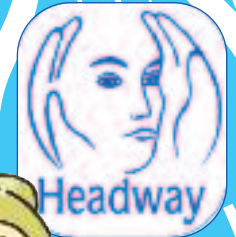


# NEWS

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*I have always enjoyed coming to Headway. The staff team are extremely helpful to everyone. Always a cheerful and caring crowd. I hope it long continues. Happy Easter to all from the 'old hen'!*

Jean Birch (Client)

## Calendar

**Sunday April 1** April Fools Day

**Friday 6 April** Good Friday  
Bank Holiday Day Ops Closed

**Monday 9 April** Easter Monday –  
Bank Holiday Day Ops Closed

**Sunday 15 April**  
Morrisons Fund raiser  
bag Pack 10am – 4pm

Worcester Half Marathon

**Thursday 19 April**  
Client Involvement Meeting  
10am @ Headway

**Sunday 22 April** London Marathon

**Monday 23 April** St George's Day

**Thursday 26 April**  
Safeguarding Meeting 10am @  
Headway Staff and Clients welcome

**Monday 7 May** Bank Holiday  
Day Ops Closed

**Tuesday 8 May**  
University Student Volunteers  
Recognition event at the Cricket Club

**Wednesday 9 May**  
Complaints Panel Meeting –  
12.30pm @ Headway

**Monday 14 May – 20th May**  
ABI week

**Wednesday 16 May**  
Equality and Diversity Meeting @  
Headway Staff and Clients welcome

**Thursday 24 May and  
Friday 25 May**  
Olympic Torch Celebrations in  
Worcester



## Headway Worcestershire

Headway Worcester Trust Ltd and Headway North Worcester will be working together more closely in the future so we can provide a better service to the whole of Worcestershire. The Trustees of both Headways are working together as one board now to make things more efficient. Clients should not notice any difference to the services they get (apart from a few improvements hopefully!).



## Morrisons Bag Pack!

**On Sunday 15th April 2012** Headway will be doing a sponsored bag pack at Morrisons supermarket in Malvern. The money we raise will go towards day trips and facilities directly benefitting clients. It is operating 10am – 4pm and we are looking for volunteers to come and help out for short shifts throughout the day. On average charities make about £700 – £1000 so it is a great opportunity. It will also get us noticed a bit too. Clients can help out but before turning up you will need to speak to Helen Dodd at the Day Opportunities who is organising the shifts.



**Don't forget that  
Inside Advocacy  
offer drop in sessions  
and will be at the  
Day Opportunities on  
12th April and  
10th May.**

## Student Volunteer Week:

Student volunteers from Worcester University were given a thank you by splashing their pictures across the Worcester News as part of Student Volunteering Week!

We would like to say a big thank you to all our volunteers, student volunteers and client volunteers for the amazing and valuable work they do for Headway



## Malvern Outreach

The Malvern Outreach Team and clients have had a very sad duty in bidding farewell to **Mr Barry Imms**, who retired on 29th February 2012 after 12 years of devoted service to Headway. Although this is really sad and there is no doubt he



will be missed, he had a fantastic send off, and the Team would like to thank everyone for their participation in making this a very special time for Barry.

**Scott** is delighted to announce that he is going to be a Daddy at the end of the Summer.

## Brickfields Bungalow

The Staff and tenants from Brickfields would like to say a huge goodbye to **Vicky** who left us back in February and we all wish her the best of luck in her new job. Vicky is missing us all so much she has already called in to check we are all ok! Good Luck Vicky.

We have also had to say goodbye to **June** for at least 6 weeks as she has been in hospital having a knee replacement. . . . We all wish her a very speedy recovery.



Spring has come early in Brickfields this year (well it feels that way). The Bungalow is full of beautiful flowers from **Jeans** family and friends which all arrived as gifts for Jean as she celebrated her birthday in early March. Jean spent time with her family and friends

on her birthday and celebrated at home with Emma and Stuart in the evening.

**Stuart** is busy at Top Barn Farm now that spring has begun, and he has been busy planting seeds and trees.

**Jean** has been making plans for a spa weekend away looking through the spa break brochures and deciding which one has the best pool/lifeguard! Jean is looking forward to a night out of the bungalow and a weekend of being pampered.

## Evesham Outreach

The team in Evesham would like to wish everyone a **Happy Easter**, we hope you have a lovely spring, and don't tire yourselves out with all of the spring cleaning!

Tenants at **Brick Kiln Street** are busy making plans for their Jubilee Courtyard Party in celebration of the Queens Jubilee in June. The Courtyard at Brick Kiln Street is starting to come to life with all of the daffodils and blossoms coming through, let's hope they don't fizzle out too early.

## Day Ops

**Helen and the team would like to say THANKS to all of our volunteers who have helped us. Rafe, James, Nigel, Perri, Michelle, Debbie, Sarah, Ann Stevens, Ann Smith, Claire, Simon, Charlotte Owen, Charlotte Parrett, Heidi and Hayley Slater, Rachel, Carole, Chris Tye and Chris Stanley, Vicky, Maria and Prague** without your help and expertise it would be a very difficult centre to run.

**Debbie** has been baking again and raised another £40 for Headway which was fantastic.



Headway sent some of the volunteers on a **fundraising course** and it has given us even more ideas so watch this space...

## ABI week

We are displaying some of the art work that the clients produce in the centre at the Arts Workshop as part of ABI week. The theme is water and it is hoped that it will raise a lot of awareness for Headway. Come down and have a look if you are in Worcester. It will run from the **21st April -20st May**.

## Charity Shop

**We need willing and able volunteers** to come and support client volunteers in the charity shop as part of their volunteer placements – for more information contact **Claire Wagstaff** on 01905 729729.

## Stourport

**Evette** would like to introduce everyone to the **Stourport Outreach** support workers, **Gerry Newton, Claire Rea, Katy Sallis and Don Hemmingway**. In addition I would like to introduce **Kate Charles** who is currently on maternity leave and recently gave birth to a healthy baby boy, well done Kate. Headway has recently seen lots of new referrals coming on to the books and the service is growing by the day. The Stourport base offers the same support that is currently on offer in South Worcestershire, having an outreach base that covers the whole of the North of the county. Evette and the team are pleased to be an active part of all those news stories.



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