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**Latest news for week ending  
Friday 5 March 2021**

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Dear <<First Name>>

Welcome to the first MDY Bulletin of March 2021. Spring has officially sprung but after some late February sunshine and warmth, we are back to cold weather and for many fog. My hard work planting bulbs in the lawn back in the autumn is paying back with a lovely cheering display.

This week the MP for Richmond Yorkshire and Chancellor of the Exchequer Rishi Sunak has presented his budget and we have the first news of [how it may impact on museums](#).

The [British Museum is looking for local partners](#) while MDY are looking for participants in our [friendly learning cohorts](#).

Next week's Elevenses will be a chance to [meet the new MA rep](#) and the week after an [update on Accreditation](#).

We have a healthy number of jobs and freelance opportunities, all rounded off with [Barnsley butterflies on buddleia...](#)

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## News and Notices

### Budget News

The Chancellor announced another tranche of Covid Recovery Funding and the extension of a range of emergency schemes which effect museums. There is an extra £300M with around £90M ring-fenced to address reopening.

The 5% VAT rate for hospitality businesses is extended until September to be followed by a rate of 12.5% for six months until April 2022. The furlough scheme has been

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Museums can also receive help from the £126M set aside for youth employment. Organisations taking on trainees between 1 April and 30 September 2021 will receive £3,000 per trainee and apprentices no longer have to work for just one employee so could be shared across a group of smaller museums.

Another change which might help with reopening is that contactless payments can now be up to £100.

[advisor.museumsandheritage.com/news/whats-in-the-2021-budget-for-museums-and-heritage-attractions](https://advisor.museumsandheritage.com/news/whats-in-the-2021-budget-for-museums-and-heritage-attractions).

## 'Where We Are...' British Museum - Call for Partners

The British Museum are looking for partners for their new programme. Supported by the Paul Hamlyn Foundation, 'Where we are...' is a new national programme for young people aged 16-24 that co-designs and co-delivers meaningful arts and cultural projects across the UK.

They are looking for organisations that want to work in a truly collaborative way with young people to create these co-designed projects. These projects will be unique to their locality, each responding to a local community need identified by the young people. They are delivered through a partnership between the British Museum, a local cultural organisation, a third sector organisation and young people.

**Find out more at:** [www.britishmuseum.org/where-we-are](https://www.britishmuseum.org/where-we-are).

**Application deadline: 5.00pm on Monday 22 March.**

## Is it Time to Liven Up Your Recruitment?

Have a look at this video from Derby Museums which has been made as part of their recruitment for new front of house staff. It reveals much more about what the job entails than a job description and shows the value that the organisation puts on its welcome and the role of front of house staff.

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[www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZrK53SbC1xg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZrK53SbC1xg).

## Learning Cohorts 2021-22

### **\*\*Deadline: 14 March\*\***

In 2021-22 we are continuing with our successful programme of themed learning groups known as Cohorts. This is a fantastic opportunity to work with colleagues across the region to discuss, reflect, network and access high quality training for free!

Feedback from museum participants consistently highlights the great benefits of being involved. There is so much on offer including:

- fundraising basics
- collections care
- audience development
- health and wellbeing and
- a new programme focusing on developing facilities for family visitors.

[Download the guidance notes](#) for details of all eight programmes! You can apply to join a learning cohort in addition to applying for the MDY support menu.

**Please complete the initial [Expression of Interest Form](#) by 12.00pm, Sunday 14 March.**

**If your museum has any questions about taking part please contact your Museum Development Officer or email us at [MDYOffice@ymt.org.uk](mailto:MDYOffice@ymt.org.uk)**

## Your Week Ahead

## 2021 Regional Museum Forums

We're now into our first round of regional museum forums for 2021. All sessions will be online via MS Teams from 3.00pm - 5.00pm on the date given. Please follow the booking links below for more information and to register:

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-west-yorkshire-museums-forum-tickets-135659833213](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-west-yorkshire-museums-forum-tickets-135659833213).

Please see the full schedule for 2021 and booking links here: [Download PDF](#).

We hope to see you in person for dates later in the year, but will revert to online sessions on the advertised dates if this is not possible.



## Elevenes with MDY

As ever, we aim to keep it insightful, interactive and informal, so please join us to meet new guests, see colleagues from the region (yay!), and connect with the MDY team. Everyone who works and volunteers in museums in our region is very welcome, including museum freelancers who want to stay connected during this time. There's no need to book, just click the link provided on the events page on the day.

### Thursday 11 March Meet your new MA Rep - hear news and share your views

Victoria Ryves, from Heritage Doncaster, is a new Museums Association Representative for the North of England. Join us this morning to find out more about the Museums Association's focus campaigns for 2021, and feed back to Victoria on your current museum issues.

[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event/elevenes-thursday-11th-march-2021](https://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event/elevenes-thursday-11th-march-2021).

See 'Dates for Diaries' section below for future Elevenes or view the full Elevenes schedule at: [www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/elevenes-with-mdy](https://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/elevenes-with-mdy).

If you have any questions about Elevenes, please contact Alice Macpherson at: [alice.macpherson@ymt.org.uk](mailto:alice.macpherson@ymt.org.uk).

If you'd like to speak about your current or emerging work at Elevenes, please contact Jo Bartholomew at: [joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk](mailto:joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk).

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## Dates for Your Diary

### MDY Elevenses - Coming Up

#### Thursday 18 March Accreditation Update

Shabeena Anait joins us from Arts Council England to provide an update on the Accreditation scheme, which was paused in 2020, and to answer questions on your museum's situation with regard to Accreditation. Shabeena is Relationship Manager for Museums Accreditation in the North of England.

[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event/elevenses-thursday-18-march-2021](http://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event/elevenses-thursday-18-march-2021).

### 2021 Working Internationally Conference

#### 16-18 March

This year the Working Internationally conference is a three-day online event, with each day focusing on a major global issue:

- Social Justice: Museum responses to decolonisation, restitution, Black Lives Matter, representation and youth
- Museums and Sustainability: Challenges of working in and responding to a changing climate
- The Future of Museums: Where are we now, and where do we go from here?

The conference brings together speakers from the UK and across the globe to share their insight and experience of responding to changes in the sector and the world around us.

**Find out more and book at:**

[www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-working-internationally-conference-registration-136012148999](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2021-working-internationally-conference-registration-136012148999).

### Carbon Literacy

#### 27 and 29 April, 10.30am - 12.00pm Pre-course online learning 13-26 April

Gain the knowledge and skills to support your museum's progress towards becoming a net zero carbon organisation by becoming Carbon Literate. The training session will cover:

- The science behind climate change
- What it means to be net zero carbon

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training will be delivered by Jamie Bayle, a certified Carbon Literacy trainer, and has been checked and approved by the Carbon Literacy project. The training session is split into three parts - by booking this session you commit to participating in all elements:

- Part 1: Self-guided online learning on the science behind climate change (approx 3.5 hours) - link shared 13 April, learning undertaken before 27 April
- Part 2: Online session Tue 27 April 10.30am - 12.00pm on what action is already being taken nationally and within our industry (1.5 hours)
- Part 3: Online session Thu 29 April 10.30am - 12.00pm on what actions we can take both as individuals, and within our organisations with sector-specific advice (1.5 hours)

Participants will receive certification as a Carbon Literate citizen from the Carbon Literacy project.

**Find out more and book at:**

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/carbon-literacy-tickets-144390055543](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/carbon-literacy-tickets-144390055543).

## Your Wellbeing

### Coronavirus and Mental Health at Work

ACAS's website is a fantastic source of information and straightforward advice. Here is their section on Looking after your mental health:



[www.acas.org.uk/coronavirus-mental-health](http://www.acas.org.uk/coronavirus-mental-health).

## Job Opportunities and Volunteering

### Castle Howard Volunteer Room Stewards

Could you help us to preserve Castle Howard as a national treasure for future



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their time in this special place.

Whether you want to get to know our extraordinary buildings and stunning landscapes from behind the scenes, meet new people or learn new skills, we'd love to hear from you. You don't need any particular skills or experience to get involved and opportunities will be available throughout the week.

**Find out more:**

[www.castlehoward.co.uk/get-involved/volunteer](http://www.castlehoward.co.uk/get-involved/volunteer).

## **Wakefield Museums & Castles Freelance Brief: Teaching resource with focus on environmentalism**

**Budget: £5K, incl. all expenses**

We would like to appoint a freelance education specialist to develop new schools resources to support an upcoming exhibition (A World of Good) and cultural festival (The Festival of the Earth) based around the theme of the environment.

The final resources should be exciting and innovative for schools to use with teacher-led or independent learner focus for KS2 and KS3. We are open to suggestions to the format/platform for the final output (physical or digital).

[Download the full brief PDF.](#)

**Closing date: 9.00am on Monday 15 March.**

## **Council for British Archaeology (CBA) Festival of Archaeology Coordinator**

**Salary: £24K equivalent (part time), 3-year contract**

As Festival coordinators the CBA provides support to external event organisers and promotes events to the public via the Festival website. We also deliver a range of CBA led events and activities. The successful candidate will lead the day-to-day coordination of the Festival and work with colleagues to develop communications, event delivery and partnerships to help grow the reach and impact of the Festival.

**Closing date: 9.00am on Monday 15 March.**

**For full details and how to apply:** [new.archaeologyuk.org/job-vacancies](http://new.archaeologyuk.org/job-vacancies).

## **The Peace Museum Digital Marketing and Communications Co-**

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The prime purpose of the role is to provide digital marketing and communications support to the museum and staff.

**Find out more:** [www.peacemuseum.org.uk/digital-marketing-and-communications-co-ordinator-vacancy](http://www.peacemuseum.org.uk/digital-marketing-and-communications-co-ordinator-vacancy).

**For an informal discussion about the post, please email**  
[shannen.lang@peacemuseum.org.uk](mailto:shannen.lang@peacemuseum.org.uk).

**Closing date: 12.00pm on Monday 22 March.**  
**Interviews: Thursday 25 March.**

**Pickering Beck Isle Museum of Rural Life  
Operational Manager****Salary: £21,380 pa, pro rata, (part-time, 3 days pw, 12 mths initially with possibility for extension)**

The Board of Trustees is looking to appoint an Operational Manager to assist the Museum Curator with the day to day running of the museum allowing the Museum Curator more time to take forward some strategic projects. It is an exciting time to be joining the dedicated team at Beck Isle Museum.

Ideally, the successful candidate will have experience in leading a front of house team of volunteers, in meeting and greeting visitors, in processing admission and retail sales and in running the day to day duties associated with opening a museum.

**Find out more:** [www.beckislemuseum.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.beckislemuseum.org.uk/vacancies).

**Closing date: 5.00pm on Monday 22 March.**  
**Interviews: Wed 30 March.**

**Yorkshire Sculpture Park  
Head of Learning****Salary: £33K - £35K + Benefits**

The Head of Learning will be responsible for the strategic vision and development of YSP as an integrated world-class hub for learning. You will lead on developing ambitious learning programmes to meet the demands of YSP, drawing on its unique heritage, context and projects.

We are looking for someone who is innovative, creative and energetic. You will have strong management skills and significant experience of leading on a wide range of learning and engagement research and activity for diverse and broad audiences.



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## Arts Council England Acceptance in Lieu Panel Member

**Vountary role (UK expenses reimbursed)  
Time commitment: up to 15 days a year**

The Acceptance in Lieu (AIL) Panel, which has a UK-wide remit, makes recommendations on items offered under the Acceptance in Lieu and Cultural Gifts Schemes. It also advises HM Revenue & Customs on cultural objects for which a claim for Conditional Exemption is made.

As a member of the AIL Panel you will play an important role in enhancing public collections around the country; you will be part of a process that brings fantastic objects into public ownership so that they can be enjoyed now and by future generations.

**Find out more:**

[isw.changeworknow.co.uk/arts\\_council\\_england/vms/e/careers/positions/cJH2TtoFPpxPnNUPqV8mXW](https://www.isw.changeworknow.co.uk/arts_council_england/vms/e/careers/positions/cJH2TtoFPpxPnNUPqV8mXW).

**Closing date: 12.00pm on Monday 5 April.**

## Your Development

### Association for Cultural Enterprises Front of House Toolkit

**11 and 16 March**

A one stop shop for front line staff and supervisors on how to deliver best-practice customer service. Includes two half day workshops plus exclusive video content packed with expert advice.

- **Workshop 1: Crowd Management**  
11 March, 10.00am - 12.30pm
- **Workshop 2: Dealing with Conflict**  
16 March, 10.00am - 12.30pm

**Find out more and book at:** [culturalenterprises.org.uk/whats-on](https://culturalenterprises.org.uk/whats-on).

## Funding Opportunities

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The Government has set up a £150M fund to help community groups buy buildings and land that are important to communities.

The headlines have put the emphasis on community pubs but this can be for any community building or sports facility. Groups can bid for up to £250,000 matched funding towards the assets or facilities.

**The first bidding round for the Fund will open by June 2021.**

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-ownership-fund/community-ownership-fund](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-ownership-fund/community-ownership-fund).

## Windrush Day Grant Scheme

### Grants between £2,500 - £25,000

The Windrush Day Grant Scheme will support groups to commemorate, celebrate and educate people about the contribution of the Windrush Generation in communities across our country. This programme will support people of all ages and backgrounds to embrace our shared history and help champion a sense of pride of the contributions made by British Caribbean communities.

**Find out more:**

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/2021-windrush-day-grant-scheme/2021-windrush-day-grant-scheme-guidance-for-applicants](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/2021-windrush-day-grant-scheme/2021-windrush-day-grant-scheme-guidance-for-applicants).

**Next deadline: 30 June.**

**And Relax...!**

## Alice Recommends...

It's the first week of meteorological spring and snowdrops, crocuses, and daffodils have been brightening up our parks and gardens. I've been looking forward to the warmer months ahead and this online jigsaw puzzle from Barnsley Museums made me almost feel like it was July. The photo 'Red Admiral on Buddleja' was highly commended in their Beautiful Barnsley photography competition. Can you beat my time of 6:56?

[www.jigsawplanet.com/?rc=play&pid=1614852bbd90](https://www.jigsawplanet.com/?rc=play&pid=1614852bbd90).

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## Previously...

### In case you missed it...

Just in case you missed them first time round, we're listing below snippets of some of the articles published in previous ebulletins that we think you might still find useful:

#### Covid-19 Response - Spring 2021

- **Prime Minister's roadmap out of the current lockdown for England:**  
[www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021)
- **Further guidance published on 24 February:**  
[www.gov.uk/government/publications/reopening-businesses-and-venues-in-england](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reopening-businesses-and-venues-in-england),

#### Covid-19 Updates on MDY Website

[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/category/covid-19](https://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/category/covid-19).

#### Other Reopening Resources and Guidance:

- **Guidance for Archives - Planning Your Reopening:**  
[www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archives-sector/our-archives-sector-role/coronavirus-update](https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archives-sector/our-archives-sector-role/coronavirus-update).
- **Updated DCMS Guidance on Volunteering:**  
[www.gov.uk/guidance/enabling-safe-and-effective-volunteering-during-coronavirus-covid-19](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/enabling-safe-and-effective-volunteering-during-coronavirus-covid-19).
- **Culture Restart Kit from Indigo**  
[www.indigo-ltd.com/culture-restart-toolkit](https://www.indigo-ltd.com/culture-restart-toolkit).

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[www.museumdetox.org](http://www.museumdetox.org).

- **Museum and Heritage Access Survey 2020 Report**  
[vocaley.es.co.uk/museum-and-heritage-access-survey-2020](http://vocaley.es.co.uk/museum-and-heritage-access-survey-2020).
- **Museum Wellness Network:**  
**supporting staff wellbeing post-lockdown:**  
[www.museumsassociation.org/museum-practice/08062020-supporting-museum-workforce-wellbeing-post-lockdown](http://www.museumsassociation.org/museum-practice/08062020-supporting-museum-workforce-wellbeing-post-lockdown).
- **Online Abuse - A Toolkit for the Sector**  
[www.thespace.org/resource/online-abuse-toolkit-cultural-sector](http://www.thespace.org/resource/online-abuse-toolkit-cultural-sector).

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**Please send items for the next MDY Bulletin**

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**by 5.00pm on Wednesday 10 March.**

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