

# SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

## JULY/ AUGUST 2022

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## SRO DIARY DATES

### JULY

**5 Cornwall Independent Poverty  
Forum meeting & AGM, Zoom, 2pm,  
Email Rosey to book.**

**5 Growing Links Community Garden,  
Gulval, Penzance, 3pm, [book here](#).**

**5 Food supplies for community food  
projects webinar, 4pm, sign up [here](#).**

**14 How can your supermarket help  
you? webinar, 11am - 12.30pm,  
register [here](#).**

**14 Mobile affordable food projects  
webinar, 4pm, Sign up [here](#).**

**20 Faith in Mental Health Network  
meeting, 2pm, Zoom.**

**21 Foodbank Discussion Group,  
2.30pm - 3pm. Contact **Andrew Yates**  
for more info.**

### AUGUST

**2 Cornwall Independent Poverty  
Forum meeting, Zoom, 2pm, Email  
Rosey to book.**

### SEPTEMBER

**6 Cornwall Independent Poverty  
Forum meeting, Zoom, 2pm, Email  
Rosey to book.**

**29 Transitioning from a food bank to  
an affordable food club, 4pm, sign up  
[here](#).**

### OCTOBER

**4 Voices within Poverty - Challenge  
Poverty Week, All Saints Highertown,  
Truro, 9am - 1pm, [register here](#).**

**25 - 27 ARC Rural Ministry course,  
King's Park Conference Centre,  
Northampton, £300, Email **Deb  
Soesan** to book.**

CALENDAR OF  
SPECIAL SUNDAYS &  
DAYS OF INTEREST 2022

## SPOTLIGHT ON .....

# HOMESHARE & SUPPORTMATCH

There are a number of initiatives trying to alleviate the current housing crisis. One of these is called Home Share: Supportmatch.

Supportmatch is a non-profit organisation with over ten years of experience in matching people who need support and with those who need affordable housing. They have matched hundreds of individuals under the Homeshare programme. The programme helps householders remain independent for longer at home and gives access to affordable housing.

Churches have been identified as one

of the groups who may have links with people for whom the Homeshare scheme might be an attractive proposition.

People who may be interested in applying in becoming a **householder** or **homesharer** can use the links below taking them directly to a five-minute application form. There is also a link taking them to the home page of the Supportmatch **website**.

If you would like copies of leaflets for advertising this scheme please contact [Rosey.Sanders@truro.anglican.org](mailto:Rosey.Sanders@truro.anglican.org)

## SAFE CAR WASH APP HIGHLIGHTS EXPLOITATION

The Clewer Initiative is urging the nation's 33 million car drivers to download the Safe Car Wash App and play their part in eradicating modern slavery and exploitation from hand car washes around the country.

The newly improved app is at the forefront of tackling modern slavery and exploitation in the hand car wash sector, and is providing statutory organisations with crucial data to help identify and shut down exploitative businesses. A key improvement to the app gives users the power to automatically report concerns to the Modern Slavery Helpline at the touch of a button.

While labour exploitation can be present in businesses of all types and sizes, the hand car wash sector has consistently been identified as an industry where workers are at risk. In some car washes, staff are under-age, live onsite in poor conditions, are paid very low wages, have little or no personal protective equipment, and face a variety of other

unsafe, unfair, and controlling practices on a daily basis.

The app enables anyone who uses hand car washes to take part in a UK wide community intelligence gathering exercise. It helps collect information on the location of individual hand car washes and the working conditions at each. This intelligence is vital in building a clear picture of the hand car wash sector - how many there are, where they are, when new ones pop up and where there is the most likely risk of modern slavery. Since its launch, there have been 7,800 reports submitted and alarmingly a third have reached a threshold of concern indicating potential labour exploitation.

The Safe Car Wash App update has been developed and funded by The Clewer Initiative. It is being supported and promoted by the National Crime Agency, the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA), the Responsible Car Wash Scheme and the Car Wash Association.

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# SREBRENICA MEMORIAL WEEK

This year's Srebrenica Memorial Week will take place between July 4 - 11.

The aim is to commemorate the genocide in Bosnia in which 8,000 Bosnian Muslim men and boys were murdered at Srebrenica in 1995, simply because of their Muslim identity.

The 2022 theme is 'Combatting Denial: Confronting Hatred'. Despite the unequivocal fact that genocide was committed, denial of the Srebrenica genocide as well as the crimes against humanity committed

across Bosnia and Herzegovina between 1992 to 1995 remains prevalent. Denial brings not only more pain and suffering for the survivors but serves as a rallying call to continue the division and hatred as well as to glorify the murderers.

You can read more about the theme on our website [here](#).

THERE is a range of resources available to support your act of commemoration, including speeches and interfaith prayers which can be found [here](#).

## REFUGEE SUPPORT

Cornwall Community Foundation (CCF) have been given a pot of seed funding by Cornwall Council, which they are hoping to match through fundraising. This money is to be used to help local groups run activities, meet ups, drop ins, classes, training etc for refugees and sponsors. CCF are also offering practical support in helping new groups become constituted, with all the relevant infrastructure and policies etc you would need. They would like to know what you are already doing, what you might need funding for, and any ways they can help you become more established. We would be grateful if you would complete this [survey](#) to gain this information.

## UKRAINE RESPONSE

CN4C is holding weekly meet-ups for Ukrainian refugees, to help them integrate into the local community.



These will take place at The Bank (7-9 High Cross), St Austell, on Tuesdays from 1.30-3.30pm.

Pre-paid SIM cards are available, as well as staff able to provide advice and support.

Call 01209 310 621 for more information, or see the [Facebook post](#).

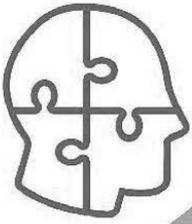
## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Every week Cornwall VSF creates a list of the upcoming funding opportunities for those in the sector. To access the member resources pages, register a free profile [here](#).

**Grants for Groups and Hardship Grants for Individuals in Need**



**TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL FOOD BANK UPDATE**



**WEDNESDAY**  
Weds 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
at 2:00PM-3:30PM

**FAITH & MENTAL HEALTH NETWORK**

The Faith & Mental Health Network meets online each two months with a brief overview from a guest speaker.

For our 20<sup>th</sup> July meeting the focus is on de-escalation techniques for diffusing situations where those with mental health issues present as noisy, aggressive or potentially violent. This could be in a Church service context or in the community café or someone just dropping in for help. The network session will be led by Andy Earl, Assistant Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor

The Network welcomes pastoral visitors, clergy, chaplains, mental health practitioners, community volunteers, in fact, anyone who is supporting people who are struggling with mental health issues. The network is a mutually supportive group of people and offers a safe space to explore issues, share information, resources and best practice; relating faith to mental health and offering insights to help us help those we are standing alongside.

Register in advance [HERE](#) for this meeting



# TACKLING CLIMATE CRISIS & COST OF LIVING IN TANDEM

By Hannah Eves, A Rocha UK's researcher

While oil companies rake in record profits of over £100bn, average energy bills in the UK, per household, are expected to rise by £1,500 this year.

The financial impact on the poor and vulnerable will be crippling, and the

number of those in the UK in fuel poverty will double to an estimated 12 million. This will have a ripple effect on the health, nutrition and wellbeing of people across the UK as they choose between eating or heating their homes. It is a huge injustice.

[READ THE FULL BLOG HERE](#)

## LONELINESS: THE LATER LIFE TOOLKIT

Loneliness for people in later life can be a real challenge on a daily basis. Many older people may become lonely due to the loss of a loved one or spouse, relocation to new settings or it may be due to having developed an illness or a disability.

person's mental and physical health. It is estimated that loneliness could increase the risk of death by 26 per cent. MentalHealth.org has produced a toolkit to support organisations in supporting people later in life.

[READ MORE HERE](#)

Whatever the circumstances loneliness can be detrimental to a

## JUSTICE: NEWSLETTER

South West Community Chaplaincy supports ex-offenders across the region including Cornwall.

Here is a link to their latest **newsletter** with interesting case study highlighting the importance of their work.

## MEAL PROVIDERS SOUGHT

Holiday program hot meal provision over the next three years is being sought. The duration is for around four weeks.

The areas need current provision: Camelford, Bodmin, Launceston, Liskeard and Wadebridge.

For more information contact Ellie. [Trebilcock@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:Trebilcock@cornwall.gov.uk) or call 07927591612.



### Summer Event

Helping Connect Communities in The Fight Against Food Poverty



Tuesday 5th July 3pm until 8pm - drop in any time

SSE Cornwall's summer event will be helping to connect communities in the fight against food poverty. In the colourful and inspiring setting of Growing Links CIC in Penzance we'll come together to share our passion for a more balanced and fairer world.

Come and join the buzz of activities, talks and workshops and tell us about what you are doing.

Our local SSE Cornwall Team will be there to take care of you and hear about any new ideas.

For more information and to book a free ticket scan the QR code.



## HOST FAMILY & UKRAINIAN GUEST DROP INS

EVERY THURSDAY  
@ SAMBELLS CAFE,  
TRURO METHODIST CHURCH,  
UNION PLACE, TRURO TR1 1EP  
10.30AM TO 7PM

Truro Methodist Church and Truro School have come together to support the Cornish community in helping Ukrainian refugees. If you are a host family, Ukrainian guest, or are interested in supporting Ukrainian refugees in Cornwall, please feel free to join us at these informal drop-in sessions at TMC, starting from 12/05/22 until further notice.

You will have the opportunity to chat with other families and share experiences around hosting and supporting Ukrainian families in Cornwall. There is no need to pre-book. Food and drink will be available in the Cafe and a Ukrainian speaker will be in attendance whenever possible.



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## CRISIS & CARE GRANTS

Cornwall Council's crisis awards are for those in emergency or disaster situations to help them and their families with immediate needs.

Care awards help vulnerable people to live as independently as possible



in their community. You can find out more [here](#).

## DUCHY HEALTH CHARITY

Duchy Health Charity exists to provide strategic and financial support for focused organisations to create effective health and wellbeing solutions for the people of Cornwall.

It offers grant funding, primarily to registered charities, to support projects and schemes that improve health, well-being, and the provision of health care in Cornwall.

In some circumstances it may consider supporting other not for profit community groups or social enterprises operating in Cornwall

In the case of an application being received from a not for profit group or social enterprise, the charity may request a written reference from an independent referee during the application process.

If you would like any further information or to discuss whether an application may be appropriate, please contact [info@duchyhealthcharity.org](mailto:info@duchyhealthcharity.org) or call 07884 56106.

Full details of the application process can be found on its [website](#).

## THE ANNETT CHARITABLE TRUST

A small number of grants are available to UK registered charities in the areas of healthcare, social welfare, medical research, the environment and children and young people, with a preference for supporting charities in the Southwest of England.

Requests for grant support may be made at any time in writing.

UK registered charities and

individuals, with a preference for charities providing services in the South West region are welcome to apply.

Contact J J Thring, DL, Chair of Trustees, The Annett Charitable Trust, Thrings LL, 2 Queen Square, Bath, BA1 2HQ.

Call 01225 340093 or email [nfox@thrings.com](mailto:nfox@thrings.com)

## TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL RESOURCES

Resources from a number of Transformation Cornwall's recent events and workshops are available on the website.

For more information and to watch the videos from the Meet the Funders events in May, [click here](#).

The information and resources from the Project Planning, Vision, Mission and Goals workshop are available [here](#).

### TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL<sup>+</sup>

Strengthening Faith Based Social Action in Cornwall

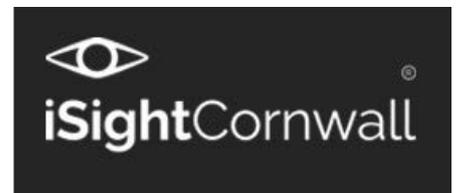
If anyone needs support with their project or start up or want to chat about an idea, contact Anne via email at [anne@transformation-cornwall.org.uk](mailto:anne@transformation-cornwall.org.uk)

## HOUSING ISSUES

Care Free Housing Initiative: Thank you to Michelle Collins from Independent Cornish Charity - For Young People by Young People ([carefreecornwall.org.uk](http://carefreecornwall.org.uk)) for sharing all about the new Carefree Housing initiative to support Young People leaving care. Anyone who would like to offer support can contact Michelle Collins at [michellecollins@carefreecornwall.org.uk](mailto:michellecollins@carefreecornwall.org.uk)

Housing Allocation: Cornwall Council's housing allocation system is being reviewed to make it fair and equitable for all. They are welcoming organisations to share example case studies of where the system has not supported people well and not always produced what we perceived to be that favourable solution. Although there will be extensive consultation later this year Sarah welcomes live case studies being sent through now to use as evidence base.

Please email Sarah.Thorneycroft at [Sarah.Thorneycroft@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.Thorneycroft@cornwall.gov.uk)



## ISIGHT CORNWALL

iSight Cornwall is looking for friendly, enthusiastic people to join their team of volunteer drivers and support visually impaired clients. Whether you can help out regularly or just every now and then, they'd love to hear from you! For more information visit: <https://isightcornwall.org.uk/volunteering/>

## MONEY ADVICE

**Cornwall Council Support for residents struggling with the cost of living;**

**Cornwall Council Winter wellbeing;**

**Fighting UK Poverty;**

**Benefits Calculator.**