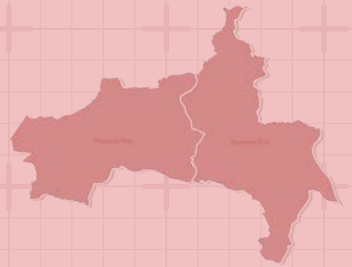


# Penistone Area Cost of living help



**local support  
and  
information**



## Penistone Area Team

The Area Team works across the whole of the Penistone Area (East and West Electoral Wards) on behalf of Barnsley Council. Our role is to support residents, community groups and Councillors to work together to improve our communities and the quality of life for the people who live and work here.

We work in partnership with others to help ensure that Penistone receives the support it needs in order to help address local needs.

We support local groups and voluntary organisations by offering guidance and information, signposting, identify training and funding opportunities, the recruitment of volunteers, publicity and development of projects.

## Penistone Area Council

Penistone East, Penistone West

Working as part of Barnsley Council's Area Arrangements, the Penistone Area Council is made up of locally elected Councillors. They use local information from residents to set the area priorities. They also take into account national sources such as the census.



Penistone Ward Alliance is a group of community representatives who have put themselves forward to work with the councillors to look at addressing local priorities. On behalf of Barnsley Council, the Ward Alliance works in partnership with others for the benefit of the ward and supports the community to build upon its strength, skills and resilience.

They hold a small budget called the Penistone Ward Alliance Fund which groups can apply to for funding to help deliver projects which contribute towards addressing the ward priorities. The funding can support and develop both existing and new groups. There is also an additional funding pot available called the Schools Out Fund. This is available for groups who are looking to deliver free family activities during school holidays.



# PIPA

## Partners In the Penistone Area

Sharing information, opportunities and solutions



This recently formed network is for providers, businesses and others who support communities in the Penistone area to provide something which may act as a point of connection, and potential collaboration, on a wide range of local issues focussed on ( but not limited to) the priorities identified by Penistone area council: Supporting Young People , Health and Wellbeing, The Environment, Local Economy and tourism, Helping people to connect.

Given the emerging impact of the cost of living crisis on local communities, these networks are more important than ever to ensure residents have their basic needs met.

In this guide, you will find information about the different groups and organisations which can offer:

Financial Support

Food Support

Housing Support

Fuel and Heating Support

Family Support

Employment and Learning

Warm Spaces

Health and Well Being

Many people are having difficulties due to the rising cost of living. You might not realise you're entitled to some help. You can find out about the range of local help that's available, as well as national support, by visiting the More Money In Your Pocket website.

# Help with the rising cost of living

visit [barnsley.gov.uk/MMIYP](https://barnsley.gov.uk/MMIYP)  
or scan the code



## MORE MONEY IN YOUR POCKET

### *Stretching the Penistone Pound*

Finding information online is a great start but if you have more specific needs or aren't confident using technology the Penistone Area Council fund local organisations that can help.

DIAL Barnsley can offer advice on all disability related issues including benefits, medical assessments debt, blue badges, transport, housing and more.

DIAL run a weekly Information and advice session at Penistone Town Hall, Shrewsbury Road every Tuesday 9:30am to 12:30pm

Appointment only

Call 01226 240273 for an appointment or advice



Passionate  
about  
possibilities.

## Advice in the community

### Great news, advice in the community is back in the Penistone Area!

Our advice line is open from 9 am to 4 pm Monday to Thursday

Chat to us on 01226 240273 or send us an email to [first.contact@dialbarnsley.org.uk](mailto:first.contact@dialbarnsley.org.uk)

Penistone Area Council  
Penistone East, Penistone West



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# Do you need advice?

Whatever your problem, wherever you live in Barnsley, Citizens Advice can help. Here's how to contact us:

## Telephone - 0800 144 88 48

Freephone helpline open Monday to Friday, 9am - 4pm

## Email - [barnsleycab.org.uk/contact-us/](mailto:barnsleycab.org.uk/contact-us/)

Fill out the online contact form to receive a response via email. (Usually within 2 working days, however at busy times this may take slightly longer.)

## Advice via Video Call - 01226 666017

Please call this number and leave a message. An adviser will call you back within 2 working days to arrange an appointment.

## Face-To-Face Advice

Face-To-Face advice is now available in a small selection of community outreach locations across Barnsley. Please check social media for details.

Get help from specialist services via the following methods:

## Universal Credit - 0800 144 8 444

Contact the Help to Claim service for help with the claim process - from making an application to getting your first payment. Available 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday.

## Debt - 0800 240 4420

If you're worried about money or debt, call the debt helpline. Available 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

## Energy - [barnsleycab.org.uk/contact-us/](mailto:barnsleycab.org.uk/contact-us/)

If you can't afford to pay for your gas or electricity or need help with your bills. Fill out the online contact form to request a one-to-one appointment.



[twitter.com/BarnsleyCAB](https://twitter.com/BarnsleyCAB)



[facebook.com/barnsleycab/](https://facebook.com/barnsleycab/)

Self-help information can be found on our website: [barnsleycab.org.uk](http://barnsleycab.org.uk).

Updated May 2022

Citizens Advice Barnsley is an independent organisation specialising in providing information and advice to assist people with legal, debt, consumer, housing concerns.

They can help with a wide range of issues in confidence.

They hold a drop-in at Penistone Library for those living within our area every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, 9am until 12 noon. Just call in!

Alternatively you can contact them on or via the methods listed here



There are 12 Parish councils and 1 town council across the Penistone area. They give people the opportunity to get involved in local affairs, events and campaigns and may be able to offer you support.

- Cawthorne 01226 765569  
[cawthorneparishclerk@msn.com](mailto:cawthorneparishclerk@msn.com)
- Dunford 07923877734 01484 680818
- Gunthwaite and Ingbirchworth 0114 2886933  
[gunthwaiteingbirchworthparishcouncil@outlook.com](mailto:gunthwaiteingbirchworthparishcouncil@outlook.com)
- Hunshelf 01226 764642  
[clerk@HunshelfParishCouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@HunshelfParishCouncil.org.uk)
- High Hoyland 01226 385030
- Langsett 07724 755236
- Oxspring 01226 792657  
[clerk@oxspring-parish.com](mailto:clerk@oxspring-parish.com)
- Penistone Town Council 01226 370088  
[clerk@pentowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@pentowncouncil.gov.uk)
- Silkstone 07947 545504  
[silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:silkstoneparishcouncil@gmail.com)
- Stainborough 07724 755236  
[clerk@stainboroughpc.org](mailto:clerk@stainboroughpc.org)
- Tankersley  
[clerk@tankersleypc.org](mailto:clerk@tankersleypc.org)
- Thurgoland 07724 755236  
[thurgolandpc@gmail.com](mailto:thurgolandpc@gmail.com)
- Wortley 07894 518497







## Penistone Food Buddies

helping feed local people in need

penistonefoodbuddies@gmail.com | tel. 07553065864

in partnership with



Penistone & Thurlstone  
Team Ministry

Penistone Food Buddies offers two days of meals for those feeling the pinch and who live

in Penistone East or West Wards without referral. To register, simply go along to one of their sessions with a photo ID and proof of address. They are currently working out of St Johns Church, you can find them on Friday afternoons, 11.30am until 1pm.

For more information, please visit their Facebook page @penifoodbuddies, or email penistonefoodbuddies@gmail.com

To help out donation points are Waggon & Horses Oxspring, Blacksmith Arms Millhouse, St Johns Church, Co-op in Penistone and Silkstone.



**BARNSELY**  
Metropolitan Borough Council

You could save up to £400 a year with free school meals for your child. School meals can also save you time and provide peace of mind that your child is enjoying a healthy, fresh, and nutritious meal at lunchtime.

If you live in Barnsley and your child attends a school in Barnsley or Kirklees you can find information and apply online.

[barnsley.gov.uk/services/children-families-and-education/schools-and-learning/free-school-meals/](https://barnsley.gov.uk/services/children-families-and-education/schools-and-learning/free-school-meals/)

or call (01226) 787787



For support from the Barnsley Foodbank Partnership you will need a referral first.

For details visit  
[barnsley.foodbank.org.uk](https://barnsley.foodbank.org.uk)

Or contact  
[manager@barnsley.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:manager@barnsley.foodbank.org.uk)  
01226 235280



Community Shop on the Go is a mobile food pantry which brings high quality food to areas where people may be struggling to access good food for either financial or geographical reasons.

Customers can buy 6 items of food for £3 or 12 items for £5

- Location: St John's Car Park / Family Centre, Church Street, Penistone, S36 6AR
- Day: Tuesdays 9am to 12pm every fortnight from Tuesday 12th December
- Qualifying Criteria: Customers must come from the local area

[barnsley.gov.uk/good-food-barnsley-partnership](http://barnsley.gov.uk/good-food-barnsley-partnership)

## Community Shop

On the 

coming to:

# Penistone

ST Johns Car Park / Hard Standing space  
outside family centre, S36 6AR

*Mix and Match!*

Small bag - 6 items for **£3**

Large bag - 12 items for **£5**

Follow us on  
facebook



Find local, low cost, good quality food  
in your area

[www.barnsley.gov.uk/good-food-barnsley-partnership](http://www.barnsley.gov.uk/good-food-barnsley-partnership)

Community Shop

 OPEN for more

SOUTH-YORKSHIRE  
SYMCA  
VOLUNTARY  
COUNCIL  
AUTHORITY

 BARNSELEY  
MUNICIPALITY



# HILL COUNTRY KITCHEN

**3:30-6:00<sup>pm</sup>**  
every Thursday  
(from 19th October 2023)

Free | Pay as you can

**Hot Meal**  
**Warm Space**  
meet and eat  
all ages welcome

at  
**Penistone  
Community  
Church**  
(opposite Springvale School)



This great initiative is being delivered by Penistone Community Church.

Grab yourself a delicious home cooked hot meal!

[penistonecommunitychurch.org.uk/hill-country-kitchen/](http://penistonecommunitychurch.org.uk/hill-country-kitchen/)

Penistone Community Church  
176 Sheffield Road  
Springvale  
S36 6HF

[hillcountrykitchen@penistonecommunitychurch.org.uk](mailto:hillcountrykitchen@penistonecommunitychurch.org.uk)



**berneslai**  
homes

Berneslai Homes are more than just landlords. Their dedicated Tenants First team give specialist tenancy and family support. The support is targeted to individual needs, with practical help and advice offered. They are also committed to helping people with the cost of living and back the More Money in Your Pocket campaign

Berneslai Homes support can be found at [berneslaihomes.co.uk/support-for-tenants/](https://berneslaihomes.co.uk/support-for-tenants/)

Our Warm Homes officers are holding sessions in libraries around the borough to support people.

They'll be able to provide guidance around keeping your home warm and check your eligibility for grants for heating and insulation. If you're unable to attend, more information is available at [barnsley.gov.uk/warmhomes](https://barnsley.gov.uk/warmhomes) or you can call 01226 77 33 66 to speak to the team.

## Warm Homes drop-in sessions Penistone Library Thursdays 10am - 12pm



- 23 November 2023
- 21 December 2023
- 1 February 2024
- 29 February 2024
- 28 March 2024

#WarmAndWell



It's useful to know the rights and duties you and your landlord (or managing agent) have when you live in a privately rented home. This includes maintenance and repairs.

Citizens Advice Barnsley can offer advice and guidance and there are a range of resources on the council website

[barnsley.gov.uk/services/housing/private-tenants/advice-for-private-tenants/](https://barnsley.gov.uk/services/housing/private-tenants/advice-for-private-tenants/)

Contact online or (01226) 773555

There is also support for home owners

[barnsley.gov.uk/services/housing/home-owners/](https://barnsley.gov.uk/services/housing/home-owners/)



Businesses looking for advice and support should contact Enterprising Barnsley who offer a broad range of services.

[investment@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:investment@barnsley.gov.uk)  
<https://www.enterprisingbarnsley.co.uk/>



**Enterprising  
Barnsley**™

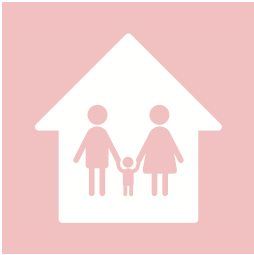


Our new Barnsley virtual family hub provides information and advice on a range of topics for the whole family.

Find out more about childcare, things to do, family centres and early help, emotional and wellbeing support, free online training courses, support for families with a child / young person with special educational needs/disability, schools, healthy holidays and much more.

[barnsley.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Synergy](https://barnsley.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Synergy)

or call them for FREE on 0800 0345 340



Family centres deliver joined-up early help services for children from pre-birth up to 19 years (or 25 years if the young person has a disability).

They bring together practitioners from a range of universal, targeted and specialist services in each local area, including schools, police, social care, private and voluntary sector and some adult services.

Penistone Family Centre  
c/o The Resource Centre, Church Street, Penistone  
S36 6AR

The Targeted Youth Support Service also works with young people from the 'I Know I Can' Young People's Centre in Penistone

More information about the support available from this service, please visit <https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/children-families-and-education/young-people/early-help-and-targeted-support-for-young-people>

Or you can contact them 01226 753406



Barnsley Adult Skills and Community Learning offer courses and classes for people aged 19 and over who want to improve their wellbeing, employability and skills or gain qualifications.

[barnsley.gov.uk/ascl](https://barnsley.gov.uk/ascl)

enquire online or call Catherine Wood on 07801890071 or 01226 775270

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Sign up to take part for free at [www.workingwinreferrals.co.uk](http://www.workingwinreferrals.co.uk) or call 0114 2900 218

Working Win supports people who have a health condition to find and stay in employment. If you're looking for a new role, or struggling at work, sign up for our free support.

You'll receive free one-to-one support from your dedicated Employment Specialist.

Unlock the benefits of learning, working and improved skills with support from our team.



Get in touch to explore local opportunities. If you're not sure what's out there, need help to get started or want a change, they can help.

Complete our online form at [barnsley.gov.uk/SkillsAndEmployability](http://barnsley.gov.uk/SkillsAndEmployability)

or call 01226 775100.



# BARNSELY LIBRARIES



Penistone Library has a range of activities available such as crafts and sewing groups, felting, rag rug and patch workers and lots more. Visit the library or the website for more details.

They are also part of the Welcoming Spaces network where people can spend time in a warm building over the winter months without judgement.

Open  
Mon 9:00 - 18:00  
Tues 9:00 - 17:00  
Wed 9:00 - 12:00  
Thurs 9:00 - 19:00  
Fri 9:00 - 17:00  
Sat 9:30 - 12:00

[www.warmwelcome.uk](http://www.warmwelcome.uk)  
[barnsley.gov.uk/services/libraries](http://barnsley.gov.uk/services/libraries)



November, December 2023  
 Wednesday 15th November — Shaun The Sheep: Farmageddon (U) — 4pm  
 Wednesday 22nd November — Greatest Showman (PG) — 12 noon (Relaxed screening)  
 Wednesday 13th December — Arthur Christmas (U) — 4pm  
 January, February, March 2024  
 Wednesday 10th January — Strange Magic (U) — 4pm  
 Wednesday 17th January — Rocketman (U) — 12 noon  
 Wednesday 21st February — Smurfs: The Lost Village (U) — 4pm  
 Wednesday 28th February — Sister Act (PG) — 12 noon  
 Wednesday 30th March — Abominable (U) — 4pm  
 Times:  
 4pm showings — Doors at 3.30pm / 12pm showings — Doors at 11.30pm  
 Tea , Coffee and biscuits available. FREE CHILDREN'S SMALL POPCORN AND SMALL DRINK  
 Please ensure children are accompanied by an adult.

### Penistone Town Council's Warmer Spaces Events

Free family screenings at Penistone Paramount with light refreshments throughout November 2023 to March 2024

More details available at <https://penistonetowncouncil.gov.uk/warm-spaces-events-paramount-winter-23-24/>

Or telephone 01226 370088

There are many voluntary and community groups working across Penistone here is a taste of what is out there



- Singing for Health - Angel Voices  
07915137206
- Springvale Community Garden  
springvalecommunitygarden@yahoo.co.uk
- Royd Community Garden
- Penistone Leisure Centre



Barnsley Volunteer Centre can provide friendly advice and guidance about volunteering. They can guide you on where to start and what organisations are looking for extra help that may suit your skills and abilities.

Check out the current volunteer opportunities  
[barnsleycvs.org.uk/volunteering/volunteering-opportunities](https://barnsleycvs.org.uk/volunteering/volunteering-opportunities)  
 call on (01226) 812183 or 07939521425 to speak to Yasmin.

Age UK Barnsley offer free information and advice on a wide range of topics affecting older people and their carers. This includes state pension age benefits, health social care and housing. They can also offer free warm homes checks.



Penistone Ageing Well Together  
enquiries@ageukbarnsley.org.uk  
www.ageukbarnsley.org.uk  
01226 776820



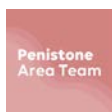
They also offer a Community Car scheme run by volunteers it is for those at risk of becoming isolated in their homes in the Penistone area. Trips can be for any reason including medical appointments, visiting friends, or even help going to the shops.

Age UK Barnsley supports many groups and activities, here are just some of them with the location and how often they take place.

- Tea & Chat - Weavers Court Penistone monthly
- Healthy Life Group - Pilley (Tankersley Welfare Hall) weekly
- Wortley Afternoon Social - Wortley weekly
- Tai Chi for over 50's - Penistone weekly
- U3A Various in Penistone area
- Happy Vibes Memory Café - Penistone Leisure Centre fortnightly
- Singing group - St John's Church, Penistone last Tuesday of the month
- Healthy Bones - Thurgoland Village Hall weekly
- Walk for Health - Pot House Hamlet, Silkstone weekly

For more information on the services and groups provided by Age UK Barnsley and funded by Penistone Area Council funding feel free to speak to the support workers who look after the Penistone area

Helen Townsend 07535439932



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