

Issue 25





Connecting people with learning disabilities in Dorset



Who are People First Dorset?

We are a charity led and run by people with learning disabilities, with support from staff and volunteers.

We want to be independent, to have our voices heard and be included in community life.

How to contact us



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Welcome to the Connect Dorset Newsletter!



Inside you will find information about our meetings and events for January.



We usually send the newsletter every 2 months, but we will be sending it monthly over the winter.



This is because the number of Covid 19 infections is increasing.

So we need to be able to check the infection numbers and new guidance more frequently throughout the winter.



Then we can organise events that try to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Events Diary



Don't forget to fill up your diary with People First Dorset events!

Please book your place in advance.
See page 12 for information on booking events.

Bridport Events

Come and meet up with friends at local venues like pubs and cafes.



Event	Date and Time	Where
Art and Crafts	Tuesday 10 th January 6pm to 8pm	The Bull Hotel
Meal and Quiz	Tuesday 24 th January 6pm to 8pm	The Bull Hotel

Don't forget to let us know you are coming, see page 12.

Dorchester Events

Come and meet up with friends at local venues like pubs and cafes.



Event	Date and Time	Where
Art and Crafts	Tuesday 3 rd January 6pm to 8pm	The Junction Pub
Meal and Quiz	Tuesday 17 th January 6pm to 8pm	The Vivo Lounge
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North Dorset Events

Come and meet up with friends at local venues like pubs and cafes.



Tuesday 17th January The White Hart Pub



Don't forget to let us know you are coming, please see *page 12* for details of how to book.

Weymouth Events

Come and meet up with friends at local venues like pubs and cafes.



Event	Date and Time	Where
Art and Crafts	Tuesday 10 th January 6pm to 8pm	The Hardys Hophouse
Meal and Quiz	Tuesday 24 th January 6pm to 8pm	The Gurkha Restaurant

Don't forget to let us know you are coming, see page 12.

Weymouth Disco

Come and join us for a boogie to your favourite songs!



Date and Time	Where
Thursday 19 th January 7pm to 9pm	Centenary Club

Online Event

Have fun from home with our online quizzes and games.



Date and Time	Where
Monday 16 th January 6pm to 7pm	On Zoom

Singing Session

Come and sing along to familiar songs.
No auditions, anyone can join in!





It's a relaxed session, with time for tea and chat.



You don't have to be able to sing; you can hum, listen or sign instead.

Date and Time	Where
Thursday 12 th January	Dorford Centre,
6pm to 7.30pm	Dorchester

Speaking Up

Speaking Up Groups

Join in one of our groups to talk about what is important to you and build your confidence.



Area	Date and Time	Where
Bridport	Thursday 26 th January 2pm - 3.30pm	Bridport Youth Centre
Dorchester	Wednesday 11 th January 6pm - 7.30pm	Dorford Centre
Ferndown	Wednesday 11 th January 10am - 11.30pm	Ferndown Library
Swanage	Monday 30 th January 11am - 12.30pm	Learning Centre Durlston Park

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Area	Date and Time	Where
Verwood	Thursday 12 th January 11am - 12.30pm	Verwood Hub
Weymouth	Wednesday 25 th January 6pm - 7.30pm	Hope United Reformed Church

NEW Speaking Up Groups!

We have 2 new groups starting in January.



Area	Date and Time	Where
Wareham	Wednesday 25 th January 10am - 11.30am	Purbeck Connect Centre
Weymouth	Tuesday 3 rd January 11am - 12.30pm	Bethany Hall, Westham Road

Event Booking

Please let us know you are coming to our events!

There are lots of ways you can tell us which events you are coming to, you can:



Telephone the office.



Email the office.



Fill out the form on the next page.

Put a tick by the events you would like to come to, then post it back to us.



Fill out the form on our website. You will find the form on our homepage.

Booking Form

Name	••••••	•••••
Email	•••••	•••••
Telephone		•••••
Friendship Club		✓
Tuesday 10 th January	Bridport	
Tuesday 24 th January	Bridport	
Tuesday 3 rd January	Dorchester	
Tuesday 17th January	Dorchester	
Tuesday 17 th January	Sturminster	
Tuesday 10 th January	Weymouth	
Thursday 24 th January	Weymouth	
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Online Event		
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Please cut out the form, put it in an envelope and post to:

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You don't need a stamp.

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