

“Advonet”

Providing Independent advocacy
& related support”



Advocacy Services in Leeds Directory

3rd Edition

Advonet leads a consortium of advocacy providers in Leeds; other advocacy providers are also listed in this directory. These services have developed for different groups of people who feel they are being ignored, overlooked or treated badly.

You can contact the provider direct. However if you prefer or you are unsure which organisation you need, please contact our referrals administrator on **0113 244 0606**.

All the information in this directory is available on our website.
Please check the website for up-to-date information: **advonet.org.uk**



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Advonet - Articulate Advocacy IMCA

About the service The Leeds Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy Service (IMCA) is run by Articulate Advocacy, a subsidiary owned by Advonet.

Client Group Over 16s lacking capacity.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

Open times 8.30am – 5pm Monday – Friday.

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www.articulateadvocacy.com

Advonet – Bilingual Service

About the service This project provides a quality, culturally sensitive, independent, multi-lingual advocacy service, providing practical support to enable access to health and social care services, benefits and entitlements, housing, debt and financial inclusion services. The project helps clients to communicate their needs, fully understand their options, negotiate service provision and participate in their wider community with confidence and independence.

Client Group All black and minority ethnic communities including refugees, asylum seekers, Roma and other Eastern European communities. The project specialises in reaching ‘hard to reach’ elements of Black and Minority Ethnic communities (BME) including those with little or no English. Languages include Amharic, Arabic, Cantonese, Czech, Mandarin, Mirpuri, Pashto, Polish, Punjabi, Slovak, Somali, Tigrinya and Urdu and may vary over time.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

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Open times

Mon 10-3 appointments only.

Tues 10-12 drop-in, 12-3 apptmts.

Surgeries at other locations on other days, please ring for details.

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Advonet – Care Act Advocacy

About the service From April 1st 2015, the Care Act extended the right for eligible people to have independent advocacy to help them be actively involved in their care and support process. Care Act advocates will work with individuals to help them make their own decisions, will support people to understand the care and support process they will be involved in and to represent their wishes and feelings to inform discussions about their future care and support needs.

Client Group To be entitled to an independent advocate under the Care Act, a person must meet two conditions:

- The person has substantial difficulty in being fully involved with their assessment, care and support planning and review or safeguarding, and
- There is no one appropriate and available to support and represent their wishes.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

Open Times 9am – 5pm Monday – Friday.

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Advonet - Independent Health Complaints Advocacy

About the service The project provides general support with NHS complaints if people feel they have not had the service they expect from the NHS.

Client Group All NHS users.

Area Covered Leeds wide (people living in Leeds, regardless of where the NHS service was received).

Open times 9am – 5pm Monday – Friday.

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Advonet - Mental Health and Dementia

About the service These projects provide a range of independent advocacy and services for people experiencing mental distress including dementia. They work with people living in any area or setting within Leeds, including their own home, residential or nursing care, hostel or hospital. They can support people to speak up for themselves about any issue that is important to them. The project also provides the Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA) service under the Mental Health Act, including for those with a learning disability.

Client Group People experiencing mental distress including dementia.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

Open times 9am – 5pm Monday – Friday.

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Advonet - Learning Disability and Autism

About the service This project offers a variety of independent advocacy services to adults with a learning disability in the Leeds area. This includes citizen advocacy, sessional advocacy, crisis advocacy, advocacy for parents whose children are subject to care proceedings and advocacy group facilitation. Links can be made with Leeds People First, the self advocacy group. This service also facilitates the Asking You project.

Client Group People with learning disabilities.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

Open times 9am – 5pm Monday – Friday.

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Age UK Leeds

About the service Age UK Leeds advocacy service provides free, independent confidential support to enable older people to stand up for what they want in life, especially at times of major change. Our advocates work with older people to ensure they have their voice heard, know their rights, express their needs and can explain what they want. Issues supported include community care, hospital discharge, dealing with health authorities, care appeals, accessing legal advice, housing, nursing and residential homes, elder abuse and safeguarding.

Client Group People over 60.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

Opening times 9.00am – 4:00pm Monday to Friday.

Bradbury Building
Mark Lane
Leeds
LS2 8JA

To make a referral: 0113 244 0606
Phone: 0113 389 3009
Fax: 0113 245 3850
Email: advocacy@ageukleeds.org.uk
www.ageukleeds.org.uk

Basis Yorkshire (formerly Genesis)

About the service Basis Sex Work Project provides support, advocacy and information to women involved in, or wishing to exit, sex work via outreach and drop-in. Basis Young People's Project supports girls and young women experiencing or at risk of child sexual exploitation. Basis Yorkshire also run a project called Basis Historic CSE (Child Sexual Exploitation) for women over 18 who have experienced child sexual exploitation as a child.

Client Group Women involved in prostitution and girls experiencing child sexual exploitation.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

Opening times Drop-In Session Monday 1:30pm – 4:30pm.

Oxford Chambers
Oxford Place
Leeds
LS1 3AU

Phone: 0113 243 0036
Email: info-basis@yorkshire.org.uk
www.basisyorkshire.org.uk

Cloverleaf

About the service Cloverleaf Advocacy provides independent advocacy services in Leeds for people who have a physical or sensory impairment, stroke survivors or people with an acquired brain injury.

Client Group Anyone over 16 years old who has a physical or sensory impairment, is a stroke survivor or has an acquired brain injury.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

Head Office
9 Wellington Road
Dewsbury
WF13 1HF

To make a referral: 0113 244 0606
Cloverleaf office: 01924 454875
Email: advocacy@cloverleaf-advocacy.co.uk
www.cloverleaf-advocacy.co.uk

HALT Domestic Violence (Help, Advice & the Law Team)

About the service HALT reduces risk to victims and their families affected by domestic violence and abuse by giving legal advice, support and advocacy. HALT works in partnership with Leeds Women's Aid and Behind Closed Doors to deliver Leeds Domestic Violence Service (LDVS).

Client Group Women and men who have experienced domestic, sexual or Honour Based Violence, stalking and forced marriage.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

PO Box 332
Leeds
LS1 3RD

Agencies: 0113 244 2578
Referrals: 0113 246 0401
Clients: 0113 243 2632
Email: info@halt.org.uk
www.halt.org.uk

Leeds Black Elders Association

About the service Leeds Black Elders provides support to ensure elders stay in their homes as long as possible and acts as facilitator so that they can access appropriate services to improve the quality of their lives.

Client Group 55 years and upwards.

Area Covered Leeds 6,7,8 & 9 but has a Leeds wide remit to advocate on behalf of black elders.

3 Reginald Terrace
Leeds
LS7 3EZ

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Fax: 0113 237 4313
Email: info@lbea.co.uk
www.lbea.co.uk

Leeds Children's Rights Services

About the service We act as advocates for children and young people who are currently looked after/or have left the care of Leeds Social Care. We offer advocacy support to children and young people involved in Child Protection Conferences or who are on a Child In Need Plan. We also provide advocacy for young people converting from a Special Education Needs statement to an Education, Health and Care Plan.

Client Group Children and Young people.

Area Covered Leeds wide and other areas if required.

Barnardo's Leeds	Phone: 0113 239 5570
Children's Rights Service	Emergency out of hours: 07825 377 513
Low Wood	Freephone: 0800 652 7212
Clarence Road	(not free from mobiles)
Horsforth	Email:
Leeds	leedschildrensrightsservice@barnardos.co.uk
LS18 4LB	www.leedschildrensrights.org
	Twitter: @LCRS_Barnardos
	Facebook: Leeds Children's Rights

Leeds Gypsy and Traveller Exchange

About the service The advocacy service at Leeds GATE provides a frontline generalist advocacy service to Gypsy and Irish Traveller people including support specific to Gypsy and Irish Traveller people such as planning support.

Client Group Gypsy and Irish Traveller people.

Area Covered Leeds and UK wide (depending on service provided).

167-169 Cross Green Lane	Phone: 0113 240 2444
Leeds	Fax: 0113 248 5222
LS9 0BD	Email: info@leedsgate.co.uk
	www.leedsgate.co.uk

Stop Hate UK

About the service A 24-hour independent and confidential reporting and support service for people who experience Hate Crime.

Client Group Victims, witnesses and the family/friends of those who experience Hate Crime.

Area Covered Leeds wide.

PO Box 484
Leeds
LS7 9BZ

Phone: 0800 138 1625
Email: talk@stophateuk.org
www.stophateuk.org
Text: 07717 989025
Text relay: 18001 0800 138 1625
Web chat: www.stophateuk.org/talk
Online form: www.stophateuk.org/tell

Advonet Training and Resources

Advonet also promotes and supports advocacy services in Leeds. This includes providing regular training sessions on effective advocacy and negotiation skills. If you would like to attend this training or would like Advonet to run a course for your organisation, please contact us on **0113 244 0606**, or refer to our website for more information.

We also have a leaflet entitled 'What is Advocacy?'. Please contact Advonet if you would like some leaflets, require further copies of this directory or would like us to visit you to explain more about advocacy.



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