hall, zoo and facilities.

• No Smoking

In the interest of safety, please **DO NOT SMOKE** inside the marquees.



• Information Point

The information point is situated opposite the children's swings area.

• Toilets

There are gents and ladies toilet blocks and wheelchair accessible units located between Marquees 4 and 5. A permanent wheelchair accessible unit with a hoist and changing plinth is situated in the toilet block adjacent to the entrance bridge (near the heritage centre). Two standard accessible toilets are located near the zoo and swings area. Additional toilets can be found to the rear of Walton Hall.

• Catering

Refreshments are available from the catering units located around the site. The Heritage Centre Café will be open throughout the day serving hot and cold food and drinks. Seating areas are available around the site, for visitors bringing their own food and drink.

PLEASE NOTE:

The last minibus returning to the park and ride car parking area will leave from **Walton Gardens Car Park at 5.15pm**. The last bus returning to the town centre bus station will leave **Walton Gardens at 5.15pm**.

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Development of Disability Partnership's Social Enterprise – The Disability Trading Company

In April 2011, Disability Partnership launched a social enterprise 'The Disability Trading Company'. Their first retail service was launched from the Warrington Centre for Independent Living, and in October 2011 they opened the Mobility & Independent Living Store (MILS) in the Golden Square Shopping Mall, followed by MILS Liverpool in early 2012.

In early 2013 DTC opened a large Mobility Workshop & Service Centre which provides servicing and repairs for individual customers, and businesses including Warrington and Halton Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, nursing homes and local Shopmobility Schemes. In late 2013 DTC launched a service aimed at recycling mobility equipment, scooters, wheelchairs and power-chairs.

Second-hand products are refurbished and recycled to be sold at a low cost to local people from our Golden Square shop. In partnership with other organisations, such as Care UK, products that are unable to be sold are donated to help disabled people in other countries. To-date, over £1 million worth of equipment has been donated to support disabled people across the world; including in Thailand, Egypt, Cameroon, Syria, Ukraine and Greece.

In 2017 DTC joined the British Health Trades Association, underlining their belief in the BHTA "Buy with Confidence" scheme that is accredited to Trading Standards. Receiving "approved dealer" accreditation to the national Motability Scheme was also achieved, which allows disabled people to use the enhanced mobility component of DLA or PIP to lease a powerchair or mobility scooter.

In 2018 DTC opened a new service, the Smart Flat is an assistive technology showroom located at the Warrington Centre for Independent living.

In 2019 in partnership with the Golden Square Shopping Centre, DTC moved their Mobility & Independent Living Store (MILS) from inside the Centre to a larger brighter store in Sankey Street.

In 2020 in partnership with Birchwood Shopping Centre, DTC opened a Mobility and Independent Living Store (MILS) in the Centre, it also includes Birchwood Shopmobility Service.

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- Free impartial home and work assessments based on the philosophy of information, advice and guidance, not just sales,
- DTC is a user-led social enterprise; many staff and all volunteers have used their experience of living with a disability or long-term health condition to develop the services and ensure they sell the right products
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Catalyst Choices - Birchwood Days

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We offer free, confidential and impartial advice on a range of issues including debt and benefits. People rely on us because we're independent and totally impartial. Debra Naylor - 01925 246970

Creating Adventures

We are a charity providing social, creative activities for adults with autism and learning difficulties, building independence skills, confidence, and bringing laughter, stimulation, fulfilment. Jenny Alcock - 07501 027508 | 01925 000136 www.creatingadventures.org.uk

Crown Prosecution Service

We are responsible for criminal prosecutions including hate crime, domestic abuse and sexual offences. It's our job to make sure the right person is prosecuted for the right offence helping to deliver justice for victims and communities. www.cps.gov.uk

CRUK Awareness Roadshow

The roadshow offers free healthcare advice to the public, helping them spot the early signs of cancer. Neil Holland - 07903 245272



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Culture Warrington

Overseeing the iconic Parr Hall, Warrington Museum & Art Gallery and Pyramid Arts Centre, Culture Warrington is your one-stop shop for art, history and entertainment in the heart of Warrington's Cultural Quarter, igniting and sustaining the community's passion for culture and heritage.
www.culturewarrington.org

David Lewis

We provide a range of educational, residential and medical services to support adults and young people with complex needs, including learning difficulties, epilepsy and autism.
01565 640000
www.davidlewis.org.uk

DaVinci Mobility Ltd

At DaVinci Mobility, we are passionate about transforming lives through innovative mobility solutions. With decades of expertise, we specialise in designing and manufacturing custom-built wheelchairs, handcycles and vehicle adaptations to enhance freedom.
Joseph Curran - 0151 548 1999
www.davincimobility.com

Directions for Men

Mens peer support group.
Nick Bain - 07488 305829
www.directionformen.org.uk

Disability Partnership

DP is an internationally acclaimed user-led charity. With over 30 years of experience in developing and delivering mobility and independent living services. we aim to support disabled people and people living with long-term health conditions.
01925 240064

DP - Energy Efficiency Support Services

We provide a FREE, impartial high-quality energy advice and support service to households in fuel poverty and/or facing difficulties paying their bills.
Ellen Houghton - 01925 240064

DP Accessible Caravan

WDP owns and runs a brand new wheelchair accessible caravan in Pensarn, North Wales, available for weekly hire.
Kate Picken - 01925 240064

DP Direct Payments

A Direct Payment is money the council can give to you, to enable you to set up and control the services you choose to meet your needs. At DP we have a team who can help you access and manage personal budgets, recruit personal assistants and process payroll.
01925 240064

DP Employment Support

We can help you find a job or suggest reasonable adjustments to the one you have. DP's Employment Team supports people who are looking to move into work by giving information, advice and guidance around training, volunteering and all aspects of job search.
Jane Pendlebury - 01925 240064

DP Meeting Room Hire

We have two meeting rooms and an IT Training Suite available to hire in our Centre for Independent Living, with onsite catering available from the Galleries Café.
John Balshaw - 01925 240064

DP Older People's Lunch Club

DP Older People's Lunch Club is ideal for individuals who are looking for friendship, activities, fun and lunch. The Lunch Club for older people is held every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am to 2 pm. As well as lunch, attendees will enjoy activities provided.
Caroline Thompson - 01925 240064

DP OWCH Pain Management

Offering Pain Management support, advice and a forum around managing a long-term health condition. The OWCH Pain Support Group is run by a team of volunteers who have progressed through the Pain Management Programme.
Caroline Thompson - 01925 240064

DP Payroll

DP offers a reliable and efficient Payroll service tailored to meet the needs of Direct Payment clients. We understand the concerns you may have about employing staff and support with all aspects of payroll (including HMRC and Pensions).
01925 240064

DP Scooter Safe

Working with Warrington Borough Council, Network Warrington and the Cheshire Police and Crime Commissioner, Scoota Safe offers training courses, using our mobility test track, on the safe use of mobility scooters and powered wheelchairs.
Dave Thompson - 01925 240064

DP Shopmobility Birchwood

Our Shopmobility in Birchwood Shopping Centre offers both scooters and wheelchairs for use in the Centre for those with limited mobility. They are available to hire to both members and day visitors, Monday to Saturday 9 am - 5 pm.
Paddy Toole - 01925 240064

DP Shopmobility Warrington

This service helps people with limited mobility, both temporary and permanent, enabling them to experience greater freedom and independence. shopping, socialising and/or just travelling to appointments in Warrington Town Centre.
01925 240064

DP Staying Connected

Formerly known as Disability Forum and Long-Term Health Conditions Support Group. The on-line meeting has lively agendas for discussions and an active membership of over 40 individuals and organisations. Staying Connected provides a focus for consultation.
01925 240064

DP Wheelchair & Equipment Hire

We have developed a wide range of services aimed at helping you maintain and/or improve your mobility and independence including the short-term hire of wheelchairs and mobility scooters.
Hilary Evans - 01925 240064

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DP Workshop & Repairs

Offers servicing repairs and maintenance of mobility equipment. All profits are given to Warrington Disability Partnership.
Tommy Hammond - 01925 240064
www.disabilitytradingcompany.co.uk

DTC Quick Shoelaces to Quick Shoelaces

DTC is the sole trader of Quick Shoelaces in the UK. These shoelaces are a simple and accessible way to tie shoes, allowing people to look stylish while not worrying about their shoelaces untying. Perfect for everyone, from Kids to Athletes to Disabled people.
Info@disabilitytradingcompany.co.uk
01925 240064
www.disabilitytradingcompany.co.uk

Elephant Driving School

Automatic only driving school covering Runcorn, Widnes parts of Warrington and South Liverpool. Disability adapted cars. Training courses available to become a driving instructor.
Sarah Beddis - 07835 405600
www.elephantdrivingacademy.co.uk

Ella Performing Group

Inclusive Performing arts company.
Mal Hampson - 07507 040047
www.ellatogether.org.uk

Ellatogether CIC

Ellatogether is an inclusive performing arts company, uniting children, young people, and adults of all abilities to create positive, empowering experiences through the transformative world of performance.
Mal Hampson - 07507 040047

Energy Projects Plus

Staying warm at home for less; managing fuel bills; using renewable energy; exploring new tariffs. Free impartial, personalised advice for all.
Katie Paomo - 0151 637 3671
www.epplus.org.uk

Expanse Learning

We are a specialist provider in education and care. Offering a wide range of education, training and support to young people.
01942 877715
www.expanselearning.co.uk

Families United Warrington

Families United provide accessible and fun activities and events for families where one or more child/ children live with disability. We offer a free membership on our website.
office@familiesunited.uk
www.familiesunited.uk

Faraday Wheelchairs

Check our new bike attachments and ask about our 3D printed chair and inclusive sports projects.
Martin - 01928 564697
www.faradaywheelchairs.co.uk

Farm Truck Designs

We're farm truck designs and make custom metal and wooden items we will have our 1955 American Chevy pick-up as part of our stall.

Foster 4

Foster 4 Cheshire & Merseyside - Recruiting local Foster Carers for Local Councils.
Lisa Howard - lhoward@warrington.gov.uk
07920 270052
www.foster4.co.uk

Gateway Community

Gateway Communities programmes and activities are designed to help community members reach their goals and fulfil potential regardless of any difficulties/disabilities they may have.
Sheryl Goodall - 0151 422 0111
www.gatewaycommunity.co.uk

GB Power Hockey Association/WarringtonPower Sports Club

We do power sessions for disabled people of all ages who are not able to do manual wheelchair sports.
Ellis Palmer - 07972 928929
[instagram.com/warringtonpowersportsclub](https://www.instagram.com/warringtonpowersportsclub)

Get Cycling CIC

Inclusive and adapted cycles training & maintenance.
Adam Nicklin - 01904 636812
www.getcycling.org.uk

G-Force Communications

Mobile phones telecommunications connectivity vehicle tracking vehicle cameras specialise in working with schools.
Gavin Sheriff - 07866 334472
www.g-forcecommunications.com

Glen 7 Stand-Up Comedian

Comedian
Glen Fowler - 07871 625638
www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565930094780

Good Values Club

Good Values Club is a charity to promote Human Values in the schools and the community. We create Board games Working with Deep Group Warrington to promote activities for Dementia.
Dipak Fakey OBE - 07966 068279
www.goodvaluesclub.com

Greenbank Sports Academy

Greenbank is a Liverpool based registered Charity (Charity Number 513814) which has operated since 1983. Our mission is to support people to achieve their potential through inclusive education, sport and leisure support.
Mark Palmer - 0151 280 7757
www.greenbanksportsacademy.co.uk

Guide Dogs

We are here to help people with sight loss live the life they choose with the aid of a guide dog.
Val Godbold /Tracey Digby - 07979 328407
Guidedogs.org.uk



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Hamilton Occupational Therapy Solutions

Wheelchair skills training delivered by Jamie Hamilton, an occupational therapist and full time wheelchair user and athlete.

Jamie Hamilton - 07428 348788
www.hamiltonsolutions.com

Halton Community Transport

The aim of Halton Community Transport has always been clear and unwavering: to provide safe, affordable, comfortable and accessible transport to both individuals and community-registered groups with special transport needs in the Halton area.

0151 257 2410
haltoncommunitytransport.co.uk

Healthcare Matters

Healthcare Matters provides responsive healthcare equipment, rental, and managed services, supporting hospitals, councils, and individuals with solutions that promote independence, safely and efficient care delivery.

Jack Cusack - 07539 349585
www.healthcare-matters.com

Helena Edwards

Deliver Arts Workshops at Keate House Care Home.
Helena Edwards - 07399 488681
facebook.com/watercolourpaint

Inclusion Starts with Us

We promote inclusion offering sensory support bags, accessible activities, and communication tools that help children and families feel calm, connected, and fully supported.

IKEA Warrington

Home furnishings solutions for a better life at home.
Karen Miller - 01925 642200
IKEA.co.uk

Kelly Priestley

BSL Interpreter
07739 805503
kelly@manchester-bsl.co.uk

Kitty Taylor-Brown (BSL / English Interpreter)

Performance interpreter for deaf audiences.
Kitty Taylor-Brown - 07429 333900

Limbless Association (Charity)

As the largest Civilian Limb Loss Charity in the UK, established in 1983, we have been working with amputees and sector professionals for over 30 years. We offer information, advice and support for amputees, their family and friends and professionals.

0800 644 0185
limbless-association.org

Little Lights Liverpool

Little lights provide specialist respite for children 0 - 6 years with life limiting/life threatening conditions and complex needs.

Zoe Garrett - 0151 252 0055
lzp.org.uk

Loved B4 Mobility

We renovate and service donated items, including mobility scooters which give great savings.

01925 240064
www.disabilitytradingcompany.co.uk

Making Space

Warrington Hub, Making Space Psychological Support Services

www.makingspace.co.uk

Mark Bates Ltd

Mobility, Care and Independent Living Insurance.
Matt Cook - 07967 175068
markbatesltd.com

Mat Raidon

I'm a singer songwriter who's trying to make it into the music industry. I also have my own music studio where I aim to start taking students to singing lessons, I have also written a few books which I'm trying to get published.

Mat Eacott - 07539 028987
www.raidonrecords.com

Mental Health Outreach Team, Warrington Borough Council

Creative Remedies is a programme delivered by the Mental Health Outreach Team and involves a range of arts activities that aim to improve the health and wellbeing of Warrington residents. To be eligible, people must live in Warrington and be over the age of 18

Mental Health Outreach Team Duty - 01925 443555
www.warrington.gov.uk/creativemedies

Millercare Mobility Specialists

Special mobility and independent living provider delivering equipment, adaptations and clinical assessments through retail, home services, and partnerships with OTs, case managers and charities.

Customer Services - 0800 652 8533
www.millercare.co.uk

MND Association South Lancashire Branch

We provide emotional social practical and financial support to local people living with MND as well as their carers and families.

Christine Hoskin - 07590 266849
www.mndassociation.org/support-and-information/local-support/branches/south-lancashire-branch

Museum of Policing in Cheshire

The Museum of Policing in Cheshire preserves and researches the heritage of policing in the county. Based in Warrington, it is a fully registered charity.

Len W Cotterell - 07801 583772
www.cheshirepolicemuseum.org.uk

NeuroMuscular Centre

We are a charity that is dedicated to empowering everyone affected by neuromuscular conditions, including muscular dystrophy, to live healthy, fulfilling and productive lives.

Sarah Lalieu - 01606 860911
nmcentre.com

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Neve Boswell

I sing cover songs and have done this through school. To continue with my singing career I work in SEN schools and really want to make a difference to the children I help, as singing helps them so much.

Rachel Boswell - 07803 845610

Nexable

We provide GPS watches and personal alarm pendants who require additional support and reassurance at home and when out and about.

Katy Payne - 0330 223 7320
www.nexable.co.uk

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside - the Integrated Care Board (ICB) for the region - is responsible for planning NHS services for our population, which includes the care you receive at your GP practice, local pharmacy, NHS dentist, NHS opticians, or at hospital.

General Enquiries - 01925 944443
www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk

North Cheshire & Mersey NHS Foundation Trust

A leading NHS Foundation Trust providing hospital and community services across Warrington, Halton and the wider North West.

Communications & Engagement Team - 01925 662835
www.northcheshireandmersey.nhs.uk

North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust

We will be promoting the emergency, and non-emergency services that we provide and deliver across the North West. We will also have information about careers and volunteering opportunities available at our trust.

Rachel Bates - 07812 305630
www.nwas.hns.uk

North West Charity Singers

As a registered charity NO: 1162022 we perform free of charge at care and residential homes and community groups. We raise funds singing and playing at supermarkets.

Jan Crawley - 07356 008064
NWCSingers

NPM Mobility

Mobility dealer based in Bolton, providing bespoke wheelchairs/ powered add-on devices and mobility scooters.

Nicola / Paul - 01204 358907
www.npmmobility.co.uk

Odinn Born Viking Re-enactment Group

Odinn Born are an independent Viking age re-enactment group. Our events present a wide range of aspects of life in Viking age Europe.

Matt Welch (secretary) - 07816 960225
Facebook:-Friends of Odinn Born

PAPYRUS

PAPYRUS works to prevent young suicide, by being there in a crisis, training the people around young people, and shaping support around them.

Partricia's Wildlife

Hand-painted acrylic artwork of wildlife painted on Tiles, Wood, Slate, Candles and hanging decorations.

Patricia McWilliams - 07813 550688
patrica.mcwilliams@yahoo.com

Pentagon Motor Group

We make the car buying process as enjoyable and straightforward as possible.

Mark Forsyth - 0161 621 2720
www.pentagon-group.co.uk

Petty Pool

Petty Pool empowers young people with SEND, providing skills, confidence and support through inclusive activities, helping them discover a world of opportunity and possibility.

Michaela East - 01606 889097
www.pettypool.org.uk

Petty Pool

Autism practical support - changing the lives of autistic individuals, creating understanding, awareness and inclusion, supporting autistic individuals at every stage of life.

Michaela East - 01606 889097
www.pettypool.org.uk

Phab

Phab provides safe and fun social clubs and adventures for people to feel independent, meet new friends and gain confidence together.

Rebecca Hargreaves - 0208 667 9443
www.phab.org.uk

Porters Care Ltd

We provide care technology solutions that improve outcomes, reduce caregiver workload and ensure a safer environment for those in care.

David Knowles - 0161 676 5431
www.porterscare.co.uk

PSS Shared Lives

Shared lives is like fostering but for adults. Shared Lives carers support someone living with them, at home, to be as independent as possible.

General Enquiries - 07889 756420
www.sharedlivescarers.com

Radio General (Warrington Hospital Radio)

Broadcasts to patients in Warrington Hospital and online. Programmes include requests, items of local interest and commentaries on Warrington Wolves Viking Games.

Keith Inman - 01925 662122
www.radiogeneral.co.uk

Radio Warrington

Radio Warrington is a community radio station broadcasting 24 hours a day across Warrington and the surrounding areas on DAB, online, on App and on Smart Speaker.

01925 659708

Reach Sled Dog Rescue

Rescue, rehabilitate and re-home all Northern breed dogs.

07542 859206
Reach sled dog rescue



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RhythMaTive Dance

We are a friendly and supportive community dance group where everyone can have fun, build confidence, and develop their dance skills. Our sessions combine enjoyment with learning, helping dancers grow while being part of a positive and inclusive environment.

Becky Spencer - 07743 972268
RhythmaTive Dance on social media

Routes Healthcare Ltd

Routes healthcare provides domiciliary and complex care services across the North of England. Supporting individuals to live safely and independently in their own homes.

Chris Morris - 07455 837449
www.routeshealthcare.com

Royal British Legion

The Royal British Legion is working hard to support the most vulnerable in our society, be it older veterans that we care for, those who suffer from social isolation, or those who are simply overwhelmed by the challenges associated with the cost-of-living crisis.

www.britishlegion.org.uk

Royal Marines Association Corps of Drums

A local group supporting the community and teaching music to all.

Adam Peers - 07814 668694
Royal Marines Association Corps of Drums North West

RSPCA Warrington & Halton St Helens

Rehabilitate and rehome dogs and cats that have been subject to cruelty and neglect.

Kevin McFarlane - 01925 632944
www.rspca-whs.org.uk

Safe and Snappy Ltd

Safety wearable products for people with medical conditions or neurodivergence, using QR and NFC technology to provide instant vital information.

Becky Dutton - 07921 127102
www.safeandsnappy.com

SEA Support Services

SEA Support Services offer services for the Deaf and Blind people who use British Sign Language throughout England.

info@sea-supportservices.co.uk
0161 928 8810
www.sea-supportservices.co.uk

Special Education Needs and Disability Studies at Liverpool Hope University

Teach students to become disability activists and promote disabled peoples equality. We teach everything from accessibility to cultural representations of disability.

Dr Erin Pritchard - 0151 291 3183
www.hope.ac.uk/courses/special-education-needs

St Helens Pedal Power

Community cycling group for everyone on wheels. We provide fortnightly cycling for adults with disabilities. 11am - 1pm at Victoria Park St Helens. Adapted bikes and helmets are provided free.

Peter Davies
sainthelenspedalppower@gmail.com

St John Ambulance

Look after anyone ill or injured at events.
www.sja.org.uk

St Rocco's Hospice

We provide specialist palliative care for people in the Warrington Area with life limiting illness and their loved ones.

enquiries@stroccos.org.uk
01925 575780
www.stroccos.org.uk

State of Mind Sports Charity

State of Mind Sport is a multi-award-winning charity that harnesses the power of sport to promote positive mental fitness.

Dr Phil Cooper
phil.cooper@stateofmindsport.org
www.stateofmindsport.org

Stepping Stones Creative

We are Stepping Stones Creative, a Salford based creative arts organisation supporting people with learning difficulties. This performance is by our inclusive dance group which is a collaboration between Stepping Stones Creative and Princes Park Garden.

Amelia Humphreys
s.screative@icloud.com
Facebook Stepping Stones Creative

Supported Living Service

Supported living 24/7. Domiciliary care in the community.
Cath Norman - 01925 506128
maydensupport.co.uk

Terry Lifts

Terry Lifts manufactures a range of lifts for public access and domestic use, including platform lifts, step lifts and through floor lifts.

General - 01565 752800
www.terrylifts.co.uk

The Autism Wellbeing Project

We support autistic adults through free wellbeing activities, mentoring and therapy and offer bespoke training programmes.

hello@theautismwellbeingproject.co.uk
0151 304 7175
www.theautismwellbeingproject.co.uk

The Bluecoat (Blue Room inclusive arts)

Supporting learning for disabled adults to explore art, develop skills and share their own work at the Bluecoat Arts Centre and Norton Priory Museum and Gardens.

Becky Waite - 07549 078500
www.thebluecoat.org.uk/projects/blue-room

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The Monday Club

Meets every Monday for arts and crafts, films, music, seasonal activities. Making friends and meeting people. £10 charge includes a two course lunch and selected drinks.

rheath@disabilitypartnership.org.uk
01925 240064
www.disabilitypartnership.org.uk

The Puddle Project

The Puddle Project provision supports adults with SEND through life skills, social opportunities, employment opportunities and inclusive activities, building confidence, independence and community connections.

Megan Walker - 07780 779813
www.thepuddle.org

The Reet Good Collective

The Reet Good Collective is a non-profit veterans community group. The home of trash or treasure (TM) and Reet Good pet treats.

www.reetgoodpettreats.com

The Will Writing Partnership

A friendly estate planning service where experienced local consultants visit your home, offering clear advice, helping you protect your wishes and loved ones.

Sam - 0161 521 6995
www.twp.co.uk

The Women's Institute

Our members make a real impact on local, national and international issues. They Learn and pass on new skills, make new friends, and have fun.

Sue Bentley MBE - 01244 347462
www.cheshirewi.org.uk

Timepiece

We are a swing band playing music from 1920s to present day.

07726 883016
www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100035373146933

Torch Trust for the Blind

Fellowship Groups, Holidays, Books, Magazines & Bibles in audio, Braille, Large / Giant Print Chaplaincy support.

Client Services - 01858 438260
info@torchtrust.org

Torus

Providing great homes and breathing new life into places. Maintaining properties and being a responsible landlord. Improving peoples lives and strengthening communities. Creating a better future by working partnerships.

info@torus.co.uk
0800 6781894
www.torus.co.uk

Total Tai Chi

In every movement there is medicine, The minds leads, the body follows and you relax. Come join in and experience it.

Heather Bradbury - 07597 538438
www.totaltaichi.co.uk

Town Crier

Announce news and proclamations.

AJ Powell - 07955 240763
Facebook: Lymm Town Crier

UK SEND Compass

The UK SEND Compass is an all-in-one digital app guiding neurodivergent individuals, Families, Schools and support businesses to essential disability resources, communities and professional support.

United Utilities

Our priority services scheme is free and is set up to provide you with additional support at times when you might need it most.

www.unitedutilities.com/help-and-support/priority-services

Utility Warehouse

Helps families to reduce their utilities bills.

Jo Woods - 07754 348380
uw.partners/jo.woods

Vanessa Ramsden

Compere
Vanessa Ramsden - 07593 985358

Volvo Cars Warrington

We are a main dealer supplying new and used Volvos - We are also a mobility accredited dealer for sales and servicing.

General Enquiries - 01925 247190
www.sytner.co.uk/volvo

Walton Lea Partnership

At Walton Lea Partnership we have multiple recreational departments for the disabled adults which facilitate skill building, self-expression and wellbeing support through creative support

srayner@waltonlea.org.uk
01925 860143
www.waltonlea.org.uk

Wargrave Community Choir Singers

We are an inclusive, friendly choir who love to sing at community events, as well as performing full choir large concerts, and raising funds for charity.

Tony Connolly - 07707 997143
www.wargravecommunitychoir.com

Warrington Sea Cadets T.S. Obdurate

Cadet organisation looking to inspire young people to achieve their potential through nautical adventure guided by the customs and traditions of the Royal Navy.

OiC - s/Lt(scc) S Jones RNR
Email: info@warringtonseacadets.co.uk
www.sea-cadets.org/warrington

Warrington & Vale Royal College

We deliver technical training, T Levels, apprenticeships, adult courses, and higher education, supporting students into further study or employment.

Learner Services - 01925 494400
learner.services@wvr.ac.uk



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Warrington Borough Council - Communities & Wellbeing Team

The Team are dedicated to supporting the community in improving their health and happiness. The team connects residents with local services and expert advice to help make long-term, sustainable changes. They are based across the council's community centres, including Whitecross, Orford Community Hub, and Greenwood community centre. 01925 818017

Warrington BSL Signing Choir

We perform at many different events raising Deaf awareness and funds for the local Deaf community. We aim to make learning a sign language enjoyable as well as bringing music to Deaf audience.

Julie McGreal - 07734 683473

Facebook: Warrington BSL Signing Choir X@warrBSLchoir

Warrington Carers Hub

Single point of access for both adults and young carers providing care to a friend, family member or neighbour living in Warrington

enquiries@warringtoncarershub.org.uk

0300 303 0623

www.warringtoncarershub.org.uk

Warrington Cheer Storm

Angeline Rees - 07305 988686

www.cheerstorm.co.uk

Warrington Cycling Hub

We offer specialist repairs including electric bikes, wheelchairs, prams, buggys ect.

Mike Carlin - 01925 595544

info@warringtoncyclinghub.co.uk

Warrington Deaf Centre

A specialist deaf-led service providing community support, care, BSL access and inclusive activities that empower deaf people to live independently and participate fully in society. Becca Ashton - 01925 634640

Warrington Halton and St Helens Samaritans

Samaritans provide emotional support for people in distress, crisis or feeling suicidal 24 hours a day and 365 days a year.

Barbara Wood - 07957 498318

www.samaritans.org

Warrington's Own Buses

Warrington's Own Buses can trace its routes back to 1902, when the first electric tram commenced operation in Warrington. Over 119 years later, we're still going strong, providing quality local bus services the town of Warrington rightly deserves.

Warrington VIP (Visually Impaired)

We support people of Warrington who are visually impaired through a lunch club and visits, days out and holidays.

Fiona / Vicky - 01925 632700

www.warringtonvip.co.uk

Warrington Wolves Community Foundation

Inclusive and accessible sports activities for SEND

Amanda Hunt - 01925 248894

www.warringtonwolvesfoundation.com

Warrington Wolves PDRL

PDRL (Physical Disability Rugby League) is an inclusive and adaptive version of rugby league, designed to allow players with physical disabilities to participate in the sport.

Lee Mitchell - 01925 248894

Warrington Youth Zone

Warrington Youth Zone is a purpose-built state of the art facility for the town's young people aged 7-19, and up to 25 for those with special needs.

Molly Swatton

mollyswatton@wyz.org

www.warringtonyouthzone.org

WBC Employment Development Team

Employability support, deliver Connect to Work to help and support people back into or closer to sustainable employment that suits.

Jo Jackson - 01925 442635

www.warrington.gov.uk/employmentsupport

We Are Stars Drama

We are a group of adult who sing and dance but most of all we have FUN.

Margaret Devine - 07983 633944

Facebook page Stars Drama

Willow Green

Independent college providing education and ASC for 16 - 25 year-olds with learning difficulties and/or disability.

Rebecca Thomson - 01925 598619

Wired for Sound Community Choir

No auditions, you don't need to read music, no solo singing - all fun! Come and join us - we'd love to see you.

Eleanor - 07909 922241

Facebook.com/WFSWarrington

Wizard II - John B

Wizard II - John B is owned and run by DP with the aim to give disabled people, their carers, family and friends access to a day trip on a canal narrow boat. Up to ten passengers can enjoy a day afloat on the beautiful Bridgewater Canal.

01925 240064

Zeno

Zeno Limited is a registered care provider that supports adults with additional needs. They provide supported living and home care, residential care placements and personal care for people with Learning Disabilities, Mental Health, Autism and other Neurodiverse conditions.

0161 706 0360 or Email: contact@zenold.co.uk

www.zenold.co.uk



Empowering individuals to live, grow and thrive

At Thrive Care Group, we believe every person deserves the opportunity to live a fulfilling life, achieve their goals, and be valued for who they are.

This Disability Awareness Day, we are proud to celebrate the abilities, achievements and potential of people with disabilities, while raising awareness of the support that helps make independence and inclusion possible.

As the umbrella organisation for a family of specialist services, Thrive provides exceptional support for adults and families with complex needs, helping people build meaningful lives with confidence, dignity and choice.

Whether you are seeking support, exploring career opportunities, or looking to make a positive difference in people's lives, we invite you to discover how Thrive Care Group is helping people thrive every day.

Through **Zeno**, we deliver residential and specialised Supported Living that promotes independence, social inclusion and personal growth for people with learning disabilities and those who are neurodiverse.

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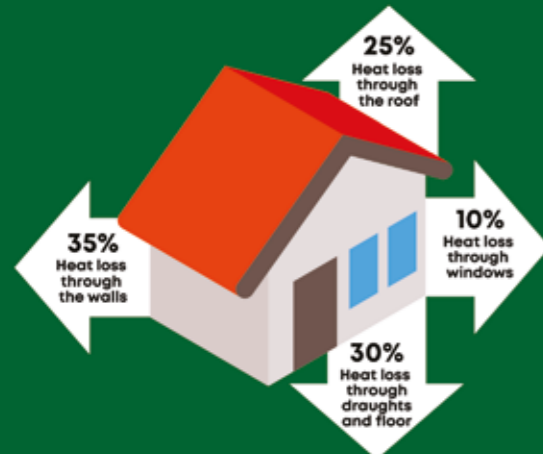
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Caroline Thompson – Disability Partnership - Deputy Chief Executive. Caroline oversees the administration and finances for the event, including the Stewards' registrations and locations, internal and external communications and DAD promotional material. Caroline also coordinates the VIP Reception for sponsors and supporters, WDP exhibition stands and catering for DAD events.

Chris Skinkis – Disability Partnership – Contracts and Operational Services Manager – Chris oversees the sports and activities taking part in the DAD Sports Zone, as well as supporting the Party in the Park event.

Dave Thompson MBE DL – Disability Partnership - Chief Executive and Event Founder & Co-ordinator. Even after 34 years, Dave works tirelessly all year round, constantly looking at ways to improve and develop the event further and always on the lookout for Sponsors and Supporters to get involved with the event. He is the originator of the sayings "Team WDP and DAD's Army". Dave coordinates the logistics and support services for the DAD event, which takes months of planning.

Edwin Spiers - Disability Partnership - Working with John, Ed helps to ensure that DAD equipment is well maintained and available for the event. Taking over the reins at 'Pam's Cafe for 2026, Ed will ensure that the Site Team are kept fed and watered in the lead-up to the event.

Ellie Thompson – Disability Partnership - DAD Administrative Support – Ellie supports the administration in the run up to DAD week. Ellie oversees the production of the DAD programme and advertisements, works alongside the team with leaflet distribution, fundraising and event bookings, as well as being involved with the social media team.

Gavin Gibbons - Walton Hall and Gardens. Head Ranger Gavin will be keeping a watching brief on our careful use of the grounds of Walton Hall. His team of rangers provide valuable support to the onsite DAD week team.



Gavin Thompson – Disability Partnership – Head Steward, member of the DAD Site Team & DTC Commercial Director. Gavin has grown up with DAD and has been heavily involved in all DAD events. As the Head Steward for the event, Gavin is responsible for ensuring the safe set-up of the event and the Health and Safety of exhibitors and visitors. He also coordinates the exhibition stands for the Disability Trading Company.

John Munslow – Disability Partnership - Joint Deputy Head Steward and member of the DAD Site Team. John plays an active role in all DAD Week activities and leads on the storage and itinerary of all DAD related equipment. On Sunday, you will find him at the Stewards' Control Point.

Libby Hornby - Disability Partnership – Marketing and Communications Officer. Libby is key to creating the marketing and print materials for the promotion of DAD and its week events. Libby coordinates our Social Media campaigns in the lead up to DAD Week and post-event, in addition to leading the organising and posting of the Media Team on DAD Day.

Kate Picken – Disability Partnership - DAD Administrator. Kate is responsible for the administration of the event including bookings and coordination of exhibitor spaces, receiving enquiries throughout the year.

Molly Swatton – Warrington Youth Zone – Inclusion Lead. Molly coordinates a large team of youth workers who bring a range of sports and arts activities to both Party in the Park and DAD. High energy and lots of fun come hand-in-hand with this team!

Rebecca Heath - Disability Partnership - Fundraising and Volunteer Manager. Coordinates DAD fundraising activities throughout DAD week and at the main event, as well as supporting our team of office volunteers.

Sue McMillan – Disability Partnership Trustee - Sue coordinates the whole entertainments programme at DAD, which includes the Main Arena and Arts Marquee, continually improving and expanding the activities available. Promotes and supports opportunities for disabled people to participate and achieve in the Arts and includes a diverse range of accessible and inclusive workshops.

Pam Thompson – Disability Partnership - Honorary President. Mrs DAD. Being married to Dave also means being married to DAD. Since the very first event, 35 years ago, she has kept the DAD Week Team in check and under control, as well as making sure that the DAD site is kept well organised and the final exhibitor mail out is complete.



Unfortunately, due to deteriorating health conditions, Pam will not be at the Park during DAD week preparations but is hoping to make a special appearance at the Main Event.



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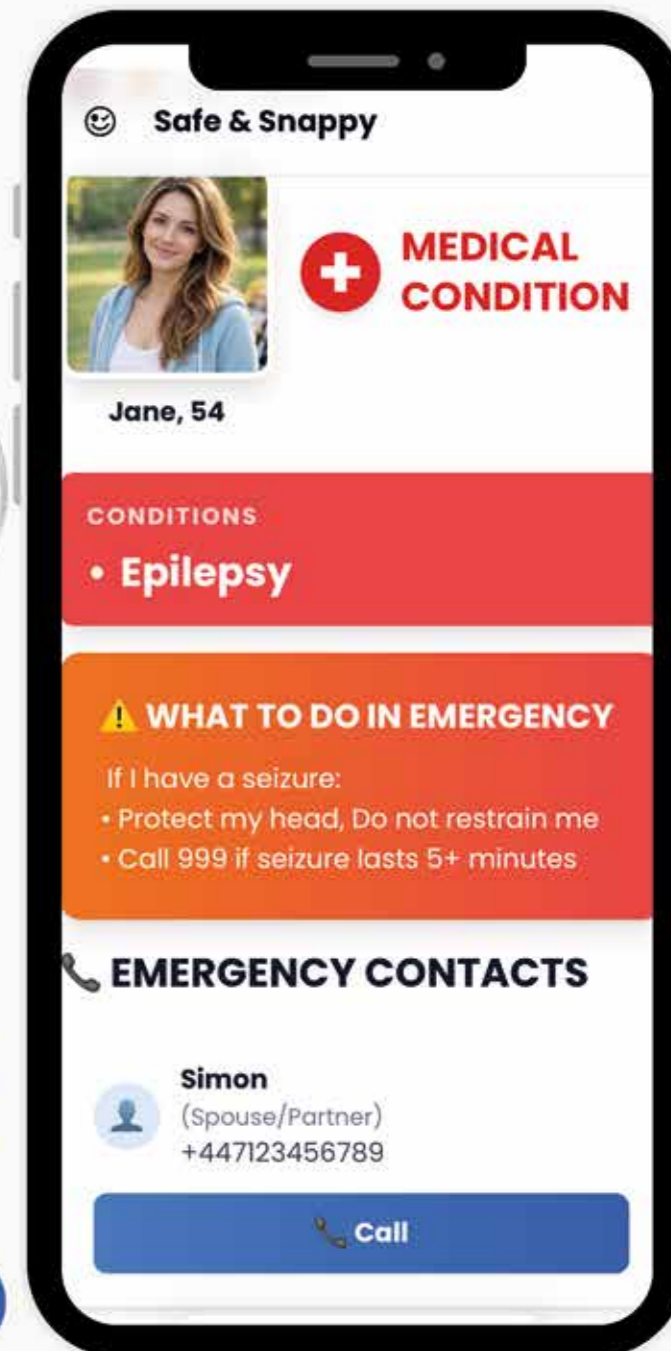


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