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## Latest news for week ending Friday 28 January 2022

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Dear <<First Name>>

Welcome to the latest MDY bulletin. The days are starting to get noticeably longer and as I write the sun is shining with the first smells of spring in the air. I hope you are taking time to think about what support you might want from MDY in the next year - we would love to be able to work with you to help you move your museum forward by giving some external perspective and expertise either from a member of the team or one of our external consultants.

As we think about warmer days, booking is open for both [AIM Conference](#) in Port Sunlight in June and [MA Conference](#) in November. MDY are sponsoring places again at both (look out for details of the AIM places next edition).

While you have your diaries out, the dates for the next round of [face to face forums](#) are out, please do book a place to avoid disappointment.

There are a couple of great [Elevenses coming up](#) on Accreditation and the Front of House Charter for Change - please pass these on to colleagues who may be interested. There is also a [3-part in depth training course](#) to help you develop as a manager of volunteers.

Remember, if there is anything you would like to see in our Elevenses slot or if you have something you would like to share with the region do [contact one of the MDY team](#).

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## News and Notices

### Museum Development Yorkshire Support Opportunities for 2022-2023

The guidance notes for this year's support opportunities and links to the application form are available now at:

[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/2022-23-MDY-Guidance](http://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/2022-23-MDY-Guidance).

Although there will be opportunities to take part in workshops, grants, events and learning cohorts throughout the year, this application round is the main way of securing in-depth mentoring, coaching or consultancy support from MDY.

**The deadline for applications is 11.59pm on 27 February.**

### We Need Your Help

#### Do you have a CRM (customer relationship management) system?

MDY are beginning the process of specifying a system and are interested in your experiences good and bad.

Please contact Michael Turnpenny [Michael.Turnpenny@ymt.org.uk](mailto:Michael.Turnpenny@ymt.org.uk) or Alan Bentley [alan.bentley@ymt.org.uk](mailto:alan.bentley@ymt.org.uk) for a confidential conversation.

### AIM National Conference 2022 – Save the Date

#### Port Sunlight Village 16 – 17 June

The conference theme of 'Making it happen' will see colleagues from across the UK explore the vision for independent museums as we recover from the challenges of the pandemic. As well as presentations full of useful advice and discussion, there will be strategic updates from governments and funders, and social events.

**MDY are offering two fully funded tickets for the conference, including travel and accommodation. Keep your eye on the E-Bulletin to find out how to**

Find out more about the conference:

[aim-museums.co.uk/aim-national-conference-2022](https://aim-museums.co.uk/aim-national-conference-2022).

## The Inaugural Sporting Heritage Awards

### Now open for nominations!

Open to individuals and organisations working with sporting heritage collections or delivering sporting heritage activity, the Awards will celebrate and share the excellent practice taking place across the sector, recognise key organisations and individuals developing sporting heritage activity, and bring to light new heritage and ignored heritage.



Award categories include:

- Sports Club and National Governing Body Sporting Heritage Award
- Museums/Archives Sporting Heritage Award
- Schools Sporting Heritage Award
- Community Sporting Heritage Award
- Celebrating Sporting Heritage Diversity Award
- Recognising Sporting Heritage Volunteer/s Award
- Sporting Heritage Research Award
- Sporting Heritage Moment/Event of the Year

**For further information and details about how to nominate, please visit:**

[www.sportingheritage.org.uk/awards](https://www.sportingheritage.org.uk/awards).

**Deadline for nominations: 18 March.**

**There will also be a free awards night in Leeds on 28 April.**

## Yorkshire & Humber Climate Action Plan

This document might be helpful if you're advocating for action on the climate crisis by your organisation. Published in November 2021, it identifies key calls to action by the Yorkshire & Humber Climate Commission. It addresses both the move to net zero carbon and adaptations to increase our resilience to the known impacts of climate change, such as flooding and drought.



As the Plan notes on page 17, 'our response to climate change needs to be something that's done by us, and for us, rather than to us.'

**See what ideas you can gain, or how you might link to regional strategies and key agents for change:** [yorksandhumberclimate.org.uk/climate-action-plan](https://yorksandhumberclimate.org.uk/climate-action-plan).

## Conference Chairs Free to a good home

The National Railway Museum has conference and eventing chairs available to give away to a good home. There are 228 chairs in total, in very good condition but no longer needed.

The chairs are free and need to be collected from the National Railway Museum, York.

**For more information, please contact: Robert Sewell, Group Contracts Catering Manager, [Robert.Sewell@ScienceMuseum.ac.uk](mailto:Robert.Sewell@ScienceMuseum.ac.uk), Tel: 020 7942 4102 / 0758 090 6006.**



## Impact and Insight

### Develop your museum's evaluation practice

MDY is offering **5 FREE places** on a new programme to develop your museum's approach to evaluating your public programme outputs, such as exhibitions and events.

Starting in March 2022, Impact and Insight, offers the opportunity to trial an online, 360-degree evaluation platform, which is supported by Arts Council England.

Participating museums will deepen their understanding of the quality of their exhibitions and events, and will develop their overall approach to evaluation. You will join an online national cohort of museums, all testing the toolkit for the first time, and will receive a structure of support and a named contact for technical support.

*This opportunity is only open to Accredited museums which do not receive Arts Council England NPO funding.*

**Find out more:**

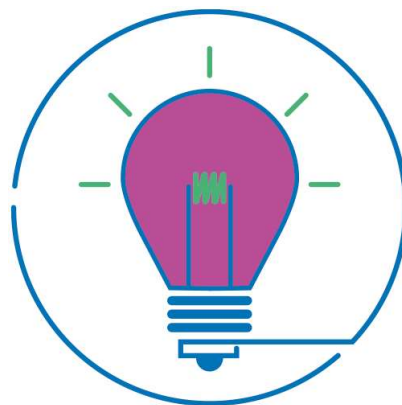
[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/impact-insight](http://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/impact-insight).

[Click here to submit an expression of interest.](#)

**Deadline: Monday 14 February.**

**Read more about the Impact and Insight platform here:**

[impactandinsight.co.uk/about](http://impactandinsight.co.uk/about).



## Elevenesses with MDT in 2022

### Tue 1 February Preparing your Accreditation Return

Are you putting off tackling your museum's Accreditation Return? Or is it something you've found a struggle in the past? Join us with Kelly Chapman for some advice on best approaches to taking control of your Accreditation Return. This session is equally suited to those whose museum is due to be called for Accreditation, or those who feel it is comfortably distant ...

### Tue 8 February Front of House Charter for Change

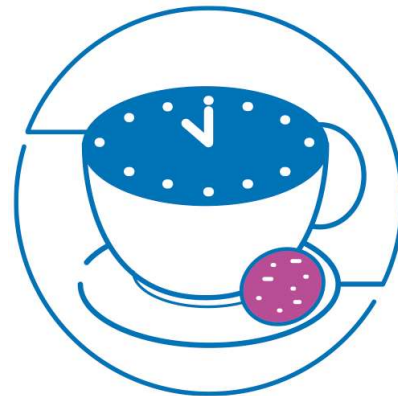
We all rely deeply on our front-of-house teams, and the pandemic has emphasised this more than ever. Join us with Abi Godfrey, co-founder of FoHMuseums to find out more about how we can support people through the FoH Charter for Change – why we need it, and how it can enable you to develop best practice with and for your FoH team.



**Check the full Elevenesses schedule and find joining links at:**

[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/  
event-category/elevenses-with-mdy](http://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/elevenses-with-mdy).

**If there is a topic you'd like to talk about or hear about at Elevenesses, or even a speaker you'd like to hear from, please let us know at:**  
[joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk](mailto:joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk).



## Outloud LGBTQ+ Salon

**2 February, 7.00pm  
Online**

*'Every tattoo on every person captures a unique, pinpointable moment, a decision to carry a creative choice with them for the rest of their lives. The story of a person's tattoos is the story of their culture, their meaningful symbols, their past... And on the other side of the needle is the artist sharing that moment with them; each tattoo they give forms part of a collection of people with whom they are forever bonded.'*

Join OutLoud as we speak to trans tattoo sensation Billy Slicks of Tits4Tats, the artist who ingeniously and beautifully combined bespoke tattoos and trans mutual aid, to discover what those early tattoos tell us about their story.

**Find out more and book a place: [www.eventbrite.com/e/172115852147](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/172115852147).**

## Museums Association Members' Meeting, England: North

**10 February, 2.00pm - 5.00pm  
Online**

Members' meetings are a brilliant opportunity to learn about the MA's policy aims, to find out how we can support you in your personal development and to network with members in your area. This event will include:

- Keynote from our president Gillian Findlay
- Details of our policy and advocacy work, including our Museums Change Lives campaign
- An interactive session on decolonising museums
- A session on how we can support your professional development with initiatives such as the Associateship of the Museums Association
- A panel discussion on how museums are helping to tackle the climate crisis.

**Find out more and book a place:**

[www.museumsassociation.org/events/members-meeting-england-north](http://www.museumsassociation.org/events/members-meeting-england-north).

### What's On in Your Region?

## Magazine Collections FREE to a Good Home

Burton Constable is looking to rationalise its reference library as part of an ongoing project that sees its previous location repurposed for improved collections storage and visitor engagement. We are therefore able to offer a number of magazine collections to any interested organisations, with titles including *The World of Interiors*, *The Royal Academy Of Arts Magazine*, *Country Life* (1962-2007 with a few small gaps) and *Historic House Magazine*.

**For a full list of titles and the periods covered, please contact**

[philippawood@burtonconstable.com](mailto:philippawood@burtonconstable.com).

## We Want to Hear From You!

If you have an exhibition, event or some special news do get in touch. We're interested and would love to tell everyone in the region too!

**Email:** [mdy-bulletin@ymt.org.uk](mailto:mdy-bulletin@ymt.org.uk).

### Dates for Your Diary

## Thu 17 February Christmas Events Debrief

Join us as we catch up with museums who hosted Christmas events to hear how things went, and how they will go about preparing for this year's Christmas event. Too early to start talking about next Christmas – or almost too late?! Come and find out.



**Check the full Elevenses schedule and find joining links at:**

[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/elevenses-with-mdy](http://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/elevenses-with-mdy).

**If there is a topic you'd like to talk about or hear about at Elevenses, or even a speaker you'd like to hear from, please let us know at:**

[joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk](mailto:joanne.bartholomew@ymt.org.uk).

## Volunteer Management Development

**Thu 3 March, Thu 17 March, Thu 24 March  
9.30am - 1.00pm, Online via Zoom**

This series of three, online webinars will help museums to develop knowledge and skills in volunteer recruitment, volunteer management and retention, and volunteer strategy development.

Participants will gain or refresh skills and knowledge in designing attractive and diverse volunteer roles, different approaches to recruitment, planning for volunteer recruitment and measuring success, reflective practice to support sustainable volunteer retention, and volunteer strategy development linked to organisational values, vision and goals.

These sessions are most suited to museums that are open to exploring changes in the ways that they involve volunteers, wanting to embed inclusive practice in their volunteering, and keen to review and develop their volunteering strategy.

Ideally, participants will be able to commit to attending all 3 sessions to obtain maximum benefit.

The sessions are aimed at all Accredited museums and those working towards Accreditation in Yorkshire and the Humber. Participants will also join from other Museum Development regions.

All training will be online via Zoom. Sessions will be delivered by two trainers who are highly experienced in volunteer development.

**Please book for all 3 sessions at: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/volunteer-management-development-tickets-251142382627](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/volunteer-management-development-tickets-251142382627).**

## Collections Documentation Inventory

**24 March, 2.00pm - 4.00pm  
Online**



This session will explore the planning and documentation involved in an Inventory project, using the Spectrum 5.0 Inventory procedure as a framework.

What should your policy say about Inventory?  
What information do you need to meet the requirements for the Inventory procedure?  
How can you create a plan to address backlogs? How can you fill in your information gaps?

There will be opportunities to discuss with colleagues, ask questions throughout and send questions in advance. By the end of the session, delegates will:

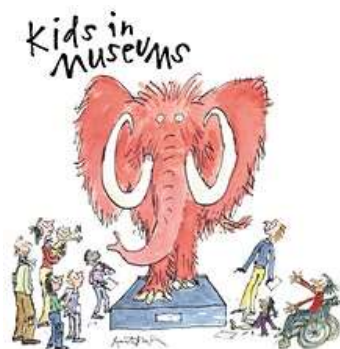
- Understand the role of the Spectrum standard, and its supporting guidance, in relation to museum Accreditation
- Understand the Spectrum requirements for the Inventory procedure
- Understand policy related to Inventory
- Know how to plan to address a backlog
- Know where to find more information and guidance.

**Book a place at: [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/collections-documentation-inventory-tickets-227734970427](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/collections-documentation-inventory-tickets-227734970427).**

## Kids in Museums

### Programme dates for 2022

- **Tuesday 22 March:** Nominations open for the Family Friendly Museum Award 2022. Updated Kids in Museums Manifesto launches.
- **Friday 1 July:** Digital Takeover Day
- **Friday 18 November:** Takeover Day



**The theme for this year's Takeover Day events is wellbeing, find out more at: [bit.ly/KIMDates2022](http://bit.ly/KIMDates2022).**

Booking is also now open for our upcoming online training courses:

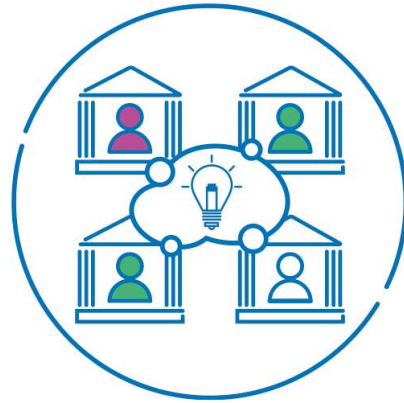
- **2 February:** Encouraging intergenerational interactions with families and young people
- **8 February:** Encouraging intergenerational interactions with families and young people (For museums in Wales)
- **1 March:** Working meaningfully with young people
- **10 March:** Welcoming families with special educational needs and disabilities

**Find out more and book your place: [bit.ly/KiMTraining](http://bit.ly/KiMTraining).**



## Come to a Regional Museum Forum in 2022!

We hope to see many of you in February and March for our first round of museum forums. We'll be watching Covid guidance closely until then and, as ever, we'll adhere closely to Covid-safe practices when allowed to meet.



Our aim for museum forums in 2022 is to create 'a professional day out': a chance to catch up with your museum colleagues in the region, visit an interesting venue, get the most out of being at a site, hear some interesting case studies – and really enjoy being out, in a different museum, with different colleagues!

Forums usually start with tea and coffee from 10.00am and introductions from 10.30am. A delicious, complimentary lunch is provided – currently pre-wrapped in individual portions - followed by afternoon refreshments. Meetings usually finish around 3.30pm - 4.00pm.

Every forum will involve a chance to view and discuss at least one aspect of the host site, hear short case studies from different speakers, and share brief updates with colleagues.

Whilst we hope there's something in the day's agenda that appeals to you, we often find that it's the unexpected and spontaneous conversations that spark most ideas and opportunities! So, join us for a refreshing, professional day out and see what fresh thinking you can gain.

All 2022 dates will be confirmed and available to book in January. The meeting themes and further details will be posted on the booking page closer to the meeting date - including when our Regional Accreditation Adviser, Kelly Chapman, will attend a forum in your part of the region.

### Dates for your 2022 diary are:

#### **Wed 2 March - East Riding and North Lincolnshire (rescheduled date)**

North Lincolnshire Museum

#### **Thu 10 March - West Yorkshire**

Tolson Museum, Huddersfield

#### **Mon 21 March - South Yorkshire**

Danum Gallery, Library and Museum

#### **Thu 31 March - North Yorkshire**

Kiplin Hall and Gardens, near Richmond

### Find out more at:

[www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/regional-forum-meetings](http://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/event-category/regional-forum-meetings).

### **3 - 5 November 2022**

## **Edinburgh International Conference Centre**

With hope growing that the worst of the global pandemic is over, this year's conference explores how museums can create better places to live and work in a post-Covid world. To do this, museums need to tackle a number of crucial issues, including the climate crisis, inequalities and racism, the legacy of empire, and wellbeing.

Conference sessions will cover:

- How museums can become more sustainable organisations and use their collections, buildings and knowledge to support communities to make positive environmental changes
- What systemic racism is; what an anti-racism museum looks like and what changes we need to create inclusive organisations
- Wellbeing and how museums can support workforce wellbeing and work with their communities to recover from the pandemic
- The legacy of empire and slavery, including how can we empower communities to help decolonise our museums in a dynamic, collaborative and inclusive way.

[www.museumsassociation.org/events/conference-2022](http://www.museumsassociation.org/events/conference-2022).

## **Your Wellbeing**

### **Winter Walks and Snug with the Radio**

Why not wrap up warm and head outdoors - not only for exercise but to lift your spirits? Many studies have shown that time in nature can have a very positive effect on your wellbeing. If you need some inspiration (or want to start your journey from the armchair) have a look at [BBC Four - Winter Walks](#).

For those who prefer a more urban stroll [modernmooch.com](http://modernmooch.com) is a great inspiration and has many walks from the region – in some of the most surprising places!

When you get back from your walk, make yourself a mug of hot chocolate and listen to [BBC Radio 4's Plum House](#), a very well observed programme about running a museum. It has a great cast and some worryingly familiar characters...

## **Job Opportunities and Volunteering**

### **Museum Development Yorkshire Intern**

**Salary range: £17,190 to £18,328 pa pro rata (YMT Grade 1); part time, fixed term (18 mths), 22.2 hrs pw, worked flexibly**

Museum Development Yorkshire (MDY) is offering part-time 18 month paid internship to enable the successful applicant to develop the skills needed to work within the museum or cultural sector. You will primarily support the delivery of the MDY programme through the provision of administrative, logistical and communications assistance.

**Your new organisation:**

Museum Development Yorkshire is part of York Museums Trust and funded by Arts Council England. Our vision is for museums of Yorkshire and the Humber to be secure, accessible and sustainable homes for their collections and of value to the diverse communities they serve. Museums will develop excellence, be ambitious, resilient and deliver quality in all that they do.

**Access the Job Description, Equal Opportunities Form and other information about YMT at [www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk](http://www.yorkmuseumstrust.org.uk) on the About Us, Jobs Vacancies page.**

## Epworth Old Rectory

### Strategic Manager

**£32K pro rata (£12,106, 14 hrs pw)**

With experience in strategic management in the culture, public or voluntary sector, you will provide overall direction and management of Epworth Old Rectory, enthusing staff and volunteers in its vision and developing its strategy to fulfil its aims and ambitions.

### Visits and Collections Manager

**£26K pro rata (£17,563, 25 hrs pw)**

With experience in management of museum collections and public engagement through a range of media, you will be responsible for the visitor experience on site and online, collections care, audience development and volunteer management for Epworth Old Rectory.

**Find out more at: [epwortholdrectory.org.uk/epworth-old-rectory-old/support/volunteering](http://epwortholdrectory.org.uk/epworth-old-rectory-old/support/volunteering).**

**Deadline: 31 January.**

## Bradford Museums and Galleries Collections Manager

**Salary: £35,745 - £38,890**

**Maternity cover (March 2022 until January 2023)**

This is a key role, a member of the Management Team and an important strategic

experience of Accreditation and up to date good collections management practice, with core management competencies.

**Find out more:**

[bradford.engageats.co.uk/Vacancies/W/3929/0/330475/15138/collections-manager-maternity-cover-422266](https://bradford.engageats.co.uk/Vacancies/W/3929/0/330475/15138/collections-manager-maternity-cover-422266).

**Deadline: 1 February.**

## York Archaeological Trust Visitor Operations Manager

**Salary: £26,500**

An exciting opportunity has arisen to join our experienced team. We are looking for an enthusiastic and dedicated individual who will be responsible predominantly for our walls attractions, however this position will also include management cover at some of our other sites.

**Find out more at:**

[www.jorvikvikingcentre.co.uk/get-involved/jobs/attraction-vacancies](http://www.jorvikvikingcentre.co.uk/get-involved/jobs/attraction-vacancies).

**Deadline: 9.00am on 3 February.**

## Churches Conservation Trust Freelance Learning Delivery (North Region)

**Fees: Full Day £200; Half Day £100; Travel costs covered  
Casual, February-March 2022 (possible further opportunities)**

We are looking for freelancers to deliver a range of inclusive and unique, face-to-face learning activities in CCT churches and/or classrooms. You will deliver learning activities, predominantly to primary age school children (inc. EYFS), in CCT churches and/or classrooms. Some family learning delivery may also be required. These activities will be pre-planned and resources are provided.

**Find out more:**

[www.visitchurches.org.uk/get-involved/working-at-the-trust/vacancies/freelance-learning-delivery](http://www.visitchurches.org.uk/get-involved/working-at-the-trust/vacancies/freelance-learning-delivery).

**Closing date: 3 February.**

## Hull Museums: 2 Posts

We are looking for an aspiring Community Curator to connect Ferens Art Gallery's collection to local communities in Hull and East Riding. You will work with the team to create programming at the Ferens and in the wider community that explores narratives not explored before within the walls of the gallery.

[www.hullcc.gov.uk/jobs/hcandl/museums-community-curator-art/27698.job](http://www.hullcc.gov.uk/jobs/hcandl/museums-community-curator-art/27698.job).

**Closing date: 6 February.**

### **Community Curator - World Cultures** **Salary: £23,080 - £25,481**

We are looking for an aspiring Community Curator to connect our world cultures and slavery collections to local communities in Hull and East Riding. You will facilitate community research alongside our national and international partners. You will work with the team and partners to create programming and new displays at Wilberforce House Museum and in the wider community that explore new narratives and perspectives not previously explored within the walls of the museum.

[www.hullcc.gov.uk/jobs/hcandl/hcandl/museums-community-curator-world-cultures/27697.job](http://www.hullcc.gov.uk/jobs/hcandl/hcandl/museums-community-curator-world-cultures/27697.job).

**Closing date: 11 February.**

### **Arts&Heritage** **Director of Projects**

**Salary: £40K pro rata**  
**4 days pw, home based**

You will work closely with our highly creative team of curators and producers, complementing the skills of both the Director of Programmes and the Executive Director. This is a post for an outstanding individual who wants to join a friendly, creative team delivering cultural projects of national significance.

**Find out more at:** [www.artsandheritage.org.uk/2021/12/15/job-opportunity-director-of-projects](http://www.artsandheritage.org.uk/2021/12/15/job-opportunity-director-of-projects)

**Deadline: 5.00pm on Friday 11 February.**

**Interviews: w/c 21 February.**

### **Nidderdale Museum** **Freelance Project Officer**

**Budget: £13,200 (to cover 2 days pw over 48 wks from 1**

Nidderdale Museum, which houses a large collection of artefacts, photos, costumes and documents relating to life in the local area over the past 200 years, has over 32,000 entries in its collections database. It is entirely volunteer-run, but has recently started an NLHF-funded resilience project and is seeking a Project Officer to complete the project. The main areas are:

- working towards re-accreditation with The Arts Council, based on the Spectrum standards
- developing a business plan and digital strategy
- scoping a new collections database
- recruiting and training a wide range of volunteers.

[Download the Word document to find out more](#) or contact Chairman, Sue Welch via [admin@nidderdalemuseum.com](mailto:admin@nidderdalemuseum.com).

**Deadline: 5.00pm on 10 February.**

## **Nidderdale Museum Trainee Placement**

**Salary: £10 ph. Fixed term (12 mths from 1 April 2022)  
2 days pw (15 hrs)**

Nidderdale Museum is offering an exciting opportunity for a Trainee Placement position for a person seeking to gain experience at the start of their museums career to assist the Project Officer and Trustees in carrying out a project funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

You will need to have some experience / knowledge of the industry and be self-motivated and enthusiastic to ensure that both the Museum and yourself benefit from this opportunity. Training opportunities will be offered, including regular on-line sessions via Museum Development Yorkshire.

[Download the Word document to find out more](#) or contact Chairman, Sue Welch via [admin@nidderdalemuseum.com](mailto:admin@nidderdalemuseum.com).

**Deadline: 5.00pm on 10 February.**

## **Tullie House: 2 vacancies**

### **Development Coordinator**

**Salary: £22,086 to £23,478 (pro rata)**

**Part-time 24 hrs pw (potential to increase subject to funding)**

Are you dynamic, self-motivated and a great communicator with a passion for culture? Do you like working with people and would you be motivated by supporting those who support us? We are looking to recruit to a key position to help us establish strong and meaningful relationships with our Patrons, raise our income and deliver high quality

**Deadline: 9.00am on 10 February.**

### **Executive Assistant**

**Salary: £22,086 - £23,478 pro rata (up to 30 hrs pw)**

Are you a great communicator with a can-do attitude, who possesses great attention to detail, and can multi-task? We are looking to recruit to a pivotal role in support of the Director and the Trust Board. We require a good planner and coordinator who can assist the Board and Senior Leadership Team and work across the organisation managing meetings, events, and complex diaries.

**Deadline: 5.00pm on Thursday 17 February.**

**Find out more: [www.tulliehouse.co.uk/vacancies](http://www.tulliehouse.co.uk/vacancies).**

## Your Development

### **How to Be a Great Manager and Team Leader 2 New Online Training Courses**

This March join coaches Isabel Mortimer and Claire Antrobus for two new one-day courses looking at how we can use coaching skills to improve performance and motivation when managing people and teams.

- **How to be a great manager, 9.30am - 4.30am, 10 March**
- **How to be a great team leader, 9.30am - 4.30pm, 31 March**

These courses are highly interactive and practical and guaranteed to help you feel better-placed to manage individuals and teams.

**Cost: £105 early bird/ £125 standard.**

**Book a place at:**

**[www.claireantrobus.com/how-to-be-a-great-manager-and-team-leader](http://www.claireantrobus.com/how-to-be-a-great-manager-and-team-leader).**

## Funding Opportunities

### **'Help to Grow' Digital Scheme**

#### **Now open for applications**

This is a government scheme, designed to support smaller businesses in adopting digital technologies so they can grow. Eligible businesses can now receive discounts of up to £5,000 off the retail price of approved Digital Accounting and CRM software from technology suppliers. This software will help them to effectively manage their finances

Find out more: [helptogrow.campaign.gov.uk](https://helptogrow.campaign.gov.uk).

## And Relax...!

### Alice's Nature Notes

This bullfinch flew into our kitchen window on Tuesday morning and knocked himself out. We put him in a cardboard box on a bed of dusters to convalesce, and after about an hour he felt much better and happily flew away back into the garden. It was amazing to be able to see the beautiful bright plumage up close!



## 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:

#### New Covid Secure Reopening Advice from MDY

##### Briefing sheets:

- [www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/2021/04/22/new-mdy-covid-secure-reopening-guidance](https://www.museumdevelopmentyorkshire.org.uk/2021/04/22/new-mdy-covid-secure-reopening-guidance).

##### Other Reopening Resources and Guidance:

- **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).
- **Working Safely During Coronavirus - Government Advice**  
[www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/the-visitor-economy](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/the-visitor-economy).



[practice-guidelines-opening-museums.](#)

- **AIM and Museum Development Network 'Reopening Checklist'**  
[www.aim-museums.co.uk/museum-reopening-guidance-checklist](http://www.aim-museums.co.uk/museum-reopening-guidance-checklist).
- **EMBED – Reopening Recommendation Guidance focused on Accessibility**  
[embed.org.uk/covid-19-reopening](http://embed.org.uk/covid-19-reopening).
- **Space for Learning - New Guidance for Learning Services**  
[spaceforlearning.org.uk/covid-guidance](http://spaceforlearning.org.uk/covid-guidance).
- **Timed Ticketing - Quick Guide**  
[Download a PDF copy of the guide](#).

#### Other Previous Articles:

- **Mental Health - Directory of Online Courses**  
[www.futurelearn.com/courses/collections/support-mental-health-in-lockdown](http://www.futurelearn.com/courses/collections/support-mental-health-in-lockdown)
- **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).

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