

## Pembrokeshire is 'Caring about Equality' this Carers Week (9-15 June 2025)

Carers Week is an annual campaign that aims to raise awareness about caring, highlight the challenges faced by unpaid carers, and recognise their valuable contributions to families and communities across the UK. The campaign also encourages individuals who may not perceive themselves as having caring responsibilities to identify as carers and access the essential support they need.

The initiative comes to life thanks to thousands of individuals and organisations that unite to offer support for carers, organise activities, emphasise the crucial role carers play in our communities, and bring attention to the importance of caring.



This year's campaign, titled "Caring About Equality," will focus on highlighting the disparities and disadvantages faced by unpaid carers across the UK, such as an increased risk of poverty, social isolation, and difficulties with mental and physical health. It's heartbreaking to see carers of all ages miss out on important opportunities in their education, careers, and personal lives simply because of their responsibilities to care for others. Let's come together for Carers Week 2025 to support one another and advocate for a fairer society. Together, we can ensure that carers are truly valued, recognised, and supported in the vital roles they play.

You can find out more about Carers Week and how to get involved at www.carersweek.org

If you live in Pembrokeshire and recognise yourself as an unpaid carer, or know someone who does, there is support available:

- Young Carers Service delivered by Action for Children 01437 633488. West Wales Support Services | Services | Action for Children
- Carers Support Pembrokeshire delivered by Carers Trust Crossroads West Wales 0300 0200 002 or <a href="mailto:carerssupportpembs@ctcww.org.uk">carerssupportpembs@ctcww.org.uk</a>







## What is happening in Pembrokeshire for Carers?

To recognise the important contributions and value of unpaid carers, Carers Week in Pembrokeshire is being celebrated by various organisations:

Carers Support Pembrokeshire (CTCWW), Action for Children, PAVS, Pembrokeshire County Council (PCC), Hywel Dda University Health Board, and several voluntary and community groups are offering a range of free activities throughout the county for unpaid carers, which include:

## To apply for a Carers Recognition card, contact:

Young Carers Card - Contact Action for Children by telephone 01437 633488 or send an email to Anne.Manning@actionforchildren.org.uk.

Young Carers ID Card | Services | Action for Children

Adult Carers Recognition Card - Contact Carers Support Pembrokeshire - 0300 0200 002 or carerssupportpembs@ctcww.org.uk

- Pembrokeshire Supported Employment Programme will be offering unpaid Carers a free hot drink and cake in their cafes across Pembrokeshire when they present with their Carers Recognition Card Cafes listed below.
  - ♣ Scolton Manor (Edie's Tea Room & The Station Shop) + No.5, Riverside, Haverfordwest.
- Pembrokeshire County Council is promoting their offer of free parking all year round for Carers at Scolton Manor, when Carers and Young Carers present at the Station Shop with their Carers Recognition card.
- The Pembrokeshire Community Connectors will be in various locations across the County with information about what's on in the community.
- Hywel Dda UHB Investors in Carers team are organising an information stand in Withybush General Hospital & South Pembs Hospital foyer.
- Pure West Radio programme "Community Hour" broadcast on the 25<sup>th of</sup> May will cover Carers Week.
- PCC has funded PACTO to enhance community transport for unpaid carers. Pembrokeshire Country Cars now offers two weekly journeys for unpaid carers, subject to the availability of a volunteer driver and a valid carer's card. Unpaid carers can travel free when accompanying the person they care for, and young carers can join the adult they support. For details, contact Simon Rickard at 07585 997091 or pembshub@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk.

This information is also available online at <a href="https://www.carerssupportwestwales.org">www.carerssupportwestwales.org</a>





## Here are the details of some of the activities taking place

Monday 9th June	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June
ASD Family Help	Keeping Well	ASD Family Help Parent/	Pembrokeshire Coast National Park	Carers Support Pembrokeshire
Parent/Carer Social	roadshow	Carers Social Group	Free Social Accessibility Walk	
Group	10 am to 3 pm	10 to 11.30 am	11 am to 1 pm	Wellbeing and Information Day
10 to 11.30 am	VC Gallery,	Lord Nelson Hotel		11 am to 3 pm
The Old Chapel, Lower	Pembroke Dock	Milford Haven	The walk will meet at 11am @	Haverhub, Haverforwest
Frog Street, Tenby	Health Care		Cwm-y-Eglwys carpark.	
	services		Cwm-yr-Eglwys Beach Public Toilets -	11.30 Money Matters
	Community hub		Google Maps	• 12.30- 3pm Complementary Therapy
	<ul> <li>Occupational</li> </ul>		<u> </u>	Tasters
	Therapies		Explore the Pembrokeshire Coast	VR Manual Handling sessions
	Community		National Park with our wheelchair-	Free refreshments
	alarms and		friendly walks, open to all in a relaxed,	
	technology		sociable setting. For more information,	
	Blood pressure		please contact: Amber Manning	
	testing		07931 612351	
	Carers			
	information			
Cooking on a budget	Fishguard	Wellbeing Wednesday	Online: HDUHB Digital Inclusion	Beginners' yoga session with Pembroke
10 to 11 am	Community	10 am to 4 pm	Webinar Session: Digital	Yoga and Coffee, and a light bite
VC Gallery, Pembroke	Connector Drop-in	VC Gallery, Pembroke	Accessibility	afterwards at Westgate Café
Dock	12 to 3.30 pm	Dock	10 to 11.30 am	
	Fishguard Town			10 am start for approx. 2 hours
Practical tasty and cost-	Hall	Join a local wellbeing walk,	Explore resources and the amazing	
effective meals		seated exercise group or	accessibility tools built into devices	87 Main Street
with Kate Smith, Hywel	Join Julie to discover	art session for unpaid	along with apps that can	Pembroke
Dda Community Nutrition	the various activities,	carers	empower individuals with hearing loss,	
Practitioner	services, and support		vision loss and speech challenges	Call Louise to register on 07990 678219
	available in the area.			







Online:	Online:	Botanical Dye workshop	Online:	Coffee Morning
Oil Pastel workshop	Power of Attorney	Designed to support unpaid	1 to 2pm Dwr Cymru	Clynfyw Farm
11 am to 12 pm	with Damian Lines	carers' wellbeing and self-		Clynfyw Community Benefit Society
	11 am to 12.30 pm	care	Are you a carer or being cared for by	Abercych,SA37 0HF.
To register:		10.30 am to 3 pm	someone? You may be eligible for a	www.clynfyw.co.uk
https://www.carersuk.org/	To register:	Stackpole Estate	cheaper water bill and free support	
wales/help-and-	https://www.carersuk	Please email	services from Welsh Water? To	10.30am to 12.30pm
advice/your-health-and-	.org/wales/help-and-	abi.makepeace@gmail.com	register:	
wellbeing/me-time-	advice/your-health-	to book (min 6 participants)	https://www.carersuk.org/wales/help-	
sessions/	and-wellbeing/me-		and-advice/your-health-and-	
	time-sessions/		wellbeing/me-time-sessions/	
		Knit and Natter Tea Party	Bongo Clive	Online:
		Join Community Connector	12.30 pm to 4 pm	Craft group
		Mia	VC Gallery, Pembroke Dock	Join Community Connector Jo on Zoom
				3pm to 4.45 pm
		Pembroke Dock Library	FUN with DRUMS and a good old sing	To register, email <u>Jo.brookman-</u>
		1.30 to 3.30pm	along followed by Cream tea	<u>lloyd@pavs.org.uk</u>
		Camomile Club		
		Live Music with Jade		
		Hughes with songs from		
		the 60s 70s & 80s		
		Tea & Refreshments		
		2 to 4 pm		
		Crug Glas Country House		
		SA62 6XX		
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		Please contact Gill on		
		07349 983324		
		for tickets at £10		



- To know more about or to advertise Carers Events throughout the year in Pembrokeshire, join the Carers WhatsApp group (contact <a href="mailto:Joey.ayris@mencap.org.uk">Joey.ayris@mencap.org.uk</a>) and join the "What's On" newsletter (contact angela.reid@pavs.org.uk)
- There are also activities happening across Ceredigion and Carmarthenshire for carers who live near county borders. More information can be found on the Carers Support West Wales website <a href="https://www.carerssupportwestwales.org">www.carerssupportwestwales.org</a>























